



Amendment No. 2  
To  
Contract No. NA170000185  
For  
Preventive Maintenance and Repair Services for  
Laboratory Equipment Spectrophotometer  
Between  
Hitachi High Technologies America, Inc.  
and the  
City of Austin

- 1.0 The City hereby exercises this extension option for the subject contract. This extension option will be July 5, 2021 through July 4, 2022. No options will remain.
- 2.0 The City hereby amends the subject contract to add one Hitachi Model U-2900 Spectrometer (Serial # 29E06-019). The unit is located at Austin Water Laboratory, 14050 Summit Drive, Suite 121, Austin Texas 78728.
- 3.0 The total contract amount is increased by \$6,600.00 by this extension period. The total contract authorization is recapped below:

| Action  | Action Amount | Total Contract Amount |
|---|---------------|-----------------------|
| Initial Term:<br>07/05/2017 – 07/04/2020  | \$19,800.00   | \$19,800.00           |
| Amendment No. 1: Option 1 – Extension<br>07/05/2020 – 07/04/2021  | \$6,600.00    | \$26,400.00           |
| Amendment No. 2: Option 2 – Extension<br>07/05/2021 – 07/04/2022<br>Hitachi Model U-2900 Spectrometer (Serial # 29E06-019)<br>added to Contract<br>05/27/2021 | \$6,600.00    | \$33,000.00           |

- 4.0 MBE/WBE goals do not apply to this contract.
- 5.0 By signing this Amendment the Contractor certifies that the vendor and its principals are not currently suspended or debarred from doing business with the Federal Government, as indicated by the GSA List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Non-Procurement Programs, the State of Texas, or the City of Austin.
- 6.0 All other terms and conditions remain the same.

BY THE SIGNATURES affixed below, this amendment is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the above-referenced contract.

Sign/Date: 06/01/2021

*Dean Gregson*

Printed Name: Dean Gregson  
Authorized Representative

Hitachi High Technologies America, Inc.  
1375 North 28<sup>th</sup> Street  
Dallas, Texas 75261  
(800) 253-3053  
[damian.frazier@hitachi-hta.com](mailto:damian.frazier@hitachi-hta.com)

Mike Zambrano

Sign/Date:

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Zambrano  
Date: 2021.06.01 12:11:03 -05'00'

Mike Zambrano, Jr.  
Contract Management Specialist III

City of Austin  
Purchasing Office  
124 W. 8th Street, Ste. 310  
Austin, Texas 78701



Amendment No. 1  
To  
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For  
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Laboratory Equipment Spectrophotometer  
Between  
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City of Austin

- 1.0 The City hereby exercises this extension option for the subject contract. This extension option will be July 5, 2020 through July 4, 2021. One option will remain.
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| Action   | Action Amount | Total Contract Amount |
|--|---------------|-----------------------|
| Initial Term:<br>07/05/2017 – 07/04/2020                         | \$19,800.00   | \$19,800.00           |
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BY THE SIGNATURES affixed below, this amendment is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the above-referenced contract.

Sign/Date: 05/05/2020

*Dean Gregson*

Printed Name: Dean Gregson  
Authorized Representative

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1375 North 28<sup>th</sup> Street  
Dallas, Texas 75261  
(800) 253-3053  
[damian.frazier@hitachi-hta.com](mailto:damian.frazier@hitachi-hta.com)

Sign/Date: Mike Zambrano, Jr. Digitally signed by Mike Zambrano, Jr.  
Date: 2020.06.22 10:19:34 -05'00'

Mike Zambrano, Jr.  
Contract Management Specialist III

City of Austin  
Purchasing Office  
124 W. 8th Street, Ste. 310  
Austin, Texas 78701



# City of Austin

## Purchasing Office

P.O. Box 1088, Austin, TX 78767

July 6, 2017

Hitachi High Technologies America Inc.  
Dean Gregson  
Manager Business Development  
1375 N. 28<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Dallas, TX. 75261-2208  
Eedcontractadmin@hitach-hta.com

Dear Dean:

The Austin City Council approved the execution of a contract with your company for Preventative Maintenance and Repair Services for Laboratory Equipment Spectrophotometer in accordance with the referenced solicitation.

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|-----------------------------------|---|
| Responsible Department:           | FSD   |
| Department Contact Person:        | Virginia Soto-Reynolds  |
| Department Contact Email Address: | Virginia.soto-reynolds@austintexas.gov  |
| Department Contact Telephone:     | 512-972-0337  |
| Project Name:                     | Preventative Maintenance and Repair Services for Laboratory Equipment Spectrophotometer |
| Contractor Name:                  | Hitachi High Technologies America Inc.  |
| Contract Number:                  | NA170000185   |
| Contract Period:                  | July 5, 2017 - July 4, 2020   |
| Dollar Amount                     | \$19,800.00   |
| Extension Options:                | Two (2) Twelve Month Options  |
| Extension Amount:                 | \$6,600.00  |
| Requisition Number:               | 17032900396   |
| Solicitation Type & Number:       | RFQ ISR0418   |
| Agenda Item Number:               | ADMIN   |
| Council Approval Date:            |   |

Thank you for your interest in doing business with the City of Austin. If you have any questions regarding this contract, please contact the person referenced under Department Contact Person.

Sincerely,

Irene Sanchez-Rocha  
Procurement Specialist III  
City of Austin  
Purchasing Office

cc: Virginia Soto-Reynolds, Austin Water

**CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AUSTIN (“City”)  
AND  
Hitachi High Technologies America, Inc. (“Contractor”)  
for  
Preventative Maintenance and Repair Services  
for  
Laboratory Equipment Spectrophotometer  
NA170000185**

The City accepts the Contractor’s Offer (as referenced in Section 1.1.3 below) for the above requirement and enters into the following Contract.

This Contract is between Hitachi High Technologies America, Inc. having offices at 1375 N. 28<sup>TH</sup> Ave., Dallas, TX 75261 and the City, a home-rule municipality incorporated by the State of Texas, and is effective as of the date executed by the City (“Effective Date”).

Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings given them in Solicitation Number RFQ ISR0418.

**1.1 This Contract is composed of the following documents:**

- 1.1.1 This Contract
- 1.1.2 The City’s Solicitation, Request for Quotation (RFQ), ISR0418 including all documents incorporated by reference
- 1.1.3 Hitachi High Technologies America, Inc. Offer, dated June 6, 2017, including subsequent clarifications

**1.2 Order of Precedence.** Any inconsistency or conflict in the Contract documents shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:

- 1.2.1 This Contract
- 1.2.2 The City’s Solicitation as referenced in Section 1.1.2, including all documents incorporated by reference
- 1.2.3 The Contractor’s Offer as referenced in Section 1.1.3, including subsequent clarifications.

**1.3 Term of Contract.** The Contract will be in effect for an initial term of thirty-six (36) months and may be extended thereafter for up to two (2) twelve (12) month extension option(s), subject to the approval of the Contractor and the City Purchasing Officer or his designee. See the Term of Contract provision in Section 0400 for additional Contract requirements.

**1.4 Compensation.** The Contractor shall be paid a total Not-to-Exceed amount of \$19,800.00 for the initial Contract term and \$6,600.00 for each extension option as indicated in the Quote Sheet, RFQ Section 0600. Payment shall be made upon successful completion of services or delivery of goods as outlined in each individual Delivery Order.



