



# Office of General Services

## DIVISION OF FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

### ADDENDUM No.: 1

### REQUEST FOR QUOTE No.: 2299

**Date:** August 29, 2019

**Subject:** Questions and Answers

**Title:** Event Registration Services

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**To Prospective Bidders:** This addendum is being issued to provide answers to questions that were submitted during the question period for RFQ No. 2299, Event Registration Services.

Questions and Answers	
Q1	Whether companies from Outside USA can apply for this? (like, from India or Canada)
A1	Per RFQ Section 1.4 – Minimum Proposer Qualifications, Proposer must be a New York State Certified Minority/Women Owned Business Enterprises (M/WBE), Service Disabled Veteran Owned Business (SDVOB), or a New York State Small Business (SBE) to be considered a qualified proposer for this solicitation.
Q2	Whether we need to come over there for meetings?
A2	Onsite staffing is required for these events (Per RFQ Section 3.2.3 – Quote Format and Content, Experience and Operational Plan)
Q3	Can we perform the tasks (related to RFP) outside USA? (like, from India or Canada)
A3	No, refer to response A2.
Q4	Can we submit the proposal via email?

A4	No, proposals cannot be submitted via email (Per RFQ Section 3.5 – Instructions for Quote Submission).
Q5	Section 2.1(page 8 of 26) b. Maps of Floorplans and vendor Booth Selection for Exhibitors. Can you please tell us the estimated number of exhibit booths that would be involved?
A5	Approximately 300 booths located throughout three (3) separate areas.
Q6	Section 2.3 (page 9 of 26) Badges #7 - What type of holders are required? Pin on /Magnetic or are lanyards used? Who is responsible for purchasing the lanyards if used?
A6	Badge holder shall be, top load, vertical, clear, flexible vinyl, sized appropriately and proportionally to hold approved badge output with a center punched ½” horizontal oval opening that allows for the attachment of a bulldog clip lanyard. The purchase of the lanyard is the responsibility of the State.

**If submitting a proposal, this Addendum No. 1 for RFP No. 2299 must contain an original signature, be dated, attached to, and made a part of your proposal.**

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address (include City, State, Zip)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Proposer's Name (please print) Title

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Signature Date



# Office of General Services

**Request for Quote (RFQ) #2299**

**Solicited By**

**New York State Office of General Services**

**For**

**Event Registration Services**

**Issue Date: August 5, 2019**

**Bid Due Date: September 12, 2019 @ 2:00 PM**

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# 1. Introduction

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## 1.1 Overview

The Office of General Services (OGS) through Procurement Services, is seeking a vendor to provide a specifically designed web-based online registration, attendee management, and on-site project support for the 2020 and 2021 NY GovBuy events held at the Empire State Plaza in Albany New York.

## 1.2 Designated Contact

In compliance with the Procurement Lobbying Law, Sonya Stack, Contract Management Specialist I, NYS Office of General Services, Division of Financial Administration has been designated as the PRIMARY contact for this procurement solicitation and may be reached by email or voice for all inquiries regarding this solicitation.

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In the event the designated contact is not available; the alternate designated contacts are:

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### 1.3 Key Events

The Table below outlines the schedule for important action dates.

Event	Date	Time
OGS Issues Request for Quote (RFQ)	August 5, 2019	
Deadline for Submission of Proposers Questions	August 26, 2019	
OGS Issues Response to Written Questions via addenda (estimated)	August 29, 2019	
Quote Due Date	September 12, 2019	2:00 PM
Contract Start Date	Upon NYS Office of the State Comptroller approval	

### 1.4 Minimum Proposer Qualifications

Proposers bidding on this solicitation are advised that it is the State’s intent to ensure that only responsive, responsible, qualified and reliable Contractor(s) enter into a contract to perform the work as defined in this RFQ.

The State considers the following qualifications to be a pre-requisite in order to be considered as qualified proposer for purposes of the solicitation.

- **Proposer must be a New York State Certified Minority/Women Owned Business Enterprises (M/WBE), Service Disabled Veteran Owned Business (SDVOB), or a New York State Small Business (SBE).**

The State of New York retains the right to request any additional information pertaining to the Proposer's ability, qualifications, and procedures used to accomplish all work under this contract, as it deems necessary to ensure safe and satisfactory work.

### 1.5 Glossary of Terms

“Issuing Office” shall mean the Office of General Services Division of Financial Administration.

“Contractor” shall mean a successful company awarded a contract pursuant to this RFQ.

“Request for Quote” or “RFQ” shall mean this document.

The “State” shall mean The People of the State of New York, which shall also mean the New York State Office of General Services.

“Commissioner” shall mean the Commissioner of General Services or duly authorized representative.

“Proposer”, “Offeror” or “Bidder” shall mean any person, partnership, firm, corporation or other authorized entity submitting a bid to the State pursuant to this RFQ.



## 2. Scope of Work

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The Contractor must provide online in advance and on-site registration services for a three-day training event. The event known as NY GovBuy will be held once per year for two years at the Empire State Plaza in Albany New York. The 2020 NY GovBuy will be held Tuesday, May 12, 2020 through Thursday, May 14, 2020. The 2021 NY GovBuy will take place in the Spring of 2021.

The on-line registration service will comprise of two different types of registration; one for Attendees and one for Exhibitors. Attendee registration will comprise of a registrant providing contact information, choosing classes and receiving a confirmation. The Exhibitor registration will comprise of a business providing contact information, choosing a booth space from a real time floorplan, providing credit card information and receiving a confirmation/receipt. The Exhibitor registration shall also have the capability of adding an Exhibitor that does not require payment information to complete the transaction. The Contractor will be expected to be on-site at the Empire State Plaza in Albany, NY on each day of the event(s).

The customized event registration website must be able to go live at least five months prior to each scheduled event and must be able to accommodate approximately 2,500 participants (exhibitors, attendees and staff).

### 2.1 Web-Based Registration Services

1. The web-based registration services should include multiple registration paths:
  - a. Integrated Session Scheduling for Attendees (e.g., state agencies, local governments/schools and other authorized users) with the following fields:
    - i. Contact Information to include the following:
      1. Attendee Name;
      2. Title;
      3. Entity Name;
      4. Entity address;
      5. Business Phone;
      6. E-mail address.
    - ii. Entity type to include the following selections:
      1. State Government Agency;
      2. Local Government Agency;
      3. State University of New York (SUNY);
      4. State Association of Municipal Purchasing Officials (SAMPO)
      5. Boards of Cooperative Educational Services of New York State (BOCES);
      6. Other.
    - iii. The ability to choose one classroom session in multiple time slots over a two-day period;
    - iv. Description of classroom sessions;
    - v. Allow attendees to change their information and class selection prior to the registration closing date;
    - vi. Allow attendees to register to attend the Exhibition without attending classes.

- b. Maps or Floorplans and Vendor Booth Selection for Exhibitors (e.g. vendors, government agencies, preferred sources) with the following fields:
    - i. Contact information to include the following:
      1. Legal business name;
      2. Federal Identification Number;
      3. Billing address;
      4. Primary contact;
      5. Secondary contact;
      6. Phone;
      7. E-mail address;
      8. Website address.
    - ii. The ability to enter up to four exhibitor representatives for the event, along with the ability to edit/update representatives prior to the event. Representative Information to include:
      1. Name;
      2. Exhibitor Name;
      3. E-mail address;
      4. Phone number.
    - iii. The ability to select one or more of the following:
      1. NYS Certified Minority Business enterprise (MBE);
      2. NYS Certified Women Owned Business enterprise (WBE);
      3. Certified Service-Disabled Veterans-Owned Business (SDVOB);
      4. NYS OGS Contractor including fields for the contract number and contract expiration date.
    - iv. Choice of booth selection through real time floorplans.
    - v. Payment shall be directed to OGS payment processor (Refer to 2.d below). Payment is required to complete registration.
  - c. Registration for event staff.
2. Cvent Software or equivalent which shall include online in-advance registration capabilities and self-service check-in at the event. Registration shall be accessible from any type of device/browser (i.e. laptop, mobile device etc.).
- a. Registration software shall:
    - i. Develop and maintain a NY GovBuy website with separate registration requirements for Attendees, Exhibitors and Staff;
    - ii. Allow multiple registrants access to the website at the same time;
    - iii. Provide confirmation e-mails of completed registration with summary of all completed fields and receipt of payment (if applicable);
    - iv. Include the ability to cap off classroom registration at pre-determined limits;

- v. Include the ability to change assigned classroom locations based on pre-registration levels;
  - vi. Allow real-time exhibitor booth selection.
- b. Allow for a minimum of two login permissions to the registration platform to allow full access to create and edit content, view, perform registration revisions and updates, and run various reports, etc.
  - c. Allow for a minimum of six additional login permissions for read/write access to database and obtain reports.
  - d. Credit Card (Visa/MasterCard/Discover and American Express) acceptance and transaction payment processing through the OGS Centralized Contracts for Electronic Value Transfer (EVT) and /or Payment Processing Services (OGS to determine which contracts will be utilized and provided to awarded Contractor). **Note:** No payment information shall be kept by the awarded Contractor, other than notification that transaction was accepted/finalized.
  - e. Create a URL for each GovBuy Event.

## 2.2 Reporting

OGS shall have access to retrieve real-time data for all information completed by attendees and exhibitors through customized daily reports. These reports shall contain all information completed by the attendees and exhibitors. Reporting function shall readily allow OGS to provide duplicate receipts for exhibitors and schedule confirmations for attendees.

## 2.3 Badges

1. Contractor will supply at least 2,500 badges allowing for extras if needed.
2. Badges will be printed on-site during check-in, during the days of the event.
3. Badges shall be printed vertically on 3" X 4" white stock paper provided by the vendor.
4. The face of the badge will display the current year and NY GovBuy event branding on the top of the badge.
5. Attendee/Exhibitor's name on the first line and agency/business name on the 2<sup>nd</sup> line in the middle of the badge.
6. QR code(s) and event sponsor logos on the bottom of the badge.
7. Contractor will supply badge holders.

## 2.4 On-Site Service During the Days of GovBuy Event

1. Required on-site hardware:
  - A minimum of 10 check-in kiosks /tablets with corresponding badge printers;
  - A minimum of 10 hand-held badge scanners/smart phones to read QR Code;
  - All other supplies and equipment necessary for the operation of equipment.
2. Two (2) on-site Technical Support Coordinators and one (1) on-site Event Coordinator;

3. Contractor must have the capability to provide their own Wi-Fi hotspot for their networking equipment;
4. OGS *may* provide hardwire connection for the internet access.