1.5 **Quantity of Work.** There is no guaranteed quantity of work for the period of the Contract and there are no minimum order quantities. Work will be on an as needed basis as specified by the City for each Delivery Order

1.6 **Clarifications and Additional Agreements.** The following are incorporated into the Contract.

1.6.1 N/A

This Contract (including any Exhibits) constitutes the entire agreement of the parties regarding the subject matter of this Contract and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements and understandings, whether written or oral, relating to such subject matter. This Contract may be altered, amended, or modified only by a written instrument signed by the duly authorized representatives of both parties.

In witness whereof, the parties have caused a duly authorized representative to execute this Contract on the date set forth below.

**Hitachi High Technologies America, Inc.**

**CITY OF AUSTIN**

Dean Gregson

Printed Name of Authorized Person



Signature

Manager Business Dev

Title:

7-5-2017

Date:

Irene Sanchez-Rocha

Printed Name of Authorized Person



Signature

Procurement Specialist III

Title:

7/5/17

Date:



**ADDENDUM  
PURCHASING OFFICE  
CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS**

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**Solicitation: RFQ ISR0418**

**Addendum No: # 2**

**Date of Addendum: 6/6/17**

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This addendum is to incorporate the following changes to the above referenced solicitation:

- I. **Extension:** The quote due date is hereby extended until June 13, 2017, at 2:00 p.m.
- II. **ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME.**

APPROVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

Irene Sanchez-Rocha, Senior Buyer  
Purchasing Office, 512-974-2554

6/6/17  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

ACKNOWLEDGED BY:

Dean Grayson  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

Dean Grayson  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature

6-6-2017  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**RETURN ONE COPY OF THIS ADDENDUM TO THE PURCHASING OFFICE, CITY OF AUSTIN, WITH YOUR RESPONSE OR PRIOR TO THE SOLICITATION CLOSING DATE. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY CONSTITUTE GROUNDS FOR REJECTION.**



**ADDENDUM  
PURCHASING OFFICE  
CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS**

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**Solicitation: RFQ ISR0418**

**Addendum No: # 1**

**Date of Addendum: 5/26/17**

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This addendum is to incorporate the following changes to the above referenced solicitation:

- I. **Extension:** The quote due date is hereby extended until June 6, 2017, at 2:00 p.m.
- II. ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME.

APPROVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

*[Signature]*  
Irene Sanchez-Rocha, Senior Buyer  
Purchasing Office, 512-974-2554

5/26/17  
Date

ACKNOWLEDGED BY:

Dean Grayson  
Name

Dean Grayson  
Authorized Signature

6-6-17  
Date

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**CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS**  
Purchasing Office  
**REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)**  
**OFFER SHEET**

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**SOLICITATION NO:** ISR0418

**DATE ISSUED:** May 19, 2017

**REQUISITION NO.:** 2200 17032900396

**COMMODITY CODE:** 96148

**COMMODITY/SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** PREVENTATIVE  
MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES FOR  
LABORATORY EQUIPMENT SPECTROPHOTOMETER

**PRE-RESPONSE CONFERENCE TIME AND DATE:** May  
25, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. CST.

**LOCATION:** Austin Water Laboratory 14050 Summit Dr.,  
Suite 121, Austin, Texas 78728

**QUOTE DUE PRIOR TO:** May 30, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

**FOR CONTRACTUAL AND TECHNICAL  
ISSUES CONTACT THE FOLLOWING:**

Irene Sanchez-Rocha  
Senior Buyer

**Phone:** (512) 974-2554

**E-Mail:** irene.sanchez-rocha@austintexas.gov

**SUBMIT YOUR QUOTE VIA E-MAIL OR FAX TO: Irene Sanchez-Rocha**  
**E-MAIL:** irene.sanchez-rocha@austintexas.gov  
**Fax:** (512) 974-2388

The Vendor agrees, if this Offer is accepted within 90 calendar days after the Due Date, to fully comply in strict accordance with the Solicitation, specifications and provisions attached thereto for the amounts shown on the accompanying Offer.

**\*\*\*SIGNATURE FOR SUBMITTAL REQUIRED ON PAGE 3 OF THIS DOCUMENT\*\*\***

**This solicitation is comprised of the following required sections. Please ensure to carefully read each section including those incorporated by reference. By signing this document, you are agreeing to all the items contained herein and will be bound to all terms.**

| <b>SECTION NO.</b> | <b>TITLE</b>   | <b>PAGES</b> |
|--------------------|--|--------------|
| 0100               | STANDARD PURCHASE DEFINITIONS                        | *            |
| 0200               | STANDARD SOLICITATION INSTRUCTIONS                   | *            |
| 0300               | STANDARD PURCHASE TERMS AND CONDITIONS               | *            |
| 0400               | SUPPLEMENTAL PURCHASE PROVISIONS                     | 6            |
| 0500               | SCOPE OF WORK  | 5            |
| 0600               | QUOTE SHEET  | 2            |
| 0700               | REFERENCE SHEET – Complete and return if required    | 1            |
| 0800               | NON-DISCRIMINATION AND NON-RETALIATION CERTIFICATION | 2            |
| 0835               | NONRESIDENT BIDDER PROVISIONS – Complete and return  | 1            |

**\* Documents are hereby incorporated into this Solicitation by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were incorporated in full text. The full text versions of these Sections are available, on the Internet at the following online address:**

[http://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/vendor\\_connection/index.cfm#STANDARDBIDDOCUMENTS](http://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/vendor_connection/index.cfm#STANDARDBIDDOCUMENTS)

**If you do not have access to the Internet, you may obtain a copy of these Sections from the City of Austin Purchasing Office located in the Municipal Building, 124 West 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Room #308 Austin, Texas 78701; phone (512) 974-2500. Please have the Solicitation number available so that the staff can select the proper documents. These documents can be mailed, expressed mailed, or faxed to you.**



The undersigned, by his/her signature, represents that he/she is submitting a binding offer and is authorized to bind the respondent to fully comply with the solicitation document contained herein. The Respondent, by submitting and signing below, acknowledges that he/she has received and read the entire document packet sections defined above including all documents incorporated by reference, and agrees to be bound by the terms therein.

Company Name: Hitachi High Technologies America Inc.

Company Address: 1375 N. 28th Ave.

City, State, Zip: Dallas, Tx 75261-2208

Federal Tax ID No. - 1 : \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name of Officer or Authorized Representative: Dean Gregson

Title: Mgr., Business Dev.

Signature of Officer or Authorized Representative: 

Date: 6/6/17

Email Address: EEDcontractadmin@hitachi-hta.com

Phone Number: 972-615-9042

**\* Completed Bid Sheet, section 0600 must be submitted with this Offer Sheet to be considered for award**



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By submitting an Offer in response to the Solicitation, the Contractor agrees that the Contract shall be governed by the following terms and conditions. Unless otherwise specified in the Contract, Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 20, 21, and 36 shall apply only to a Solicitation to purchase Goods, and Sections 9, 10, 11 and 22 shall apply only to a Solicitation to purchase Services to be performed principally at the City's premises or on public rights-of-way.

1. **CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATIONS**. The Contractor shall fully and timely provide all Deliverables described in the Solicitation and in the Contractor's Offer in strict accordance with the terms, covenants, and conditions of the Contract and all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, rules, and regulations.
2. **EFFECTIVE DATE/TERM**. Unless otherwise specified in the Solicitation, this Contract shall be effective as of the date the contract is signed by the City, and shall continue in effect until all obligations are performed in accordance with the Contract.
3. **CONTRACTOR TO PACKAGE DELIVERABLES**: The Contractor will package Deliverables in accordance with good commercial practice and shall include a packing list showing the description of each item, the quantity and unit price. Unless otherwise provided in the Specifications or Supplemental Terms and Conditions, each shipping container shall be clearly and permanently marked as follows: (a) The Contractor's name and address, (b) the City's name, address and purchase order or purchase release number and the price agreement number if applicable, (c) Container number and total number of containers, e.g. box 1 of 4 boxes, and (d) the number of the container bearing the packing list. The Contractor shall bear cost of packaging. Deliverables shall be suitably packed to secure lowest transportation costs and to conform with requirements of common carriers and any applicable specifications. The City's count or weight shall be final and conclusive on shipments not accompanied by packing lists.
4. **SHIPMENT UNDER RESERVATION PROHIBITED**: The Contractor is not authorized to ship the Deliverables under reservation and no tender of a bill of lading will operate as a tender of Deliverables.
5. **TITLE & RISK OF LOSS**: Title to and risk of loss of the Deliverables shall pass to the City only when the City actually receives and accepts the Deliverables.
6. **DELIVERY TERMS AND TRANSPORTATION CHARGES**: Deliverables shall be shipped F.O.B. point of delivery unless otherwise specified in the Supplemental Terms and Conditions. Unless otherwise stated in the Offer, the Contractor's price shall be deemed to include all delivery and transportation charges. The City shall have the right to designate what method of transportation shall be used to ship the Deliverables. The place of delivery shall be that set forth in the block of the purchase order or purchase release entitled "Receiving Agency".
7. **RIGHT OF INSPECTION AND REJECTION**: The City expressly reserves all rights under law, including, but not limited to the Uniform Commercial Code, to inspect the Deliverables at delivery before accepting them, and to reject defective or non-conforming Deliverables. If the City has the right to inspect the Contractor's, or the Contractor's Subcontractor's, facilities, or the Deliverables at the Contractor's, or the Contractor's Subcontractor's, premises, the Contractor shall furnish, or cause to be furnished, without additional charge, all reasonable facilities and assistance to the City to facilitate such inspection.
8. **NO REPLACEMENT OF DEFECTIVE TENDER**: Every tender or delivery of Deliverables must fully comply with all provisions of the Contract as to time of delivery, quality, and quantity. Any non-complying tender shall constitute a breach and the Contractor shall not have the right to substitute a conforming tender; provided, where the time for performance has not yet expired, the Contractor may notify the City of the intention to cure and may then make a conforming tender within the time allotted in the contract.
9. **PLACE AND CONDITION OF WORK**: The City shall provide the Contractor access to the sites where the Contractor is to perform the services as required in order for the Contractor to perform the services in a timely and efficient manner, in accordance with and subject to the applicable security laws, rules, and regulations. The Contractor acknowledges that it has satisfied itself as to the nature of the City's service requirements and specifications, the location and essential characteristics of the work sites, the quality and quantity of materials, equipment, labor and facilities necessary to perform the services, and any other condition or state of fact which could in any way affect performance of the Contractor's obligations under the contract. The Contractor hereby releases and holds the City

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harmless from and against any liability or claim for damages of any kind or nature if the actual site or service conditions differ from expected conditions.

**10. WORKFORCE**

- A. The Contractor shall employ only orderly and competent workers, skilled in the performance of the services which they will perform under the Contract.
- B. The Contractor, its employees, subcontractors, and subcontractor's employees may not while engaged in participating or responding to a solicitation or while in the course and scope of delivering goods or services under a City of Austin contract or on the City's property .
  - i. use or possess a firearm, including a concealed handgun that is licensed under state law, except as required by the terms of the contract; or
  - ii. use or possess alcoholic or other intoxicating beverages, illegal drugs or controlled substances, nor may such workers be intoxicated, or under the influence of alcohol or drugs, on the job.
- C. If the City or the City's representative notifies the Contractor that any worker is incompetent, disorderly or disobedient, has knowingly or repeatedly violated safety regulations, has possessed any firearms, or has possessed or was under the influence of alcohol or drugs on the job, the Contractor shall immediately remove such worker from Contract services, and may not employ such worker again on Contract services without the City's prior written consent.

- 11. COMPLIANCE WITH HEALTH, SAFETY, AND ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS:** The Contractor, its Subcontractors, and their respective employees, shall comply fully with all applicable federal, state, and local health, safety, and environmental laws, ordinances, rules and regulations in the performance of the services, including but not limited to those promulgated by the City and by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). In case of conflict, the most stringent safety requirement shall govern. The Contractor shall indemnify and hold the City harmless from and against all claims, demands, suits, actions, judgments, fines, penalties and liability of every kind arising from the breach of the Contractor's obligations under this paragraph.

**12. INVOICES:**

- A. The Contractor shall submit separate invoices in duplicate on each purchase order or purchase release after each delivery. If partial shipments or deliveries are authorized by the City, a separate invoice must be sent for each shipment or delivery made.
- B. **Proper Invoices must include a unique invoice number, the purchase order or delivery order number and the master agreement number if applicable, the Department's Name, and the name of the point of contact for the Department.** Invoices shall be itemized and transportation charges, if any, shall be listed separately. A copy of the bill of lading and the freight waybill, when applicable, shall be attached to the invoice. The Contractor's name and, if applicable, the tax identification number on the invoice must exactly match the information in the Vendor's registration with the City. Unless otherwise instructed in writing, the City may rely on the remittance address specified on the Contractor's invoice.
- C. Invoices for labor shall include a copy of all time-sheets with trade labor rate and Deliverables order number clearly identified. Invoices shall also include a tabulation of work-hours at the appropriate rates and grouped by work order number. Time billed for labor shall be limited to hours actually worked at the work site.
- D. Unless otherwise expressly authorized in the Contract, the Contractor shall pass through all Subcontract and other authorized expenses at actual cost without markup.
- E. Federal excise taxes, State taxes, or City sales taxes must not be included in the invoiced amount. The City will furnish a tax exemption certificate upon request.