Set-up must be coordinated with OGS. The Contractor shall provide OGS with all specifications and requirements for site preparation necessary for delivery and set-up within a reasonable time to allow OGS to timely complete site preparation work.

## **2.5 White-Label Mobile App**

The White-Label Mobile App must be integrated with registration software and shall, at a minimum, be capable of the following:

- Allowing full OGS Procurement branding;
- Display event schedules;
- Push notifications;
- Live updates;
- Gamification;
- Provide live polling;
- Optional provision for Lead Capture capability.

## **2.6 Contractors Compensatory Liability**

In the event that the Contractor fails to complete any of the specified services within the timeframe required, OGS reserves the right to have such work completed either by another Contractor or with in-house staff. In any such event, the Contractor shall be liable to reimburse OGS for all costs incurred to complete the work. OGS further reserves the right to collect such reimbursement from any outstanding payments due to the Contractor.

### 3. Quote Submission

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#### 3.1 RFQ Questions and Clarifications

There will be an opportunity for submission of questions and/or requests for clarification. Questions and/or clarifications must be submitted via email to the following Designated Contact:

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OGS Division of Financial Administration / Agency Procurement Office  
32nd Floor, Corning Tower Bldg., Empire State Plaza  
Albany, New York 12242  
Phone: 1-518-486-7649  
Email: [Sonya.Stack@ogs.ny.gov](mailto:Sonya.Stack@ogs.ny.gov)

All questions should cite the specific page, section, and paragraph number, where applicable. Please submit questions as early as possible following receipt of the RFQ. The final deadline for submission of any questions/clarifications regarding this RFQ is stated in Section 1.3 – Key Events. Questions received after the deadline may not be answered. OGS will distribute an addendum with all Questions and Responses to Questions via email and by posting the addendum to the OGS Bid Calendar on or about the date listed in Section 1.3 – Key Events.

#### 3.2 Quote Format and Content

In order for the State to evaluate quotes fairly and completely, proposers are strongly encouraged to follow the format set forth herein and should provide all of the information requested. All items requested in this submission section should be provided and addressed as clearly as possible. Failure to conform to the stated requirements may necessitate rejection of the quote.

Proposers are encouraged to include all information that may be deemed pertinent to their proposal. Proposers may be requested to provide clarification based on the State's evaluation procedure. Any clarification will be considered a formal part of the Proposer's original quote. If further clarification is needed during the evaluation period, OGS will contact the Proposer.

Note: OGS reserves the right to request any additional information deemed necessary to ensure that the Proposer is able to fulfill the requirements of the contract.

1. **Cover Letter.** The cover letter should confirm that the Proposer understands all the terms and conditions contained in this RFQ and will comply with all the provisions of this RFQ. Further, should the contract be awarded to your company, you would be prepared to begin services on the date stated on Section 1.3 - Key Events. The cover letter should include the full contact information of the person(s) OGS shall contact regarding the quote. A proposer representative authorized to make contractual obligations must sign the cover letter.
2. **Minimum Qualifications.** Proposers must submit sufficient information to prove their ability to meet the minimum qualifications as set forth in Section 1.4 – Minimum Qualifications.
3. **Experience and Operational Plan.** Proposers must describe their capabilities to provide the services requested in this RFQ by providing the following:
  - A description of Proposer's experience providing on-line registration services
  - A staffing plan for the events. Include number of staff and their responsibilities, including estimated schedules.

- A list of at least three references where similar services were provided. Include company name, location and contact information
  - Description of software to be used and proof of software license or licensing agreement. If other than Cvent, describe any functional differences.
- 4. Quote Proposal.** Proposer shall submit a completed Attachment 1 - Quote Proposal Form. Each item must be complete with no lines omitted. Proposer shall not provide alternative pricing or deviate from the Cost Proposal form. Alternative pricing methodologies will not be considered and may result in the rejection of the bid.
- 5. Administration Submission.** All required completed forms from RFQ Appendix B and any signed addenda.

Important Notes:

- Insurance – Proposers are reminded of the insurance requirements as described in Appendix D. The selected Proposer will be required to provide all necessary documentation upon notification of selection.
- M/WBE & EEO Requirements- Proposers are reminded of the requirements as described in Appendix E.
- Document Consistency - An award will only be made to the entity which has submitted a bid. All submitted documents must be consistent with official name of bidding entity, FEIN and NYS Vendor ID number.

**Note:** OGS reserves the right to request any additional information deemed necessary to ensure that the proposer is able to fulfill all the requirements of the contract.

### 3.3 Quote Preparation

All quotes must be completed in ink or machine produced. Quotes submitted handwritten in pencil will be disqualified.

### 3.4 Packaging of RFQ Response

Please complete and submit three originals of Attachment 1 - Quote Proposal Form.

Please complete and submit one original and two copies of each document found in Appendix B - Required Forms, as well as any addenda.

**Please provide one digital copy containing the above submission items on a thumb drive.** If there are any differences between the paper submission and the electronic submission, the paper submission shall take precedence.

Originals contain a unique wet signature for each of the signed and notarized pages. Copies can be photocopied and do not require a unique wet signature.

- The quote documents must be submitted by mail, hand delivery, overnight carrier or certified mail in a package showing the following information on the outside:
- Proposer's complete name and address
- Solicitation Number: Request for Quote No. – 2299

- Quote Due Date and Time: Same as in Section 1.3 - Key Events
- Quote is for – Event Registration Services
- Attention: Sonya Stack

Failure to complete all information on the bid envelope and/or packages may necessitate the premature opening of the bid and may compromise confidentiality.

### **3.5 Instructions for Quote Submission**

**Note that these instructions supersede the generic instructions posted on the OGS website bid calendar.**

Only those Proposers who furnish all required information and meet the mandatory requirements will be considered. Submit all required bid documents including bid addenda, if any, to the OGS Division of Financial Administration at the following address:

NYS Office of General Services  
Division of Financial Administration / Agency Procurement Office  
32nd Floor, Corning Tower, Empire State Plaza  
Albany, NY 12242  
RFQ #2299  
Attn: Sonya Stack

#### **E-MAIL OR FAX QUOTE SUBMISSIONS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE AND WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

The State of New York will not be held liable for any cost incurred by the Proposer for work performed in the preparation and production of a quote or for any work performed prior to the formal execution and approval of a contract.

Quotes must be received in the above office on or before 2:00 PM on the date indicated in Section 1.3 Key Events. Proposers assume all risks for timely, properly submitted deliveries. Proposers mailing their quote must allow sufficient mail delivery time to ensure receipt of their quote at the specified location no later than the specified date and time.

The received time of quotes will be determined by the clock at the above noted location.

**Any Quote received at the designated location after the established time will be considered a Late Quote. A Late Quote may be rejected and disqualified from award. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Late Quote may be accepted in the Commissioner's sole discretion where (i) no timely Quotes meeting the requirements of the Solicitation are received, or (ii) the Proposer has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that the Late Quote was caused solely by factors outside the control of the Proposer. However, in no event will the Commissioner be under any obligation to accept a Late Quote.**

**The basis for any determination to accept a Late Quote shall be documented in the procurement record.**

Quotes must remain open and valid for 180 days from the due date, unless the time for awarding the contract is extended by mutual consent of NYS OGS and the Proposer. A quote shall continue to remain an effective offer, firm and irrevocable, subsequent to such 180 day period until either tentative award of the contract(s) by issuing Office is made or withdrawal of the quote in writing by Proposer. Tentative award of the contract(s) shall consist of written notice to that effect by the issuing Office to the successful Proposer. This RFQ remains

the property of the State at all times, and all responses to this RFQ, once delivered, become the property of the State.

**Important Building Access Procedures for Delivered Quotes :**

Building Access procedures are in effect at the Corning Tower. Photo identification is required. All visitors must register for building access, for delivering quotes. **Vendors are encouraged to pre-register by contacting the OGS Finance Office at 518-474-5981 at least 24 hours prior to arrival.** Pre-registered visitors are to report to the visitor desk located at the Concourse level of the Corning Tower. Upon presentation of appropriate photo identification, the visitor will be allowed access to the building.

Upon arrival at the visitor desk, visitors that have not pre-registered will be directed to a designated phone to call the OGS Finance Office. The Finance Office will then enter the visitor's information into the building access system. Access will not be allowed until the system has been updated. Visitors are encouraged to pre-register to ensure timely access to the building. Vendors who intend to deliver bids or conduct business with OGS should allow extra time to comply with these procedures. These procedures may change or be modified at any time.

Visitor parking information can be viewed at the following OGS web site:

<https://empirestateplaza.ny.gov/parking>



## 4. Administrative Information

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### 4.1 Issuing Office

This RFQ is being released by the New York State Office of General Services Division of Financial Administration on behalf of OGS Procurement Services.

### 4.2 Method of Award

Award shall be made to the responsive and responsible proposer who represents the best value to the State based on experience, qualifications, cost, operational plan, and possible interview/demonstration.

The State may request an interview/demonstration via webinar, which will be held on a date and time to be designated by OGS. The interview/demonstration should be attended by the Proposers' officers/employees who will be responsible for administering any contract resulting from this solicitation. This is not an opportunity to introduce supplemental submission information. Rather, the Proposer will be requested to demonstrate their proposed computer system functionality and provide clarifications to their submitted proposal. The evaluators will ask questions related to the scope of the proposal.

Upon determination of the best value, responsive and responsible quote, a contract will be delivered to the successful proposer for signature and shall be returned to the Issuing Office for all necessary State approvals. Upon final approval, a completely executed contract will be delivered to the proposer. Any resulting contract will be capped at \$200,000.00. Any proposal received over this amount will not be considered. The "Grand Total Quote Amount" of the successful proposer shall be used to establish the total contract value. Quotes exceeding this amount will not be considered.

A discount for early payment does not affect bid amounts nor is it considered in making awards, except that a discount may be considered in resolving tie bids.

### 4.3 Price

The Contractor's quoted price shall be inclusive of all: labor and equipment cost; administrative, reporting or other requirements; overhead costs and profit; travel; shipping to and from Albany NY; licenses; insurance; and any other ancillary costs. Details of service not explicitly stated in these specifications, but necessarily attendant thereto are deemed to be understood by the Contractor and included herein. The total value of this contract shall be capped at \$200,000.00. The established contract value shall not be exceeded.

All Proposers must submit their cost for both annual events using Attachment 1 – Quote Proposal Form. Any additions, exceptions, incompleteness, altering qualifiers, assumptions, ranges, clarifications, etc. to the cost proposal form may result in rejection of the proposal.

Price shall be represented as an all-inclusive lump sum for each year / event.

If the Contractor offers an early payment discount for payments made in less than 30 days after receipt of a proper invoice, please detail the discount by providing, in the appropriate place on the Attachment 1 - Quote Proposal Form, the percentage of discount and the specific number of days within which the payment must be made for the discount to apply. If Proposer offers multiple discounts, please provide the details for each discount offered (for example: 2%/15 days; 1%/20 days).

The State of New York will not be held liable for any cost incurred by proposers for work performed in the preparation and production of a bid or for any work performed prior to the formal execution and approval of a contract.



claimed to have waived. No waiver of any breach of the Agreement at any time in the past shall constitute a waiver of subsequent breach.

## **4.8 Exceptions and Extraneous Terms**

The Issuing Office will consider all requests to waive any solicitation requirement. The Term “solicitation requirement” as used herein shall include any and all terms and conditions included in the solicitation documents. Proposers should be aware that failure to obtain a waiver of any quote requirement in advance of bid submission, and/or inclusion of extraneous terms in the form of exceptions, assumptions, qualifiers, ranges, modifications, etc. with bid submission, may result in rejection of Proposer’s quote and disqualification from the bidding process.

Proposers wishing to obtain an exemption or waiver for any part of this solicitation must contact the Issuing Office in writing by the ‘Questions Due Date’ as identified in Section 1.3 - Key Events. The request must cite the specific section and requirement in question, and clearly identify any proposed alternative. Requests will be considered and responded to in writing, either with the ‘Answers to Questions’ as identified in Key Events (if the response results in a change to the RFQ), or directly to the requesting vendor.

## **4.9 Dispute Resolution**

It is the policy of the Office of General Services’ Financial Administration to provide vendors with an opportunity to administratively resolve disputes, complaints or inquiries related to quote solicitations, contract awards, and contract administration. OGS Financial Administration encourages vendors to seek resolution of disputes informally, through consultation with OGS Financial Administration staff, prior to commencing a formal dispute process. All such matters will be accorded full, impartial and timely consideration. A copy of the OGS Financial Administration Dispute Resolution Procedures for Vendors may be obtained by contacting the designated contact person identified in the solicitation.

During the term of the contract, if either party notifies the other of a dispute or dissatisfaction, the other party will make a good faith effort to solve or settle dispute amicably, including meeting with the other party to diligently attempt to reach a satisfactory result. In the event of a dispute, the parties will continue to fulfill their obligations hereunder during the dispute resolution process. The parties agree to proceed in good faith to avoid disputes, and resolve disputes that cannot be avoided at the lowest level possible. If party representatives are unable to resolve the dispute or reach a satisfactory result within twenty days of written notice of a dispute, the dispute will be referred to successive higher levels of each organization for final decision.

## **4.10 Examination of Contract Documents**

1. Each Proposer is under an affirmative duty to inform itself by personal examination of the specifications of the proposed work and by such other means as it may select, of the character, quality and extent of the work to be performed and the conditions under which the contract is to be executed.
2. Each Proposer shall examine specifications and all other data or instruction pertaining to the work. No pleas of ignorance of conditions that may be encountered or of any other matter concerning the work to be performed in the execution of the contract will be accepted by the state as an excuse for any failure or omission on the part of the Proposer to fulfill every detail of all the requirements of the documents governing the work. The Proposer, if awarded the contract, will not be allowed any extra compensation by reason of any matter or thing concerning which such Proposer might have fully informed itself prior to submitting a proposal.
3. Any Proposer in doubt as to the true meaning of any part of the specification or the proposed contract documents shall submit to Sonya Stack, Division of Financial Administration / Agency Procurement Office,

32nd Floor, Corning Tower Building, Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12242 e-mail: [Sonya.Stack@ogs.ny.gov](mailto:Sonya.Stack@ogs.ny.gov) a written request for an interpretation thereof. If a major change is involved to which all proposers must be informed, such request for interpretation shall be delivered, in writing, no later than question due date listed in Section 1.3 - Key Events. Any interpretation of the proposed documents will be made only by an addendum duly issued.

4. Any addendum issued prior to the quote due date must be acknowledged by signature, dated and be submitted on or before the quote due date with one original and two copies. In awarding a contract, any addenda will become a part thereof.
5. Any verbal information obtained from, or statements made by, representatives of the Commissioner of General Services at the time of examination of the documents or site shall not be construed as in any way amending contract documents. Only such corrections or addenda as are issued, in writing, to all Proposers shall become a part of the contract.

#### **4.11 Prime Contractor Responsibilities**

The State will contract only with the successful Proposer who is the Prime Contractor. The Issuing Office considers the Prime Contractor, the sole Contractor with regard to all provisions of the RFQ, and the contract resulting from the RFQ.

No subcontract entered into by the Contractor shall relieve the Contractor of any liabilities or obligations in this RFQ or the resultant contract. The Contractor accepts full responsibility for the actions of any employee or subcontractor who carry out any of the provisions of any contract resulting from this RFQ.

#### **4.12 Rules of Construction**

Words of the masculine and feminine genders shall be deemed and construed to include the neuter gender. Unless the context otherwise indicates, the singular number shall include the plural number and vice versa, and words importing persons shall include corporations and associations, including public bodies, as well as natural persons. The terms "hereby," "hereof," "hereto," "herein," "hereunder," and any similar terms, as used in this RFQ, refer to this RFQ.

## 5. Contract Clauses and Requirements

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### 5.1 Appendix A / Order of Precedence

Appendix A — Standard Clauses for New York State Contracts, dated January 2014, attached hereto, is hereby expressly made a part of this solicitation document as fully as if set forth at length herein.

The contract resulting from a successful award will include the following documents. Conflicts between these documents will be resolved in the following descending order of precedence:

1. Appendix A (dated January 2014)
2. Contract Service Agreement
3. Solicitation Number 2299 (This document including all appendices and any addenda)
4. Selected Contractor's Quote including Quote Proposal Form (Attachment 1)

### 5.2 Procurement Lobbying Requirement

Pursuant to State Finance Law §§139-j and 139-k, this solicitation includes and imposes certain restrictions on communications between OGS and an Offerer/Proposer during the procurement process. A Proposer is restricted from making contacts from the earliest notice of intent to solicit offers/quotes through final award and approval of the Procurement Contract by OGS and, if applicable, 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 and in Section 1.2 – Designated Contact. OGS employees are also required to obtain certain information when contacted during the restricted period and make a determination of the responsibility of the Proposer 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 Proposer is debarred from obtaining governmental Procurement Contracts. Further information about these requirements can be found on the OGS website: <http://ogs.ny.gov/default.asp>

### 5.3 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 exception 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 EXCEPT SUCH INFORMATION FROM DISCLOSURE. SUCH REQUEST MUST BE IN WRITING, MUST STATE THE REASONS WHY THE INFORMATION SHOULD BE EXCEPTED FROM DISCLOSURE, AND MUST BE PROVIDED AT THE TIME OF SUBMISSION OF THE SUBJECT INFORMATION.**

**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.**

## 5.4 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 (“SDVOBs”), thereby further integrating such businesses into New York State’s economy. OGS 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 OGS 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, Proposers/Contractors are strongly encouraged and 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.

For purposes of this procurement, OGS conducted a comprehensive search and determined that the Contract does not offer sufficient opportunities to set specific goals for participation by SDVOBs as subcontractors, service providers, and suppliers to Contractor. Nevertheless, Proposer/Contractor is encouraged to make good faith efforts to promote and assist in the participation of SDVOBs on the Contract for the provision of services and materials. The directory of New York State Certified SDVOBs can be viewed at: [http://ogs.ny.gov/Core/docs/CertifiedNYS\\_SDVOB.pdf](http://ogs.ny.gov/Core/docs/CertifiedNYS_SDVOB.pdf)

Proposer/Contractor is encouraged to contact the Division of Service-Disabled Veteran’s Business Development at 518-474-2015 or [VeteransDevelopment@ogs.ny.gov](mailto:VeteransDevelopment@ogs.ny.gov) to discuss methods of maximizing participation by SDVOBs on the Contract.

## 5.5 General Requirements

1. The Proposer agrees to adhere to all State and Federal laws and regulations in connection with the contract.
2. The Proposer agrees to notify the Office of General Services of any changes in the legal status or principal ownership of the firm, 45 days in advance of said change.
3. The Proposer agrees that in any contract resulting from this RFQ it shall be completely responsible for its work, including any damages or breakdowns caused by its failure to take appropriate action.
4. The Proposer agrees that any contract resulting from this RFQ may not be assigned, transferred, conveyed or the work subcontracted without the prior written consent of the Commissioner of General Services.
5. For reasons of safety and public policy, in any contract resulting from this RFQ, 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. For purposes of any contract resulting from this RFQ, the State will not be liable for any expense incurred by the Contractor for any parking fees or as a consequence of any traffic infraction or parking violations attributable to employees of the Contractor.
7. OGS interpretation of specifications shall be final and binding upon the Contractor.
8. The Commissioner of General Services will make no allowance or concession to the Proposer for any alleged misunderstanding because of quantity, quality, character, location or other conditions.

9. 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 Proposer has based its bid on the more expensive option. Final decision will rest with the Commissioner of General Services.
10. **INSPECTION** – For purposes of any contract resulting from this RFQ, 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 of the Office of General Services 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.
11. **STOP WORK ORDER** - OGS reserves the right to stop the work covered by this RFQ and any contract(s) resulting there from at any time that it is deemed the Contractor is unable or incapable of performing the work to the State's satisfaction. In the event of such stopping, OGS 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 proposal, the Contractor shall be liable to the State of New York for any such costs on account thereof. In the event that OGS issues a stop work order for the work as provided herein, the Contractor shall have ten working days to respond thereto before any such stop work order shall become effective. Provided, however, that if an emergency situation exists, as reasonably determined by OGS, then the stop work order shall be effective immediately.
12. OGS reserves the right to reject and bar from the facility any employee hired by the Contractor.