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**13. PAYMENT:**

- A. All proper invoices received by the City will be paid within thirty (30) calendar days of the City's receipt of the Deliverables or of the invoice, whichever is later.
- B. **If payment is not timely made, (per paragraph A), interest shall accrue on the unpaid balance at the lesser of the rate specified in Texas Government Code Section 2251.025 or the maximum lawful rate; except, if payment is not timely made for a reason for which the City may withhold payment hereunder, interest shall not accrue until ten (10) calendar days after the grounds for withholding payment have been resolved.**
- C. If partial shipments or deliveries are authorized by the City, the Contractor will be paid for the partial shipment or delivery, as stated above, provided that the invoice matches the shipment or delivery.
- D. The City may withhold or set off the entire payment or part of any payment otherwise due the Contractor to such extent as may be necessary on account of:
  - i. delivery of defective or non-conforming Deliverables by the Contractor;
  - ii. third party claims, which are not covered by the insurance which the Contractor is required to provide, are filed or reasonable evidence indicating probable filing of such claims;
  - iii. failure of the Contractor to pay Subcontractors, or for labor, materials or equipment;
  - iv. damage to the property of the City or the City's agents, employees or contractors, which is not covered by insurance required to be provided by the Contractor;
  - v. reasonable evidence that the Contractor's obligations will not be completed within the time specified in the Contract, and that the unpaid balance would not be adequate to cover actual or liquidated damages for the anticipated delay;
  - vi. failure of the Contractor to submit proper invoices with all required attachments and supporting documentation; or
  - vii. failure of the Contractor to comply with any material provision of the Contract Documents.
- E. Notice is hereby given of Article VIII, Section 1 of the Austin City Charter which prohibits the payment of any money to any person, firm or corporation who is in arrears to the City for taxes, and of §2-8-3 of the Austin City Code concerning the right of the City to offset indebtedness owed the City.
- F. Payment will be made by check unless the parties mutually agree to payment by credit card or electronic transfer of funds. The Contractor agrees that there shall be no additional charges, surcharges, or penalties to the City for payments made by credit card or electronic funds transfer.
- G. The awarding or continuation of this contract is dependent upon the availability of funding. The City's payment obligations are payable only and solely from funds Appropriated and available for this contract. The absence of Appropriated or other lawfully available funds shall render the Contract null and void to the extent funds are not Appropriated or available and any Deliverables delivered but unpaid shall be returned to the Contractor. The City shall provide the Contractor written notice of the failure of the City to make an adequate Appropriation for any fiscal year to pay the amounts due under the Contract, or the reduction of any Appropriation to an amount insufficient to permit the City to pay its obligations under the Contract. In the event of non or inadequate appropriation of funds, there will be no penalty nor removal fees charged to the City.

- 14. TRAVEL EXPENSES:** All travel, lodging and per diem expenses in connection with the Contract for which reimbursement may be claimed by the Contractor under the terms of the Solicitation will be reviewed against the City's Travel Policy as published and maintained by the City's Controller's Office and the Current United States General Services Administration Domestic Per Diem Rates (the "Rates") as published and maintained on the Internet at:

<http://www.gsa.gov/portal/category/21287>

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No amounts in excess of the Travel Policy or Rates shall be paid. All invoices must be accompanied by copies of detailed itemized receipts (e.g. hotel bills, airline tickets). No reimbursement will be made for expenses not actually incurred. Airline fares in excess of coach or economy will not be reimbursed. Mileage charges may not exceed the amount permitted as a deduction in any year under the Internal Revenue Code or Regulations.

**15. FINAL PAYMENT AND CLOSE-OUT:**

- A. If an MBE/WBE Program Compliance Plan is required by the Solicitation, and the Contractor has identified Subcontractors, the Contractor is required to submit a Contract Close-Out MBE/WBE Compliance Report to the Project manager or Contract manager no later than the 15th calendar day after completion of all work under the contract. Final payment, retainage, or both may be withheld if the Contractor is not in compliance with the requirements of the Compliance Plan as accepted by the City.
- B. The making and acceptance of final payment will constitute:
  - i. a waiver of all claims by the City against the Contractor, except claims (1) which have been previously asserted in writing and not yet settled, (2) arising from defective work appearing after final inspection, (3) arising from failure of the Contractor to comply with the Contract or the terms of any warranty specified herein, (4) arising from the Contractor's continuing obligations under the Contract, including but not limited to indemnity and warranty obligations, or (5) arising under the City's right to audit; and
  - ii. a waiver of all claims by the Contractor against the City other than those previously asserted in writing and not yet settled.

**16. SPECIAL TOOLS & TEST EQUIPMENT:** If the price stated on the Offer includes the cost of any special tooling or special test equipment fabricated or required by the Contractor for the purpose of filling this order, such special tooling equipment and any process sheets related thereto shall become the property of the City and shall be identified by the Contractor as such.

**17. AUDITS and RECORDS:**

- A. The Contractor agrees that the representatives of the Office of the City Auditor or other authorized representatives of the City shall have access to, and the right to audit, examine, or reproduce, any and all records of the Contractor related to the performance under this Contract. The Contractor shall retain all such records for a period of three (3) years after final payment on this Contract or until all audit and litigation matters that the City has brought to the attention of the Contractor are resolved, whichever is longer. The Contractor agrees to refund to the City any overpayments disclosed by any such audit.
- B. Records Retention:
  - i. Contractor is subject to City Code chapter 2-11 (Records Management), and as it may subsequently be amended. For purposes of this subsection, a Record means all books, accounts, reports, files, and other data recorded or created by a Contractor in fulfillment of the Contract whether in digital or physical format, except a record specifically relating to the Contractor's internal administration.
  - ii. All Records are the property of the City. The Contractor may not dispose of or destroy a Record without City authorization and shall deliver the Records, in all requested formats and media, along with all finding aids and metadata, to the City at no cost when requested by the City
  - iii. The Contractor shall retain all Records for a period of three (3) years after final payment on this Contract or until all audit and litigation matters that the City has brought to the attention of the Contractor are resolved, whichever is longer.
- C. The Contractor shall include sections A and B above in all subcontractor agreements entered into in connection with this Contract.

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**18. SUBCONTRACTORS:**

- A. If the Contractor identified Subcontractors in an MBE/WBE Program Compliance Plan or a No Goals Utilization Plan the Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Chapters 2-9A, 2-9B, 2-9C, and 2-9D, as applicable, of the Austin City Code and the terms of the Compliance Plan or Utilization Plan as approved by the City (the "Plan"). The Contractor shall not initially employ any Subcontractor except as provided in the Contractor's Plan. The Contractor shall not substitute any Subcontractor identified in the Plan, unless the substitute has been accepted by the City in writing in accordance with the provisions of Chapters 2-9A, 2-9B, 2-9C and 2-9D, as applicable. No acceptance by the City of any Subcontractor shall constitute a waiver of any rights or remedies of the City with respect to defective Deliverables provided by a Subcontractor. If a Plan has been approved, the Contractor is additionally required to submit a monthly Subcontract Awards and Expenditures Report to the Contract Manager and the Purchasing Office Contract Compliance Manager no later than the tenth calendar day of each month.
- B. Work performed for the Contractor by a Subcontractor shall be pursuant to a written contract between the Contractor and Subcontractor. The terms of the subcontract may not conflict with the terms of the Contract, and shall contain provisions that:
  - i. require that all Deliverables to be provided by the Subcontractor be provided in strict accordance with the provisions, specifications and terms of the Contract;
  - ii. prohibit the Subcontractor from further subcontracting any portion of the Contract without the prior written consent of the City and the Contractor. The City may require, as a condition to such further subcontracting, that the Subcontractor post a payment bond in form, substance and amount acceptable to the City;
  - iii. require Subcontractors to submit all invoices and applications for payments, including any claims for additional payments, damages or otherwise, to the Contractor in sufficient time to enable the Contractor to include same with its invoice or application for payment to the City in accordance with the terms of the Contract;
  - iv. require that all Subcontractors obtain and maintain, throughout the term of their contract, insurance in the type and amounts specified for the Contractor, with the City being a named insured as its interest shall appear; and
  - v. require that the Subcontractor indemnify and hold the City harmless to the same extent as the Contractor is required to indemnify the City.
- C. The Contractor shall be fully responsible to the City for all acts and omissions of the Subcontractors just as the Contractor is responsible for the Contractor's own acts and omissions. Nothing in the Contract shall create for the benefit of any such Subcontractor any contractual relationship between the City and any such Subcontractor, nor shall it create any obligation on the part of the City to pay or to see to the payment of any moneys due any such Subcontractor except as may otherwise be required by law.
- D. The Contractor shall pay each Subcontractor its appropriate share of payments made to the Contractor not later than ten (10) calendar days after receipt of payment from the City.