## **5.6 Contract Terms**

All provisions and requirements of, Appendix A, Standard Clauses for New York State Contracts (dated January 2014), which is attached hereto and forms a part hereof, will be incorporated into any contract resulting from this RFQ, and will be binding upon the parties to such contract.

All provisions and requirements, which are attached hereto and form a part hereof, will be incorporated into any contract resulting from this RFQ, and will be binding upon the parties to such contract.

It is stipulated and agreed by the parties that the law of the State of New York shall solely and in all respects govern with relation to any dispute, litigation, or interpretation arising out of or connected with any contract resulting from this RFQ.

Any contract resulting from this RFQ shall not be deemed executed, valid or binding unless and until approved in writing by the Attorney General and the Comptroller of the State of New York.

## **5.7 Procurement Rights**

The State of New York reserves the right to:

1. Reject any and all quotes received in response to this Solicitation.
2. Disqualify a Proposer from receiving the award if the Proposer, or anyone in the Proposer's employ, has previously failed to perform satisfactorily in connection with public bidding or contracts.
3. Correct Proposers' mathematical errors and waive or modify other minor irregularities in quotes received, after prior notification to the Proposer.
4. Adjust any Proposer's expected costs of the bid price based on a determination of the evaluation committee that the selection of the said Proposer will cause the State to incur additional costs.

5. Utilize any and all ideas submitted in the quotes received.
6. Negotiate with Proposers 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) in order to serve the best interests of the State of New York should the State of New York be unsuccessful in negotiating a contract with the selected Contractor within 21 days of selection notification.
8. Waive any non-material requirement not met by all Proposers.
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 quotes.
14. Disqualify any Proposer whose conduct and/or quote fails to conform to the requirements of the RFQ.
15. Prior to the bid opening, amend the RFQ specifications to correct errors or oversights, or to supply additional information, as it becomes available.
16. Waive any requirements that are not material.
17. If two or more quotes are found to be substantially equivalent, the Commissioner of OGS, at their sole discretion, will determine award using the pre-established process. For best value procurements, cost will be the determining factor.

**Please Note:** The State is not liable for any cost incurred by a Proposer in the preparation and production of a quote or for any work performed prior to the issuance of a contract.

## 5.8 Extent of Services

OGS reserves the right to re-negotiate at its discretion, to reduce the amount of services provided under any contract resulting from this solicitation. This reduction in services shall be effectuated by written amendment to the contract and subject to approval by the Office of the State Comptroller.

## 5.9 Debriefings

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

## 5.10 Termination

### A. Termination

The Office of General Services may, upon thirty (30) days' notice, terminate the contract resulting from this RFQ in the event of the awarded Proposer's failure to comply with any of the proposal's requirements unless the awarded Proposer obtained a waiver of the requirement.

In addition, OGS may also terminate any contract resulting from this RFQ upon ten (10) days written notice if the Contractor makes any arrangement for the assignment for the benefit of creditors.



Furthermore, OGS shall have the right, in its sole discretion, at any time to terminate a contract resulting from this RFQ, or any unit portion thereof, with or without cause, by giving thirty (30) days written notice of termination to the Contractor.

### **B. Procurement Lobbying Termination**

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

### **C. Effect of Termination**

Any termination by OGS under this Section shall in no event constitute or be deemed a breach of any contract resulting from this RFQ and no liability shall be incurred by or arise against the Office of General Services, its agents and employees therefore for lost profits or any other damages.

## **5.11 New York State Vendor File Registration**

Prior to being awarded a contract pursuant to this RFQ, the Proposer(s) 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 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 Proposer is already registered in the New York State Vendor File, list the ten-digit vendor ID number on the Contractor Information page included in Appendix B of this solicitation.

If the Proposer is not currently registered in the Vendor File and is recommended for award, OGS shall request completion of OSC Substitute W-9 Form. A fillable form with instructions can be found at the link below. The Office of General Services will initiate the vendor registration process for all Proposers recommended for Contract Award. 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: [www.osc.state.ny.us/vendors/index.htm](http://www.osc.state.ny.us/vendors/index.htm).

**Form to be completed:** [www.osc.state.ny.us/vendors/forms/ac3237s\\_fe.pdf](http://www.osc.state.ny.us/vendors/forms/ac3237s_fe.pdf)

## **5.12 Ethics Compliance**

All Proposers/contractors and their employees must comply with the requirements of §§73 and 74 of the Public Officers Law, other state codes, rules, regulations, and executive orders establishing ethical standards for the conduct of business with New York State. In signing the Contract, the Contractor certifies full compliance with those provisions for any present or future dealings, transactions, sales, contracts, services, offers, relations, etc., involving New York State and/or its employees. Failure to comply with those provisions may result in disqualification from the bidding process, termination of contract, and/or other civil or criminal proceedings as required by law.

## **5.13 Sexual Harassment Prevention**

Pursuant to N.Y. State Finance Law § 139-l, 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 proposer 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 N.Y. State Labor Law § 201-g.

N.Y. 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 N.Y. 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 N.Y. State Finance Law § 139-l, any Proposal by a corporate proposer containing the certification required above shall be deemed to have been authorized by the board of directors of such Proposer, 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 Proposer.

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

The certification required above can be found on Appendix B – NYS Required Certifications, which Proposer must submit with its bid

## **5.14 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. Such indemnity shall not be limited to the insurance coverage herein prescribed.

## **5.15 Force Majeure**

Neither party hereto will be liable for losses, defaults, or damages under any contract resulting from this solicitation which result from delays in performing, or inability to perform, all or any of the obligations or responsibilities imposed upon it pursuant to the terms and conditions of this solicitation, due to or because of acts of God, the public enemy, acts of government, earthquakes, floods, strikes, civil strife, fire or any other cause beyond the reasonable control of the party that was so delayed in performing or so unable to perform provided that such party was not negligent and shall have used reasonable efforts to avoid and overcome such cause. Such party will resume full performance of such obligations and responsibilities promptly upon removal of any such cause.

## **5.16 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, proposers/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.

Proposers/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, proposers/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 proposers/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.

## **5.17 Information Security Breach**

In accordance with the Information and Security Breach Notification Act (ISBNA) (Chapter 442 of the Laws of 2005, as amended by Chapter 491 of the Laws of 2005), a Contractor with OGS shall be responsible for all applicable provisions of the ISBNA and the following terms herein with respect to any private information (as defined in the ISBNA) received by or on behalf of OGS under this Contract.

- Contractor shall supply OGS with a copy of its notification policy, which shall be modified to be in compliance with this provision, as well as OGS's notification policy.
- Contractor must encrypt any database fields and backup tapes that contain private data elements, as set forth in the ISBNA.
- Contractor must ensure that private data elements are encrypted in transit to / from their systems.
- In general, Contractor must ensure that private data elements are not displayed to users on computer screens or in printed reports; however, specific users who are authorized to view the private data elements and who have been properly authenticated may view/receive such data.
- Contractor must monitor for breaches of security to any of its systems that store or process private data owned by OGS.
- Contractor shall take all steps as set forth in ISBNA to ensure private information shall not be released without authorization from OGS.
- In the event a security breach occurs as defined by ISBNA Contractor shall immediately notify OGS and commence an investigation in cooperation with OGS to determine the scope of the breach.
- Contractor shall also take immediate and necessary steps needed to restore the information security system to prevent further breaches.

- Contractor shall immediately notify OGS following the discovery that OGS's system security has been breached.
- Unless the Contractor is otherwise instructed, Contractor is to first seek consultation and receive authorization from OGS prior to notifying the individuals whose personal identity information was compromised by the breach of security, the New York State Chief Information Security Office, the Department of State Division of Consumer Protection, the Attorney General's Office or any consuming reporting agencies of a breach of the information security system or concerning any determination to delay notification for law enforcement investigations.
- Contractor shall be responsible for providing all notices required by the ISBNA and for all costs associated with providing said notices.
- This policy and procedure shall not impair the ability of the Attorney General to bring an action against the Contractor to enforce all provisions of the ISBNA or limit the Contractor's liability for any violations of the ISBNA.

**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 \$10,000, 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 Section 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 because of race, creed, color, sex (including gender identity or expression), national origin, sexual orientation, military status, age, disability, predisposing genetic characteristics, marital status or domestic violence victim status. 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-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 (2NYCRR 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. RECORDS.** 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 143, if this contract is: (i) a written agreement or purchase order instrument, providing for a total expenditure in excess of \$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 section. 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. CONFLICTING TERMS.** 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 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](mailto: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: [mwbecertification@esd.ny.gov](mailto:mwbecertification@esd.ny.gov)  
<https://ny.newnycontracts.com/FrontEnd/VendorSearchPublic.asp>

The Omnibus Procurement Act of 1992 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) require that they be denied contracts which they would otherwise obtain. NOTE: As of May 15, 2002, the list of discriminatory jurisdictions subject to this provision includes the states of South Carolina, Alaska, West Virginia, Wyoming, Louisiana and Hawaii. Contact NYS Department of Economic Development for a current list of jurisdictions subject to this provision.

**22. COMPLIANCE WITH NEW YORK STATE INFORMATION SECURITY BREACH AND NOTIFICATION ACT.** Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the New York State Information Security Breach and Notification Act (General Business Law Section 899-aa; State Technology Law Section 208).

**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.

**24. PROCUREMENT LOBBYING.** To the extent this agreement is a "procurement contract" as defined by State Finance Law Sections 139-j and 139-k, by signing this agreement the contractor certifies and affirms that all disclosures made in accordance with State Finance Law Sections 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. CERTIFICATION OF REGISTRATION TO COLLECT SALES AND COMPENSATING USE TAX BY CERTAIN STATE CONTRACTORS, AFFILIATES AND SUBCONTRACTORS.**

To the extent this agreement is a contract as defined by Tax Law Section 5-a, if the contractor fails to make the certification required by Tax Law Section 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:  
<http://www.ogs.ny.gov/about/regs/docs/ListofEntities.pdf>

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.

## **Solicitation**

### RFQ Appendix B – Required Forms

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The following required forms are to be submitted with the proposer's proposal. The forms include:

- Contractor Information Page
- Corporate Acknowledgement (must be notarized)
- Offerer's Affirmation of Understanding of and Agreement pursuant to New York State Finance Law §139-j (3) and §139-j (6) (b)
- Offerer Disclosure of Prior Non-Responsibility Determinations
- Offerer's Certification of Compliance with State Finance Law §139-k(5)
- NYS Required Certifications
  - Nondiscrimination In Employment In Northern Ireland Macbride Fair Employment Principles
  - Non-Collusive Bidding Certification
  - Diesel Emission Reduction Act
  - Executive Order No 177 Certification
  - Small Business Certifications
- ST-220 -TD Taxation & Finance Contractor Certification  
(Submitted directly to Taxation & Finance)
- ST-220 - CA Taxation and Finance Covered Agency Certification

## Contractor Information

Solicitation Number

Offerer affirms that it understands and agrees to comply with the procedures of the Government Entity relative to permissible contacts as required by New York State Finance Law §139-j (3) and §139-j (6) (b).

Authorized Signature		Date	
Print Name		Title	
Company Name			
Federal ID Number		NYS Vendor ID Number	
Address			
City	State	Zip	County
Telephone Number	Ext	Toll Free Telephone	Ext
Fax Number		Toll Free Fax Number	
Email of Designated Contact			

Please identify if any of the following apply:

New York State Small Business as defined in Executive Law Section 310(20) and as detailed in the "New York State Required Certifications" included in Appendix B herein.	Yes	No
New York State Certified Minority Owned Business	Yes	No
New York State Certified Woman Owned Business	Yes	No
New York State Certified Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Business	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
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).		
Does your proposal meet all the requirements of this solicitation?	Yes	No

**INDIVIDUAL, CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, OR LLC ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ }

\_\_\_\_\_ : **SS.:**  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ }

On the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year 20 \_\_\_\_, before me personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, known to me to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument, who, being duly sworn by me did depose and say that \_he resides at

\_\_\_\_\_ ,

Town of \_\_\_\_\_ ,

County of \_\_\_\_\_ ,

State of \_\_\_\_\_ ; and further that:

**[Check One]**

**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.** \_\_\_\_\_  
**State of:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Offerer’s Affirmation of Understanding of and Agreement pursuant to New York State Finance Law §139-j (3) and §139-j (6) (b)**

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New York State Finance Law §139-j(6)(b) provides that:

Every Governmental Entity shall seek written affirmations from all Offerers as to the Offerer’s understanding of and agreement to comply with the Governmental Entity’s procedures relating to permissible contacts during a Governmental Procurement pursuant to subdivision three of this section.

Offerer affirms that it understands and agrees to comply with the procedures of the Government Entity relative to permissible contacts as required by New York State Finance Law §139-j (3) and §139-j (6) (b).			
Authorized Signature		Date	
Print Name		Title	
Company Name			
Address			
City	State	Zip	



## **Offerer Disclosure of Prior Non-Responsibility Determinations**

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### **Background:**

New York State Finance Law §139-k(2) obligates a Governmental Entity to obtain specific information regarding prior non-responsibility determinations with respect to State Finance Law §139-j. This information must be collected in addition to the information that is separately obtained pursuant to State Finance Law §163(9). In accordance with State Finance Law §139-k, an Offerer must be asked to disclose whether there has been a finding of non-responsibility made within the previous four (4) years by any Governmental Entity due to: (a) a violation of State Finance Law §139-j or (b) the intentional provision of false or incomplete information to a Governmental Entity. The terms “Offerer” and “Governmental Entity” are defined in State Finance Law § 139-k(1). State Finance Law §139-j sets forth detailed requirements about the restrictions on Contacts during the procurement process. A violation of State Finance Law §139-j includes, but is not limited to, an impermissible Contact during the restricted period (for example, contacting a person or entity other than the designated contact person, when such contact does not fall within one of the exemptions).

As part of its responsibility determination, State Finance Law §139-k(3) mandates consideration of whether an Offerer fails to timely disclose accurate or complete information regarding the above non-responsibility determination. In accordance with law, no Procurement Contract shall be awarded to any Offerer that fails to timely disclose accurate or complete information under this section, unless a finding is made that the award of the Procurement Contract to the Offerer is necessary to protect public property or public health safety, and that the Offerer is the only source capable of supplying the required Article of Procurement within the necessary timeframe. See State Finance Law §§139-j (10)(b) and 139-k(3).

### **Instructions:**

A Governmental Entity must include a disclosure request regarding prior non-responsibility determinations in accordance with State Finance Law §139-k in its solicitation of proposals or bid documents or specifications or contract documents, as applicable, for procurement contracts. The attached form is to be completed and submitted by the individual or entity seeking to enter into a Procurement Contract. It shall be submitted to the Governmental Entity conducting the Governmental Procurement.

## Offerer Disclosure of Prior Non-Responsibility Determinations

Name of Individual or Entity Seeking to Enter into the Procurement Contract			
Address			
City	State	Zip	
Person Submitting this Form	Title	Date	Contract Procurement Number

1. Has any Governmental Entity made a finding of non-responsibility regarding the individual or entity seeking to enter into the Procurement Contract in the previous four years?	No	Yes
<i>If yes, please answer questions 2-4 before proceeding to question 5. If no, please go to question 5.</i>		
2. Was the basis for the finding of non-responsibility due to a violation of State Finance Law §139-j	No	Yes
3. Was the basis for the finding of non-responsibility due to the intentional provision of false or incomplete information to a Governmental Entity?	No	Yes
4. If you answered yes to any of the above questions, please provide details regarding the finding of non-responsibility below.		
Governmental Entity	Date of Finding of Non-responsibility	
Basis of Finding of Non-Responsibility (Add additional pages as necessary)		
5. Has any Governmental Entity or other governmental agency terminated or withheld a Procurement Contract with the above-named individual or entity due to the intentional provision of false or incomplete information?	No	Yes
6. If yes, please provide details below.		
Governmental Entity	Date of Termination or Withholding of Contract	
Basis of Termination or Withholding (Add additional pages as necessary)		

Offerer certifies that all information provided to the Governmental Entity with respect to State Finance Law §139-k is complete, true and accurate.

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

## Offerer's Certification of Compliance with State Finance Law §139-k(5)

New York State Finance Law §139-k(5) requires that every Procurement Contract award subject to the provisions of State Finance Law §§139-k or 139-j shall contain a certification by the Offerer that all information provided to the Office of General Services with respect to State Finance Law §139-k is complete, true and accurate.

Offerer Certification:			
<i>I certify that all information provided to the Office of General Services with respect to State Finance Law §139-k is complete, true and accurate.</i>			
Authorized Signature		Date	
Print Name		Title	
Company Name			
Address			
City	State	Zip	

## Procurement Lobbying Termination

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

# **NYS REQUIRED CERTIFICATIONS**

## **Nondiscrimination In Employment In Northern Ireland Macbride Fair Employment Principles**

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In accordance with Section 165 of the State Finance Law, the bidder, by submission of this bid, certifies that it or any individual or legal entity in which the bidder holds a 10% or greater ownership interest, or any individual or legal entity that holds a 10% or greater ownership interest in the bidder, either (answer yes or no to one or both of the following, as applicable):

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|--|----|-----|----------------------|
| 1. have business operations in Northern Ireland  | No | Yes | <b>, and if yes:</b> |
| 2. shall take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride Fair Employment Principles relating to nondiscrimination in employment and freedom of workplace opportunity regarding such operations in Northern Ireland, and shall permit independent monitoring of compliance with such principles. |    |     |                      |
|  | No | Yes |                      |

## **Non-Collusive Bidding Certification**

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In accordance with Section 139-d of the State Finance Law, by submitting its bid each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any other 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 his or her 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.
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 to 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 § 139-d(1)(b).

## **Diesel Emission Reduction Act**

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Pursuant to N.Y. Environmental Conservation Law § 19-0323 (the "Law") it is a requirement that heavy duty diesel vehicles in excess of 8,500 pounds use the best available retrofit technology ("BART") and ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel ("ULSD"). The requirement of the Law applies to all vehicles owned, operated by or on behalf of, or leased by State agencies and State or regional public authorities. It also requires that such vehicles owned, operated by or on behalf of, or leased by State agencies and State or regional public authorities with more than half of its governing body appointed by the Governor utilize BART.

The Law may be applicable to vehicles used by contract vendors "on behalf of" State agencies and public authorities and require certain reports from contract vendors. All heavy duty diesel vehicles must have BART by the deadline provided in the Law. The Law also provides a list of exempted vehicles. Regulations set forth in 6 NYCRR Parts 248 and 249 provide further guidance. The Bidder hereby certifies and warrants

that all heavy duty vehicles, as defined in the Law, to be used under this contract, will comply with the specifications and provisions of the Law, and 6 NYCRR Parts 248 and 249.

## **Executive Order No. 177 Certification**

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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 Bidder 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.

## **Small Business Certifications**

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### **State Finance Law § 163(1)(j) (Authorizes Award of Quantitative Factor Credit for Small Business Status in Evaluation for Best Value Contracts)**

For purposes of New York State Finance Law § 163(1)(j), the contractor certifies that it:

**IS NOT** a Small Business as defined in New York State Executive Law § 310(20).

**IS** a Small Business as defined in New York State Executive Law § 310(20).

"Small Business" is defined under New York State Executive Law § 310(20) as a business that:

- A. has a significant business presence in New York demonstrated through one of the following:
  1. pays taxes in New York State, or
  2. purchases New York State products or materials, or
  3. has any payroll in New York State
- B. is independently owned and operated;
- C. is not dominant in its field; and,

D. employs less than 300 persons.

**State Finance Law § 163(6) (Authorizes Discretionary Purchases of Commodities or Services from Small Business Concerns)**

For purposes of New York State Finance Law § 163(6), the contractor certifies that it:

\_\_\_ **IS NOT** a Small Business Concern or Small Business as defined in New York State Finance Law § 160(8).

\_\_\_ **IS** a Small Business Concern or Small Business as defined in New York State Finance Law § 160(8).

“Small Business Concern” or “Small Business” is defined under New York State Finance Law § 160(8) as a business that:

- A. is resident in New York State;
- B. is independently owned and operated;
- C. is not dominant in its field; and
- D. employs 100 or less persons.