**19. WARRANTY-PRICE:**

- A. The Contractor warrants the prices quoted in the Offer are no higher than the Contractor's current prices on orders by others for like Deliverables under similar terms of purchase.
- B. The Contractor certifies that the prices in the Offer have been arrived at independently without consultation, communication, or agreement for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such fees with any other firm or with any competitor.
- C. In addition to any other remedy available, the City may deduct from any amounts owed to the Contractor, or otherwise recover, any amounts paid for items in excess of the Contractor's current prices on orders by others for like Deliverables under similar terms of purchase.

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20. **WARRANTY – TITLE:** The Contractor warrants that it has good and indefeasible title to all Deliverables furnished under the Contract, and that the Deliverables are free and clear of all liens, claims, security interests and encumbrances. The Contractor shall indemnify and hold the City harmless from and against all adverse title claims to the Deliverables.
21. **WARRANTY – DELIVERABLES:** The Contractor warrants and represents that all Deliverables sold the City under the Contract shall be free from defects in design, workmanship or manufacture, and conform in all material respects to the specifications, drawings, and descriptions in the Solicitation, to any samples furnished by the Contractor, to the terms, covenants and conditions of the Contract, and to all applicable State, Federal or local laws, rules, and regulations, and industry codes and standards. Unless otherwise stated in the Solicitation, the Deliverables shall be new or recycled merchandise, and not used or reconditioned.
- A. Recycled Deliverables shall be clearly identified as such.
  - B. The Contractor may not limit, exclude or disclaim the foregoing warranty or any warranty implied by law; and any attempt to do so shall be without force or effect.
  - C. Unless otherwise specified in the Contract, the warranty period shall be at least one year from the date of acceptance of the Deliverables or from the date of acceptance of any replacement Deliverables. If during the warranty period, one or more of the above warranties are breached, the Contractor shall promptly upon receipt of demand either repair the non-conforming Deliverables, or replace the non-conforming Deliverables with fully conforming Deliverables, at the City's option and at no additional cost to the City. All costs incidental to such repair or replacement, including but not limited to, any packaging and shipping costs, shall be borne exclusively by the Contractor. The City shall endeavor to give the Contractor written notice of the breach of warranty within thirty (30) calendar days of discovery of the breach of warranty, but failure to give timely notice shall not impair the City's rights under this section.
  - D. If the Contractor is unable or unwilling to repair or replace defective or non-conforming Deliverables as required by the City, then in addition to any other available remedy, the City may reduce the quantity of Deliverables it may be required to purchase under the Contract from the Contractor, and purchase conforming Deliverables from other sources. In such event, the Contractor shall pay to the City upon demand the increased cost, if any, incurred by the City to procure such Deliverables from another source.
  - E. If the Contractor is not the manufacturer, and the Deliverables are covered by a separate manufacturer's warranty, the Contractor shall transfer and assign such manufacturer's warranty to the City. If for any reason the manufacturer's warranty cannot be fully transferred to the City, the Contractor shall assist and cooperate with the City to the fullest extent to enforce such manufacturer's warranty for the benefit of the City.
22. **WARRANTY – SERVICES:** The Contractor warrants and represents that all services to be provided the City under the Contract will be fully and timely performed in a good and workmanlike manner in accordance with generally accepted industry standards and practices, the terms, conditions, and covenants of the Contract, and all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules or regulations.
- A. The Contractor may not limit, exclude or disclaim the foregoing warranty or any warranty implied by law, and any attempt to do so shall be without force or effect.
  - B. Unless otherwise specified in the Contract, the warranty period shall be at least one year from the Acceptance Date. If during the warranty period, one or more of the above warranties are breached, the Contractor shall promptly upon receipt of demand perform the services again in accordance with above standard at no additional cost to the City. All costs incidental to such additional performance shall be borne by the Contractor. The City shall endeavor to give the Contractor written notice of the breach of warranty within thirty (30) calendar days of discovery of the breach warranty, but failure to give timely notice shall not impair the City's rights under this section.
  - C. If the Contractor is unable or unwilling to perform its services in accordance with the above standard as required by the City, then in addition to any other available remedy, the City may reduce the amount of services it may be



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required to purchase under the Contract from the Contractor, and purchase conforming services from other sources. In such event, the Contractor shall pay to the City upon demand the increased cost, if any, incurred by the City to procure such services from another source.

23. **ACCEPTANCE OF INCOMPLETE OR NON-CONFORMING DELIVERABLES:** If, instead of requiring immediate correction or removal and replacement of defective or non-conforming Deliverables, the City prefers to accept it, the City may do so. The Contractor shall pay all claims, costs, losses and damages attributable to the City's evaluation of and determination to accept such defective or non-conforming Deliverables. If any such acceptance occurs prior to final payment, the City may deduct such amounts as are necessary to compensate the City for the diminished value of the defective or non-conforming Deliverables. If the acceptance occurs after final payment, such amount will be refunded to the City by the Contractor.
24. **RIGHT TO ASSURANCE:** Whenever one party to the Contract in good faith has reason to question the other party's intent to perform, demand may be made to the other party for written assurance of the intent to perform. In the event that no assurance is given within the time specified after demand is made, the demanding party may treat this failure as an anticipatory repudiation of the Contract.
25. **STOP WORK NOTICE:** The City may issue an immediate Stop Work Notice in the event the Contractor is observed performing in a manner that is in violation of Federal, State, or local guidelines, or in a manner that is determined by the City to be unsafe to either life or property. Upon notification, the Contractor will cease all work until notified by the City that the violation or unsafe condition has been corrected. The Contractor shall be liable for all costs incurred by the City as a result of the issuance of such Stop Work Notice.
26. **DEFAULT:** The Contractor shall be in default under the Contract if the Contractor (a) fails to fully, timely and faithfully perform any of its material obligations under the Contract, (b) fails to provide adequate assurance of performance under Paragraph 24, (c) becomes insolvent or seeks relief under the bankruptcy laws of the United States or (d) makes a material misrepresentation in Contractor's Offer, or in any report or deliverable required to be submitted by the Contractor to the City.
27. **TERMINATION FOR CAUSE:** In the event of a default by the Contractor, the City shall have the right to terminate the Contract for cause, by written notice effective ten (10) calendar days, unless otherwise specified, after the date of such notice, unless the Contractor, within such ten (10) day period, cures such default, or provides evidence sufficient to prove to the City's reasonable satisfaction that such default does not, in fact, exist. The City may place Contractor on probation for a specified period of time within which the Contractor must correct any non-compliance issues. Probation shall not normally be for a period of more than nine (9) months, however, it may be for a longer period, not to exceed one (1) year depending on the circumstances. If the City determines the Contractor has failed to perform satisfactorily during the probation period, the City may proceed with suspension. In the event of a default by the Contractor, the City may suspend or debar the Contractor in accordance with the "City of Austin Purchasing Office Probation, Suspension and Debarment Rules for Vendors" and remove the Contractor from the City's vendor list for up to five (5) years and any Offer submitted by the Contractor may be disqualified for up to five (5) years. In addition to any other remedy available under law or in equity, the City shall be entitled to recover all actual damages, costs, losses and expenses, incurred by the City as a result of the Contractor's default, including, without limitation, cost of cover, reasonable attorneys' fees, court costs, and prejudgment and post-judgment interest at the maximum lawful rate. All rights and remedies under the Contract are cumulative and are not exclusive of any other right or remedy provided by law.
28. **TERMINATION WITHOUT CAUSE:** The City shall have the right to terminate the Contract, in whole or in part, without cause any time upon thirty (30) calendar days' prior written notice. Upon receipt of a notice of termination, the Contractor shall promptly cease all further work pursuant to the Contract, with such exceptions, if any, specified in the notice of termination. The City shall pay the Contractor, to the extent of funds Appropriated or otherwise legally available for such purposes, for all goods delivered and services performed and obligations incurred prior to the date of termination in accordance with the terms hereof.
29. **FRAUD:** Fraudulent statements by the Contractor on any Offer or in any report or deliverable required to be submitted by the Contractor to the City shall be grounds for the termination of the Contract for cause by the City and may result in legal action.

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**30. DELAYS:**

- A. The City may delay scheduled delivery or other due dates by written notice to the Contractor if the City deems it is in its best interest. If such delay causes an increase in the cost of the work under the Contract, the City and the Contractor shall negotiate an equitable adjustment for costs incurred by the Contractor in the Contract price and execute an amendment to the Contract. The Contractor must assert its right to an adjustment within thirty (30) calendar days from the date of receipt of the notice of delay. Failure to agree on any adjusted price shall be handled under the Dispute Resolution process specified in paragraph 48. However, nothing in this provision shall excuse the Contractor from delaying the delivery as notified.
- B. Neither party shall be liable for any default or delay in the performance of its obligations under this Contract if, while and to the extent such default or delay is caused by acts of God, fire, riots, civil commotion, labor disruptions, sabotage, sovereign conduct, or any other cause beyond the reasonable control of such Party. In the event of default or delay in contract performance due to any of the foregoing causes, then the time for completion of the services will be extended; provided, however, in such an event, a conference will be held within three (3) business days to establish a mutually agreeable period of time reasonably necessary to overcome the effect of such failure to perform.

**31. INDEMNITY:**

- A. Definitions:
  - i. "Indemnified Claims" shall include any and all claims, demands, suits, causes of action, judgments and liability of every character, type or description, including all reasonable costs and expenses of litigation, mediation or other alternate dispute resolution mechanism, including attorney and other professional fees for:
    - (1) damage to or loss of the property of any person (including, but not limited to the City, the Contractor, their respective agents, officers, employees and subcontractors; the officers, agents, and employees of such subcontractors; and third parties); and/or
    - (2) death, bodily injury, illness, disease, worker's compensation, loss of services, or loss of income or wages to any person (including but not limited to the agents, officers and employees of the City, the Contractor, the Contractor's subcontractors, and third parties),
  - ii. "Fault" shall include the sale of defective or non-conforming Deliverables, negligence, willful misconduct, or a breach of any legally imposed strict liability standard.
- B. **THE CONTRACTOR SHALL DEFEND (AT THE OPTION OF THE CITY), INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD THE CITY, ITS SUCCESSORS, ASSIGNS, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES AND ELECTED OFFICIALS HARMLESS FROM AND AGAINST ALL INDEMNIFIED CLAIMS DIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF, INCIDENT TO, CONCERNING OR RESULTING FROM THE FAULT OF THE CONTRACTOR, OR THE CONTRACTOR'S AGENTS, EMPLOYEES OR SUBCONTRACTORS, IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THE CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE CONTRACT. NOTHING HEREIN SHALL BE DEEMED TO LIMIT THE RIGHTS OF THE CITY OR THE CONTRACTOR (INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE RIGHT TO SEEK CONTRIBUTION) AGAINST ANY THIRD PARTY WHO MAY BE LIABLE FOR AN INDEMNIFIED CLAIM.**

**32. INSURANCE:** (reference Section 0400 for specific coverage requirements). The following insurance requirement applies. (Revised March 2013).

- A. General Requirements.
  - i. The Contractor shall at a minimum carry insurance in the types and amounts indicated in Section 0400, Supplemental Purchase Provisions, for the duration of the Contract, including extension options and hold over periods, and during any warranty period.
  - ii. The Contractor shall provide Certificates of Insurance with the coverages and endorsements required in Section 0400, Supplemental Purchase Provisions, to the City as verification of coverage prior to contract execution and within fourteen (14) calendar days after written request from the

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City. Failure to provide the required Certificate of Insurance may subject the Offer to disqualification from consideration for award. The Contractor must also forward a Certificate of Insurance to the City whenever a previously identified policy period has expired, or an extension option or hold over period is exercised, as verification of continuing coverage.

- iii. The Contractor shall not commence work until the required insurance is obtained and until such insurance has been reviewed by the City. Approval of insurance by the City shall not relieve or decrease the liability of the Contractor hereunder and shall not be construed to be a limitation of liability on the part of the Contractor.
- iv. The City may request that the Contractor submit certificates of insurance to the City for all subcontractors prior to the subcontractors commencing work on the project.
- v. The Contractor's and all subcontractors' insurance coverage shall be written by companies licensed to do business in the State of Texas at the time the policies are issued and shall be written by companies with A.M. Best ratings of B+VII or better.
- vi. The "other" insurance clause shall not apply to the City where the City is an additional insured shown on any policy. It is intended that policies required in the Contract, covering both the City and the Contractor, shall be considered primary coverage as applicable.
- vii. If insurance policies are not written for amounts specified in Section 0400, Supplemental Purchase Provisions, the Contractor shall carry Umbrella or Excess Liability Insurance for any differences in amounts specified. If Excess Liability Insurance is provided, it shall follow the form of the primary coverage.
- viii. The City shall be entitled, upon request, at an agreed upon location, and without expense, to review certified copies of policies and endorsements thereto and may make any reasonable requests for deletion or revision or modification of particular policy terms, conditions, limitations, or exclusions except where policy provisions are established by law or regulations binding upon either of the parties hereto or the underwriter on any such policies.
- ix. The City reserves the right to review the insurance requirements set forth during the effective period of the Contract and to make reasonable adjustments to insurance coverage, limits, and exclusions when deemed necessary and prudent by the City based upon changes in statutory law, court decisions, the claims history of the industry or financial condition of the insurance company as well as the Contractor.
- x. The Contractor shall not cause any insurance to be canceled nor permit any insurance to lapse during the term of the Contract or as required in the Contract.
- xi. The Contractor shall be responsible for premiums, deductibles and self-insured retentions, if any, stated in policies. Self-insured retentions shall be disclosed on the Certificate of Insurance.
- xii. The Contractor shall provide the City thirty (30) calendar days' written notice of erosion of the aggregate limits below occurrence limits for all applicable coverages indicated within the Contract.
- xiii. The insurance coverages specified in Section 0400, Supplemental Purchase Provisions, are required minimums and are not intended to limit the responsibility or liability of the Contractor.