**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 Certifications 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 applicable)			
Address			
City	State	Zip	

NYS Department of Taxation and Finance - FORMS

CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION (ST-220-TD 12/11)  
CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION TO COVERED AGENCY  
(ST-220-CA 12/11)



# Contractor Certification

(Pursuant to Tax Law Section 5-a, as amended, effective April 26, 2006)

# ST-220-TD

(4/15)

For information, consult Publication 223, *Questions and Answers Concerning Tax Law Section 5-a* (see *Need help?* below).

Contractor name				
Contractor's principal place of business		City	State	ZIP code
Contractor's mailing address (if different than above)		City	State	ZIP code
Contractor's federal employer identification number (EIN)	Contractor's sales tax ID number (if different from contractor's EIN)		Contractor's telephone number ( )	
Covered agency or state agency	Contract number or description		Covered agency telephone number ( )	
Covered agency address	City	State	ZIP code	
Is the estimated contract value over the full term of the contract (but not including renewals) more than \$100,000?				
Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown at this time <input type="checkbox"/>				

### General information

Tax Law section 5-a, as amended, effective April 26, 2006, requires certain contractors awarded certain state contracts valued at more than \$100,000 to certify to the Tax Department that they are registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes, if they made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000, measured over a specified period. In addition, contractors must certify to the Tax Department that each affiliate and subcontractor exceeding such sales threshold during a specified period is registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes. Contractors must also file Form ST-220-CA, *Contractor Certification to Covered Agency*, certifying to the procuring state entity that they filed Form ST-220-TD with the Tax Department and that the information contained on Form ST-220-TD is correct and complete as of the date they file Form ST-220-CA.

All sections must be completed including all fields on the top of this page, all sections on page 2, Schedule A on page 3, if applicable, and *Individual, Corporation, Partnership, or LLC Acknowledgement* on page 4. If you do not complete these areas, the form will be returned to you for completion.

For more detailed information regarding this form and Tax Law section 5-a, see Publication 223, *Questions and Answers Concerning Tax Law Section 5-a, (as amended, effective April 26, 2006)*. See *Need help?* for more information on how to obtain this publication.

**Note:** Form ST-220-TD must be signed by a person authorized to make the certification on behalf of the contractor, and the acknowledgement on page 4 of this form must be completed before a notary public.

Mail completed form to:

**NYS TAX DEPARTMENT  
DATA ENTRY SECTION  
W A HARRIMAN CAMPUS  
ALBANY NY 12227-0826**

### Privacy notification

New York State Law requires all government agencies that maintain a system of records to provide notification of the legal authority for any request, the principal purpose(s) for which the information is to be collected, and where it will be maintained. To view this information, visit our Web site, or, if you do not have Internet access, call and request Publication 54, *Privacy Notification*. See *Need help?* for the Web address and telephone number.

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby affirm, under penalty of perjury, that I am \_\_\_\_\_  
*(name)* *(title)*  
of the above-named contractor, and that I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of such contractor.

**Complete Sections 1, 2, and 3 below. Make only one entry in each section.**

**Section 1 – Contractor registration status**

- The contractor has made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000 during the four sales tax quarters which immediately precede the sales tax quarter in which this certification is made. The contractor is registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes with the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance pursuant to Tax Law sections 1134 and 1253, and is listed on Schedule A of this certification.
- The contractor has not made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000 during the four sales tax quarters which immediately precede the sales tax quarter in which this certification is made.

**Section 2 – Affiliate registration status**

- The contractor does not have any affiliates.
- To the best of the contractor's knowledge, the contractor has one or more affiliates having made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000 during the four sales tax quarters which immediately precede the sales tax quarter in which this certification is made, and each affiliate exceeding the \$300,000 cumulative sales threshold during such quarters is registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes with the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance pursuant to Tax Law sections 1134 and 1253. The contractor has listed each affiliate exceeding the \$300,000 cumulative sales threshold during such quarters on Schedule A of this certification.
- To the best of the contractor's knowledge, the contractor has one or more affiliates, and each affiliate has not made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000 during the four sales tax quarters which immediately precede the sales tax quarter in which this certification is made.

**Section 3 – Subcontractor registration status**

- The contractor does not have any subcontractors.
- To the best of the contractor's knowledge, the contractor has one or more subcontractors having made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000 during the four sales tax quarters which immediately precede the sales tax quarter in which this certification is made, and each subcontractor exceeding the \$300,000 cumulative sales threshold during such quarters is registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes with the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance pursuant to Tax Law sections 1134 and 1253. The contractor has listed each subcontractor exceeding the \$300,000 cumulative sales threshold during such quarters on Schedule A of this certification.
- To the best of the contractor's knowledge, the contractor has one or more subcontractors, and each subcontractor has not made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000 during the four sales tax quarters which immediately precede the sales tax quarter in which this certification is made.

Sworn to this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(sign before a notary public)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(title)*







# Contractor Certification to Covered Agency

(Pursuant to Section 5-a of the Tax Law, as amended, effective April 26, 2006)

# ST-220-CA

(12/11)

For information, consult Publication 223, *Questions and Answers Concerning Tax Law Section 5-a* (see *Need Help?* on back).

Contractor name		For covered agency use only Contract number or description	
Contractor's principal place of business	City	State	ZIP code
Contractor's mailing address (if different than above)		Estimated contract value over the full term of contract (but not including renewals)	
Contractor's federal employer identification number (EIN)	Contractor's sales tax ID number (if different from contractor's EIN)		\$
Contractor's telephone number	Covered agency name		
Covered agency address		Covered agency telephone number	

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby affirm, under penalty of perjury, that I am \_\_\_\_\_

(name)

(title)

of the above-named contractor, that I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of such contractor, and I further certify that:

(Mark an X in only one box)

The contractor has filed Form ST-220-TD with the Department of Taxation and Finance in connection with this contract and, to the best of contractor's knowledge, the information provided on the Form ST-220-TD, is correct and complete.

The contractor has previously filed Form ST-220-TD with the Tax Department in connection with \_\_\_\_\_

(insert contract number or description)

and, to the best of the contractor's knowledge, the information provided on that previously filed Form ST-220-TD, is correct and complete as of the current date, and thus the contractor is not required to file a new Form ST-220-TD at this time.

Sworn to this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_

(sign before a notary public)

(title)

## Instructions

### General information

Tax Law section 5-a was amended, effective April 26, 2006. On or after that date, in all cases where a contract is subject to Tax Law section 5-a, a contractor must file (1) Form ST-220-CA, *Contractor Certification to Covered Agency*, with a covered agency, and (2) Form ST-220-TD with the Tax Department before a contract may take effect. The circumstances when a contract is subject to section 5-a are listed in Publication 223, Q&A 3. See *Need help?* for more information on how to obtain this publication. In addition, a contractor must file a new Form ST-220-CA with a covered agency before an existing contract with such agency may be renewed.

**Note:** Form ST-220-CA must be signed by a person authorized to make the certification on behalf of the contractor, and the acknowledgement on page 2 of this form must be completed before a notary public.

### When to complete this form

As set forth in Publication 223, a contract is subject to section 5-a, and you must make the required certification(s), if:

- i. The procuring entity is a *covered agency* within the meaning of the statute (see Publication 223, Q&A 5);
- ii. The contractor is a *contractor* within the meaning of the statute (see Publication 223, Q&A 6); and
- iii. The contract is a *contract* within the meaning of the statute. This is the case when it (a) has a value in excess of \$100,000 and (b) is a contract for *commodities* or *services*, as such terms are defined for purposes of the statute (see Publication 223, Q&A 8 and 9).

Furthermore, the procuring entity must have begun the solicitation to purchase on or after January 1, 2005, and the resulting contract must have been awarded, amended, extended, renewed, or assigned *on or after April 26, 2006* (the effective date of the section 5-a amendments).

Individual, Corporation, Partnership, or LLC Acknowledgment

STATE OF }
: SS.:
COUNTY OF }

On the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year 20\_\_\_, before me personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_,
known to me to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument, who, being duly sworn by me did depose and say that
\_he resides at \_\_\_\_\_,
Town of \_\_\_\_\_,
County of \_\_\_\_\_,
State of \_\_\_\_\_; and further that:

[Mark an X in the appropriate box and complete the accompanying statement.]

- (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 a \_\_\_\_\_ 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.

Privacy notification

The Commissioner of Taxation and Finance may collect and maintain personal information pursuant to the New York State Tax Law, including but not limited to, sections 5-a, 171, 171-a, 287, 308, 429, 475, 505, 697, 1096, 1142, and 1415 of that Law; and may require disclosure of social security numbers pursuant to 42 USC 405(c)(2)(C)(i).

This information will be used to determine and administer tax liabilities and, when authorized by law, for certain tax offset and exchange of tax information programs as well as for any other lawful purpose.

Information concerning quarterly wages paid to employees is provided to certain state agencies for purposes of fraud prevention, support enforcement, evaluation of the effectiveness of certain employment and training programs and other purposes authorized by law.

Failure to provide the required information may subject you to civil or criminal penalties, or both, under the Tax Law.

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**RFQ Appendix C**  
**Sample Contract**

**Solicitation No. 2299**

SAMPLE

**STATE OF NEW YORK**  
**OFFICE OF GENERAL SERVICES**  
**AGREEMENT FOR**  
**EVENT REGISTRATION SERVICES**  
**AT THE EMPIRE STATE PLAZA STATE**  
**IN ALBANY, NY**  
**WITH**  
**(CONTRACTOR)**  
**CONTRACT #OGS1-C00XXXX-1140000**

**THIS AGREEMENT**, made this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019 by and between the People of the State of New York, acting by and through the Commissioner of General Services, whose office is in the Corning Tower Building located at the Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller Empire State Plaza in Albany, New York 12242 (hereinafter "Commissioner", "OGS" or "State"), and (Company Name), (hereinafter "Contractor"), with an office at \_\_\_\_\_.

**WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS**, NYS OGS is responsible for the NYS GovBuy event registration which takes place at the Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY (hereinafter the "State Office Building") and in fulfilling its responsibility deems it necessary to obtain Event Registration Services therefore, and

**WHEREAS**, OGS has determined after having solicited proposals from proposers willing to supply these services, that the Contractor submitted the proposal affording the State the best value for such services and that the Contractor possesses the necessary capacity, experience and expertise for provision of Event Registration Services, and that Contractor is ready, willing and able to perform such services on the terms hereinafter set forth.