**B. Specific Coverage Requirements:** Specific insurance requirements are contained in Section 0400, Supplemental Purchase Provisions

33. **CLAIMS:** If any claim, demand, suit, or other action is asserted against the Contractor which arises under or concerns the Contract, or which could have a material adverse affect on the Contractor's ability to perform thereunder, the Contractor shall give written notice thereof to the City within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of notice by the

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Contractor. Such notice to the City shall state the date of notification of any such claim, demand, suit, or other action; the names and addresses of the claimant(s); the basis thereof; and the name of each person against whom such claim is being asserted. Such notice shall be delivered personally or by mail and shall be sent to the City and to the Austin City Attorney. Personal delivery to the City Attorney shall be to City Hall, 301 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Austin, Texas 78701, and mail delivery shall be to P.O. Box 1088, Austin, Texas 78767.

34. **NOTICES**: Unless otherwise specified, all notices, requests, or other communications required or appropriate to be given under the Contract shall be in writing and shall be deemed delivered three (3) business days after postmarked if sent by U.S. Postal Service Certified or Registered Mail, Return Receipt Requested. Notices delivered by other means shall be deemed delivered upon receipt by the addressee. Routine communications may be made by first class mail, telefax, or other commercially accepted means. Notices to the Contractor shall be sent to the address specified in the Contractor's Offer, or at such other address as a party may notify the other in writing. Notices to the City shall be addressed to the City at P.O. Box 1088, Austin, Texas 78767 and marked to the attention of the Contract Administrator.
35. **RIGHTS TO BID, PROPOSAL AND CONTRACTUAL MATERIAL**: All material submitted by the Contractor to the City shall become property of the City upon receipt. Any portions of such material claimed by the Contractor to be proprietary must be clearly marked as such. Determination of the public nature of the material is subject to the Texas Public Information Act, Chapter 552, Texas Government Code.
36. **NO WARRANTY BY CITY AGAINST INFRINGEMENTS**: The Contractor represents and warrants to the City that: (i) the Contractor shall provide the City good and indefeasible title to the Deliverables and (ii) the Deliverables supplied by the Contractor in accordance with the specifications in the Contract will not infringe, directly or contributorily, any patent, trademark, copyright, trade secret, or any other intellectual property right of any kind of any third party; that no claims have been made by any person or entity with respect to the ownership or operation of the Deliverables and the Contractor does not know of any valid basis for any such claims. The Contractor shall, at its sole expense, defend, indemnify, and hold the City harmless from and against all liability, damages, and costs (including court costs and reasonable fees of attorneys and other professionals) arising out of or resulting from: (i) any claim that the City's exercise anywhere in the world of the rights associated with the City's ownership, and if applicable, license rights, and its use of the Deliverables infringes the intellectual property rights of any third party; or (ii) the Contractor's breach of any of Contractor's representations or warranties stated in this Contract. In the event of any such claim, the City shall have the right to monitor such claim or at its option engage its own separate counsel to act as co-counsel on the City's behalf. Further, Contractor agrees that the City's specifications regarding the Deliverables shall in no way diminish Contractor's warranties or obligations under this paragraph and the City makes no warranty that the production, development, or delivery of such Deliverables will not impact such warranties of Contractor.
37. **CONFIDENTIALITY**: In order to provide the Deliverables to the City, Contractor may require access to certain of the City's and/or its licensors' confidential information (including inventions, employee information, trade secrets, confidential know-how, confidential business information, and other information which the City or its licensors consider confidential) (collectively, "Confidential Information"). Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the Confidential Information is the valuable property of the City and/or its licensors and any unauthorized use, disclosure, dissemination, or other release of the Confidential Information will substantially injure the City and/or its licensors. The Contractor (including its employees, subcontractors, agents, or representatives) agrees that it will maintain the Confidential Information in strict confidence and shall not disclose, disseminate, copy, divulge, recreate, or otherwise use the Confidential Information without the prior written consent of the City or in a manner not expressly permitted under this Agreement, unless the Confidential Information is required to be disclosed by law or an order of any court or other governmental authority with proper jurisdiction, provided the Contractor promptly notifies the City before disclosing such information so as to permit the City reasonable time to seek an appropriate protective order. The Contractor agrees to use protective measures no less stringent than the Contractor uses within its own business to protect its own most valuable information, which protective measures shall under all circumstances be at least reasonable measures to ensure the continued confidentiality of the Confidential Information.
38. **PUBLICATIONS**: All published material and written reports submitted under the Contract must be originally developed material unless otherwise specifically provided in the Contract. When material not originally developed is included in a report in any form, the source shall be identified.

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39. **ADVERTISING**: The Contractor shall not advertise or publish, without the City's prior consent, the fact that the City has entered into the Contract, except to the extent required by law.
40. **NO CONTINGENT FEES**: The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure the Contract upon any agreement or understanding for commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees of bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty, the City shall have the right, in addition to any other remedy available, to cancel the Contract without liability and to deduct from any amounts owed to the Contractor, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.
41. **GRATUITIES**: The City may, by written notice to the Contractor, cancel the Contract without liability if it is determined by the City that gratuities were offered or given by the Contractor or any agent or representative of the Contractor to any officer or employee of the City of Austin with a view toward securing the Contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to the awarding or amending or the making of any determinations with respect to the performing of such contract. In the event the Contract is canceled by the City pursuant to this provision, the City shall be entitled, in addition to any other rights and remedies, to recover or withhold the amount of the cost incurred by the Contractor in providing such gratuities.
42. **PROHIBITION AGAINST PERSONAL INTEREST IN CONTRACTS**: No officer, employee, independent consultant, or elected official of the City who is involved in the development, evaluation, or decision-making process of the performance of any solicitation shall have a financial interest, direct or indirect, in the Contract resulting from that solicitation. Any willful violation of this section shall constitute impropriety in office, and any officer or employee guilty thereof shall be subject to disciplinary action up to and including dismissal. Any violation of this provision, with the knowledge, expressed or implied, of the Contractor shall render the Contract voidable by the City.
43. **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**: The Contract shall not be construed as creating an employer/employee relationship, a partnership, or a joint venture. The Contractor's services shall be those of an independent contractor. The Contractor agrees and understands that the Contract does not grant any rights or privileges established for employees of the City.
44. **ASSIGNMENT-DELEGATION**: The Contract shall be binding upon and enure to the benefit of the City and the Contractor and their respective successors and assigns, provided however, that no right or interest in the Contract shall be assigned and no obligation shall be delegated by the Contractor without the prior written consent of the City. Any attempted assignment or delegation by the Contractor shall be void unless made in conformity with this paragraph. The Contract is not intended to confer rights or benefits on any person, firm or entity not a party hereto; it being the intention of the parties that there be no third party beneficiaries to the Contract.
45. **WAIVER**: No claim or right arising out of a breach of the Contract can be discharged in whole or in part by a waiver or renunciation of the claim or right unless the waiver or renunciation is supported by consideration and is in writing signed by the aggrieved party. No waiver by either the Contractor or the City of any one or more events of default by the other party shall operate as, or be construed to be, a permanent waiver of any rights or obligations under the Contract, or an express or implied acceptance of any other existing or future default or defaults, whether of a similar or different character.
46. **MODIFICATIONS**: The Contract can be modified or amended only by a writing signed by both parties. No pre-printed or similar terms on any the Contractor invoice, order or other document shall have any force or effect to change the terms, covenants, and conditions of the Contract.
47. **INTERPRETATION**: The Contract is intended by the parties as a final, complete and exclusive statement of the terms of their agreement. No course of prior dealing between the parties or course of performance or usage of the trade shall be relevant to supplement or explain any term used in the Contract. Although the Contract may have been substantially drafted by one party, it is the intent of the parties that all provisions be construed in a manner to be fair to both parties, reading no provisions more strictly against one party or the other. Whenever a term defined by the Uniform Commercial Code, as enacted by the State of Texas, is used in the Contract, the UCC definition shall control, unless otherwise defined in the Contract.