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, the parties do hereby agree as follows:

**1. CONSIDERATION**

OGS shall pay the Contractor for all event registration services fees in accordance with the amounts and rates put forth in the Contractor's proposal attached hereto as Appendix "C", which Appendix C is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part hereof as fully as if set forth as length herein. This contract will be established with a not to exceed value of \$200,000.00. Services performed beyond this amount will not be compensated.

## **2. TERM**

This Agreement shall commence upon OSC approval and will be in effect for two (2) years or until the contract value has been met, whichever occurs first.

## **3. SERVICES**

The Contractor agrees to perform this Agreement and to furnish the services, labor and materials required in connection therewith in accordance with all the specifications, conditions, covenants and representations contained in the Request for Quote No. 2299, which is annexed as Appendix "B" hereto, and the Contractor's bid, annexed as Appendix "C" hereto, except as such Appendices B and C have been revised by the terms hereof. Appendix B is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part hereof with the same force and effect as if set forth at length herein.

## **4. TERMINATION**

This Agreement may be terminated in accordance with the termination provisions set forth in the solicitation attached hereto as Appendix B hereof.

### **A. Termination**

The Office of General Services may, upon thirty (30) days' notice, terminate the contract resulting from this RFP/IFB in the event of the awarded Bidder's failure to comply with any of the proposal's requirements unless the awarded Bidder obtained a waiver of the requirement.

In addition, OGS may also terminate any contract resulting from this RFP/IFB upon ten (10) days written notice if the Contractor makes any arrangement for the assignment for the benefit of creditors.

Furthermore, OGS shall have the right, in its sole discretion, at any time to terminate a contract resulting from this RFP/IFB, or any unit portion thereof, with or without cause, by giving thirty (30) days written notice of termination to the Contractor.

### **B. Procurement Lobbying Termination**

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

### **C. Effect of Termination**

Any termination by OGS under this Section shall in no event constitute or be deemed a breach of any contract resulting from this RFP/IFB and no liability shall be incurred by or arise against the Office of General Services, its agents and employees therefore for lost profits or any other damages.

## **5. RECORDS**



The Contractor will maintain accurate records and accounts of services performed and monies expended under this Agreement. Such records will be maintained for six (6) years following the close of the State fiscal year to which they pertain and will be made available to representatives of OGS or the New York State Comptroller, as may be necessary for auditing purposes, upon request.

#### **6. TAXES**

The Contractor will be responsible for all applicable Federal, State and Local taxes and all FICA contributions.

#### **7. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

It is understood and agreed that the legal status of the Contractor, its subcontractors, agents, officers and employees is that of an independent contractor and in no manner shall they be deemed employees or agents of the State of New York and, therefore, are not entitled to any of the benefits associated with such employment or designation.

#### **8. APPENDIX A**

Appendix A, Standard Clauses for New York State Contracts, attached hereto, is hereby expressly made a part of this Agreement as fully as if set forth at length herein.

#### **9. ASSIGNMENT**

Contractor agrees that it will not assign this Agreement, or any interest therein without the prior written consent of the Commissioner of General Services.

#### **10. LAW**

This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York.

#### **11. CONDITIONS PRECEDENT**

This Agreement shall not be deemed executed, valid or binding unless and until approved in writing by the Attorney General and the State Comptroller.

#### **12. ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

This Agreement constitutes the entire Agreement between the parties hereto and no statement, promise, condition, understanding, inducement or representation, oral or written, expressed or implied, which is not contained herein shall be binding or valid and this Agreement shall not be changed, modified or altered in any manner except by an instrument in writing executed by both parties hereto.

#### **13. EXECUTORY CLAUSE**

This Agreement shall be deemed executory only to the extent of money available to the State for performance of the terms hereof and no liability on account thereof shall be incurred by the State of New York beyond moneys available for purposes thereof.

#### **14. INCONSISTENCIES**

In the event of any discrepancy, disagreement or ambiguity between this contract agreement and Appendix B "Solicitation" and/or Appendix C "Bid", or between any Appendices, the documents shall be given preference in the following order to interpret and to resolve such discrepancy, disagreement or ambiguity:

1. Appendix A
2. This Contract Agreement
3. Appendix B – Solicitation #2299 including Addenda
4. Appendix C – Contractor's Bid

The parties understand and agree that any and all deviations or exceptions taken by Contractor to the State's Invitation to Bid are hereby withdrawn except only to the extent that such exceptions or deviations have been explicitly incorporated into this contract agreement.

#### **15. FORCE MAJEURE**

Neither party hereto will be liable for losses, defaults, or damages under this Agreement which result from delays in performing, or inability to perform, all or any of the obligations or responsibilities imposed upon it pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, due to or because of acts of God, the public enemy, acts of government, earthquakes, floods, strikes, civil strife, fire or any other cause beyond the reasonable control of the party that was so delayed in performing or so unable to perform provided that such party was not negligent and shall have used reasonable efforts to avoid and overcome such cause. Such party will resume full performance of such obligations and responsibilities promptly upon removal of any such cause.

#### **16. ASSIGNMENT BY STATE**

The State agrees not to assign this Agreement without prior notice to and reasonable consent of the Contractor provided, however, that this Agreement may be assigned without such consent to another agency or subdivision of the State pursuant to a governmental reorganization or assignment of functions under which the pertinent functions of OGS as an agency are transferred to a successor agency or subdivision of the State.

#### **17. NOTICES**

All notices, demands, designations, certificates, requests, offers, consents, approvals and other instruments given pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be validly given when mailed by registered or certified mail, overnight carrier or hand delivered, (i) if to the State, addressed to the State at its address set forth above, and (ii) if to Contractor, addressed to Contractor at its address set forth above. The parties may from time to time, specify any address in the United States as its address for purpose of notices under this Agreement by giving fifteen (15) days written notice to the other party. The parties agree to mutually designate individuals as their respective representatives for the purposes of this Agreement.

## **18. CAPTIONS**

The captions contained in this Agreement are intended for convenience and reference purposes only and shall in no way be deemed to define or limit any provision thereof.

## **19. SEVERABILITY**

In the event that any one or more of the provisions of this Agreement shall for any reason be declared unenforceable under the laws or regulations in force, such provision will not have any effect on the validity of the remainder of this Agreement, which shall then be construed as if such unenforceable provision had never been written or was never contained in this Agreement.

## **20. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY**

The Contractor shall at all times during the Contract term remain responsible. The Contractor agrees, if requested by the Commissioner of OGS or her 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 Commissioner of OGS or her 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 Commissioner of OGS or her designee issues a written notice authorizing a resumption of performance under the Contract.

Upon written notice to the Contractor, and a reasonable opportunity to be heard with appropriate OGS officials or staff, the Contract may be terminated by the Commissioner of OGS or her designee at the Contractor's expense where the Contractor is determined by the Commissioner of OGS or her designee to be non-responsible. In such event, the Commissioner of OGS or her designee may complete the contractual requirements in any manner he or she may deem advisable and pursue available legal or equitable remedies for breach.

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.

**CONTRACT NO. OGS01- C00XXXX-1140000**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

**Agency Certification**

"In addition to the acceptance of this Contract, I also certify that original copies of this signature page will be attached to all other exact copies of this contract."

**(Company Name)**

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title:  
Federal I.D. No.:  
Date:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title:  
Date:

**APPROVED AS TO FORM**

Attorney General

**APPROVED**

State Comptroller

**INDIVIDUAL, CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, OR LLC ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ }

: SS.:

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ }

On the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year 20 \_\_ , before me personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, known to me to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument, who, being duly sworn by me did depose and say that he resides at \_\_\_\_\_, Town of \_\_\_\_\_, County of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_; and further that:

**[Check One]**

- 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.** \_\_\_\_\_

**State of:** \_\_\_\_\_

# Sample Contract

## Appendix A

### STANDARD CLAUSES FOR NEW YORK STATE CONTRACTS

**[Text not included at this time because it is included  
elsewhere in the solicitation. Will be added when contract  
is finalized]**

# **Sample Contract**

## **Appendix B**

### **Request for Quote**

**SAMPLE**

# **Sample Contract**

## **Appendix C**

### **Contractor's Bid**

**SAMPLE**



## RFQ Appendix D – Insurance Requirements

## Insurance Requirements

The Bidder shall be required to procure, at its sole cost and expense, all insurance required by this Attachment.

The Bidder shall be required to provide proof of compliance with the requirements of this Attachment, as follows:

- Proof of all insurance required by Section B below shall be provided in accordance with the provisions hereof;
- After award, the Contractor shall be required to provide proof of all insurance after renewal or upon request according to the timelines set forth in Section A.13 below.

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 Attachment. All insurance required by this Attachment 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 Attachment should be licensed or authorized by the New York State Department of Financial Services to issue insurance in the State of New York. OGS 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 OGS evidence of the insurance required by this Solicitation and any Contract resulting from this Solicitation in a form satisfactory to OGS. 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 OGS 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.

**2. 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 Attachment shall be written on an occurrence basis.

**3. Certificates of Insurance/Notices.** Bidders and Contractors shall provide OGS with a Certificate or Certificates of Insurance, in a form satisfactory to OGS 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 Office of General Services, Agency Procurement Office, 32<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Corning Tower, Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12242** as the certificate holder.

Certificates of Insurance shall:

- Be in the form acceptable to OGS 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/or any Contract Number resulting from this Solicitation;
- Be signed by an authorized representative of the referenced insurance carriers; and
- Contain the following language in the Description of Operations / Locations / Vehicles section of the Certificate or on a submitted endorsement: **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.

OGS generally requires Contractors to submit only certificates of insurance and additional insured endorsements, although OGS reserves the right to request other proof of insurance. Contractors should refrain from submitting entire insurance policies, unless specifically requested by OGS. If an entire insurance policy is submitted but not requested, OGS 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 OGS 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 Office of General Services, 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 Office of General Services, any entity authorized by law or regulation to use the Contract and their officers, agents, and employees shall be excess of 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 Attachment 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 Office of General Services, 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 OGS. 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.

**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 Attachment and maintain the same in force during the term of any work performed by that Subcontractor. An Additional Insured Endorsement CG 20 38 04 13 (or the equivalent) evidencing such coverage shall be provided to the Contractor prior to the commencement of any work by a subcontractor and pursuant to the timelines set forth in Section A.13. below, as applicable. For subcontractors that are self-insured, the subcontractor 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 subcontractor would have been required to pursuant to this section had the subcontractor obtained such insurance policies.

**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 Office of General Services, 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 Office of General Services, 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 Office of General Services, 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 coverage for on-going work and operations naming as additional insureds (via ISO coverage forms CG 20 10 04 13 or 20 38 04 13 and form CA 20 48 10 13,

or a form or forms that provide equivalent coverage): The People of the State of New York, the New York State Office of General Services, 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 OGS 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 Attachment 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. 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.

**11. 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 OGS 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.

**12. 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 OGS. 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 OGS, the Contractor shall immediately cease work. The Contractor shall not resume work until authorized to do so by OGS.

**13. Deadlines for Providing Insurance Documents after Renewal or Upon Request.** As set forth herein, certain insurance documents must be provided to the OGS Agency Procurement Office 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 OGS 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 OGS, OGS 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:

Insurance Type		Proof of Coverage is Due
<b>Commercial General Liability</b>	\$1,000,000 each occurrence	Upon notification of tentative award and updated in accordance with Contract
General Aggregate	\$2,000,000	
Products – Completed Operations Aggregate	\$2,000,000	
Personal and Advertising Injury	\$1,000,000	
Medical Expenses Limit	\$5,000	
<b>Business Automobile Liability Insurance</b>	\$1,000,000 each occurrence	
<b>Cyber Liability</b>	\$2,000,000	
<b>Workers’ Compensation</b>		
<b>Disability Benefits</b>		

**1. 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.

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 arising from operations;
- 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; and
- Products/completed operations for a term of no less than one (1) year, commencing upon acceptance of the work, as required by the Contract.

**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 OGS. 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 OGS 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 hire and/or utilize non-owned automobiles in connection with performance under the Contract, the Contractor 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 OGS. 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 Attachment and provide proof of such coverage to OGS in accordance with the insurance requirements of any Contract resulting from this Solicitation.

**3. Data Breach and Privacy/Cyber Liability:** Contractors are required to maintain during the term of any Contract resulting from this Solicitation and as otherwise required herein, Data Breach and Privacy/Cyber Liability Insurance, including coverage for failure to protect confidential information and failure of the security of the registration computer systems or the paper forms for registration and the data used for registration.

Said insurance shall provide coverage for damages arising from, but not limited to the following:

- Breach of duty to protect the security and confidentiality of nonpublic proprietary corporate information;
- Personally identifiable nonpublic information (e.g., medical, financial, or personal in nature in electronic or non-electronic form);
- Privacy notification costs;
- Regulatory defense and penalties;
- Website media liability;
- Cyber theft of customer's property, including but not limited to money and securities; and
- Employee dishonesty.

If the policy is written on a claims made basis, the Contractor must submit to OGS an Endorsement providing proof that the policy provides the option to purchase an Extended Reporting Period (“tail coverage”) providing coverage for no less than one (1) year after work is completed in the event that coverage is cancelled or not renewed. This requirement applies to both primary and excess liability policies, as applicable

#### 4. 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 OGS.** Proof of workers’ compensation and disability benefits coverage, or proof of exemption must be submitted to OGS at the time of notification of tentative award, 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](http://www.wcb.ny.gov));
- Form C-105.2 (9/07), *Certificate of Workers’ Compensation Insurance*, sent to OGS 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 OGS 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](http://www.wcb.ny.gov));
- Form DB-120.1, *Certificate of Disability Benefits Insurance*, sent to OGS 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, <http://www.wcb.ny.gov>. Once on the site, click on the Employers/Businesses tab and then click on Employers' Handbook.

**Contractor acknowledges that failure to obtain and/or keep in effect any or all required insurance on behalf of OGS constitutes a material breach of contract and subjects it to liability for damages, indemnification and all other legal remedies available to OGS. Contractor's failure to obtain and/or keep in effect any or all required insurance shall also provide the basis for OGS' immediate termination of any contract resulting from this Solicitation, subject only to a five (5) business day cure period. Any termination by OGS under this section shall in no event constitute or be deemed a breach of any contract resulting from this Solicitation and no liability shall be incurred by or arise against the Office of General Services, its agents and employees therefore for lost profits or any other damages.**

## RFQ Appendix E – M/WBE and EEO Requirements

# **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**

## **I. 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 (“NYCRR”), the New York State Office of General Services (“OGS”) 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 OGS contracts.

## **II. General Provisions**

A. OGS is required to implement the provisions of New York State Executive Law Article 15-A and 5 NYCRR Parts 140-145 (“MWBE Regulations”) 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 agrees, in addition to any other nondiscrimination provision of the Contract and at no additional cost to OGS, to fully comply and cooperate with OGS 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 MWBEs. 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”) or other applicable federal, State, or local laws.

C. Failure to comply with all of the requirements herein may result in a finding of non-responsiveness, a finding of non-responsibility, breach of contract, withholding of funds, suspension or termination of the Contract, and/or such other actions or enforcement proceedings as allowed by the Contract and applicable law.

## **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 all Contractors, and any subcontractors, awarded a subcontract over \$25,000 for labor, services, including legal, financial and other professional services, travel, supplies, equipment, materials, or any combination of the foregoing, to be performed for, or rendered or furnished to, the contracting State agency (the “Work”) except where the Work is for the beneficial use of the Contractor.

1. Contractor and subcontractors 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. This requirement does not apply to: (i) the performance of work or the provision of

services or any other activity that is unrelated, separate, or distinct from the Contract; or (ii) employment outside New York State.

2. By entering into this Contract, Contractor certifies that the text set forth in clause 12 of Appendix A, attached hereto and made a part hereof, is Contractor's equal employment opportunity policy. In addition, Contractor agrees to comply with the Non-Discrimination Requirements set forth in clause 5 of Appendix A.

**B. RESERVED**

**C. Form EEO - 101 - Workforce Utilization Reporting Form (Commodities and Services) ("Form EEO-101-Commodities and Services")**

1. The Contractor shall submit, and shall require each of its subcontractors to submit, a Form EEO-101-Commodities and Services to OGS to report the actual workforce utilized in the performance of the Contract by the specified categories listed including ethnic background, gender, and Federal occupational categories. The Form EEO-101-Commodities and Services must be submitted electronically to OGS at [EEO\\_CentCon@ogs.ny.gov](mailto:EEO_CentCon@ogs.ny.gov) on a quarterly basis during the term of the Contract by the 10th day of April, July, October, and January.

2. Separate forms shall be completed by Contractor and all subcontractors.

3. In limited instances, the Contractor or subcontractor may not be able to separate out the workforce utilized in the performance of the Contract from its total workforce. When a separation can be made, the Contractor or subcontractor shall submit the Form EEO-101-Commodities and Services and indicate that the information provided relates to the actual workforce utilized on the Contract. When the workforce to be utilized on the Contract cannot be separated out from the Contractor's or subcontractor's total workforce, the Contractor or subcontractor shall submit the Form EEO-101-Commodities and Services and indicate that the information provided is the Contractor's or subcontractor's total workforce during the subject time frame, not limited to work specifically performed under the Contract.

**D.** Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Human Rights Law and all other State and federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions. Contractor and 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 and conviction and prior arrest.

**IV. Contract Goals**

**A.** For purposes of this procurement, OGS conducted a comprehensive search and determined that the Contract does not offer sufficient opportunities to set goals for participation by MWBEs as subcontractors, service providers, or suppliers to Contractor. Contractor is, however, encouraged to make every good faith effort to promote and assist the participation of MWBEs on this Contract for the provision of services and materials. The directory of New York State Certified MWBEs can be viewed at: <https://ny.newnycontracts.com/FrontEnd/VendorSearchPublic.asp?TN=ny&XID=2528>. Additionally, following Contract execution, Contractor is encouraged to contact the Division of Minority and Women's Business Development ((518) 292-5250; (212) 803-2414; or (716) 846-8200) to discuss additional methods of maximizing participation by MWBEs on the Contract.

## B. Good Faith Efforts

Pursuant to 5 NYCRR § 142.8, evidence of good faith efforts shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. A list of the general circulation, trade, and MWBE-oriented publications and dates of publications in which the Contractor solicited the participation of certified MWBEs as subcontractors/suppliers, copies of such solicitations, and any responses thereto.
2. A list of the certified MWBEs appearing in the Empire State Development (“ESD”) MWBE directory that were solicited for this Contract. Provide proof of dates or copies of the solicitations and copies of the responses made by the certified MWBEs. Describe specific reasons that responding certified MWBEs were not selected.
3. Descriptions of the Contract documents/plans/specifications made available to certified MWBEs by the Contractor when soliciting their participation and steps taken to structure the scope of work for the purpose of subcontracting with, or obtaining supplies from, certified MWBEs.
4. A description of the negotiations between the Contractor and certified MWBEs for the purposes of complying with the MWBE goals of this Contract.
5. Dates of any pre-bid, pre-award, or other meetings attended by Contractor, if any, scheduled by OGS with certified MWBEs whom OGS determined were capable of fulfilling the MWBE goals set in the Contract.
6. Other information deemed relevant to the request.

## V. Fraud

Any suspicion of fraud, waste, or abuse involving the contracting or certification of MWBEs shall be immediately reported to ESD’s Division of Minority and Women’s Business Development at (855) 373-4692.

ALL FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT: <https://ogs.ny.gov/mwbe/forms>

## Attachment 1 – Quote Proposal Form

## ATTACHMENT 1 - QUOTE PROPOSAL FORM

NYS Office of General Services  
 Financial Administration  
 32nd FL - Corning Tower, Empire State Plaza  
 Albany, NY 12242

**CONTRACT NO.** \_\_\_\_\_  
 (to be completed by agency)

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

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

**NOTE: This Quote Proposal Form must be completed and signed and submitted with three (3) Originals and one (1) exact copy.**

The above Bidder agrees to provide Event Registration Services in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications as specified in RFQ #2299 for the prices bid below.

**The total value of this contract shall be capped at \$200,000.00. Quotes exceeding this amount will not be considered.**

	Cost
A. 2020 NY GovBuy	\$
B. 2021 NY GovBuy	\$
<b>Grand Total Amount (A + B)</b>	<b>\$</b>

Early payment discounts offered \_\_\_\_\_% / \_\_\_ days after receipt of proper invoice

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