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**48. DISPUTE RESOLUTION:**

- A. If a dispute arises out of or relates to the Contract, or the breach thereof, the parties agree to negotiate prior to prosecuting a suit for damages. However, this section does not prohibit the filing of a lawsuit to toll the running of a statute of limitations or to seek injunctive relief. Either party may make a written request for a meeting between representatives of each party within fourteen (14) calendar days after receipt of the request or such later period as agreed by the parties. Each party shall include, at a minimum, one (1) senior level individual with decision-making authority regarding the dispute. The purpose of this and any subsequent meeting is to attempt in good faith to negotiate a resolution of the dispute. If, within thirty (30) calendar days after such meeting, the parties have not succeeded in negotiating a resolution of the dispute, they will proceed directly to mediation as described below. Negotiation may be waived by a written agreement signed by both parties, in which event the parties may proceed directly to mediation as described below.
- B. If the efforts to resolve the dispute through negotiation fail, or the parties waive the negotiation process, the parties may select, within thirty (30) calendar days, a mediator trained in mediation skills to assist with resolution of the dispute. Should they choose this option, the City and the Contractor agree to act in good faith in the selection of the mediator and to give consideration to qualified individuals nominated to act as mediator. Nothing in the Contract prevents the parties from relying on the skills of a person who is trained in the subject matter of the dispute or a contract interpretation expert. If the parties fail to agree on a mediator within thirty (30) calendar days of initiation of the mediation process, the mediator shall be selected by the Travis County Dispute Resolution Center (DRC). The parties agree to participate in mediation in good faith for up to thirty (30) calendar days from the date of the first mediation session. The City and the Contractor will share the mediator's fees equally and the parties will bear their own costs of participation such as fees for any consultants or attorneys they may utilize to represent them or otherwise assist them in the mediation.

49. **JURISDICTION AND VENUE:** The Contract is made under and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas, including, when applicable, the Uniform Commercial Code as adopted in Texas, V.T.C.A., Bus. & Comm. Code, Chapter 1, excluding any rule or principle that would refer to and apply the substantive law of another state or jurisdiction. All issues arising from this Contract shall be resolved in the courts of Travis County, Texas and the parties agree to submit to the exclusive personal jurisdiction of such courts. The foregoing, however, shall not be construed or interpreted to limit or restrict the right or ability of the City to seek and secure injunctive relief from any competent authority as contemplated herein.

50. **INVALIDITY:** The invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability of any provision of the Contract shall in no way affect the validity or enforceability of any other portion or provision of the Contract. Any void provision shall be deemed severed from the Contract and the balance of the Contract shall be construed and enforced as if the Contract did not contain the particular portion or provision held to be void. The parties further agree to reform the Contract to replace any stricken provision with a valid provision that comes as close as possible to the intent of the stricken provision. The provisions of this section shall not prevent this entire Contract from being void should a provision which is the essence of the Contract be determined to be void.

51. **HOLIDAYS:** The following holidays are observed by the City:

| <u>Holiday</u>                     | <u>Date Observed</u>      |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| New Year's Day                     | January 1                 |
| Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday | Third Monday in January   |
| President's Day                    | Third Monday in February  |
| Memorial Day                       | Last Monday in May        |
| Independence Day                   | July 4                    |
| Labor Day                          | First Monday in September |
| Veteran's Day                      | November 11               |



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| Thanksgiving Day          | Fourth Thursday in November |
| Friday after Thanksgiving | Friday after Thanksgiving   |
| Christmas Eve             | December 24                 |
| Christmas Day             | December 25                 |

If a Legal Holiday falls on Saturday, it will be observed on the preceding Friday. If a Legal Holiday falls on Sunday, it will be observed on the following Monday.

52. **SURVIVABILITY OF OBLIGATIONS:** All provisions of the Contract that impose continuing obligations on the parties, including but not limited to the warranty, indemnity, and confidentiality obligations of the parties, shall survive the expiration or termination of the Contract.

53. **NON-SUSPENSION OR DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION:**

The City of Austin is prohibited from contracting with or making prime or sub-awards to parties that are suspended or debarred or whose principals are suspended or debarred from Federal, State, or City of Austin Contracts. By accepting a Contract with the City, the Vendor certifies that its firm and its principals are not currently suspended or debarred from doing business with the Federal Government, as indicated by the General Services Administration List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Non-Procurement Programs, the State of Texas, or the City of Austin.

54. **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY**

A. **Equal Employment Opportunity:** No Contractor, or Contractor's agent, shall engage in any discriminatory employment practice as defined in Chapter 5-4 of the City Code. No Offer submitted to the City shall be considered, nor any Purchase Order issued, or any Contract awarded by the City unless the Offeror has executed and filed with the City Purchasing Office a current Non-Discrimination Certification. Non-compliance with Chapter 5-4 of the City Code may result in sanctions, including termination of the contract and the Contractor's suspension or debarment from participation on future City contracts until deemed compliant with Chapter 5-4.

B. **Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Compliance:** No Contractor, or Contractor's agent, shall engage in any discriminatory practice against individuals with disabilities as defined in the ADA, including but not limited to: employment, accessibility to goods and services, reasonable accommodations, and effective communications.

55. **INTERESTED PARTIES DISCLOSURE**

As a condition to entering the Contract, the Business Entity constituting the Offeror must provide the following disclosure of Interested Parties to the City prior to the award of a contract with the City on Form 1295 "Certificate of Interested Parties" as prescribed by the Texas Ethics Commission for any contract award requiring council authorization. The Certificate of Interested Parties Form must be completed on the Texas Ethics Commission website, printed, and signed by the authorized agent of the Business Entity with acknowledgment that disclosure is made under oath and under penalty of perjury. The City will submit the "Certificate of Interested Parties" to the Texas Ethics Commission within 30 days of receipt from the successful Offeror. The Offeror is reminded that the provisions of Local Government Code 176, regarding conflicts of interest between the bidders and local officials remains in place. Link to Texas Ethics Commission Form 1295 process and procedures below:

[https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf\\_info\\_form1295.htm](https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf_info_form1295.htm)

56. **BUY AMERICAN ACT-SUPPLIES (Applicable to certain Federally funded requirements)**

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- A. Definitions. As used in this paragraph –
- i. "Component" means an article, material, or supply incorporated directly into an end product.
  - ii. "Cost of components" means -
    - (1) For components purchased by the Contractor, the acquisition cost, including transportation costs to the place of incorporation into the end product (whether or not such costs are paid to a domestic firm), and any applicable duty (whether or not a duty-free entry certificate is issued); or
    - (2) For components manufactured by the Contractor, all costs associated with the manufacture of the component, including transportation costs as described in paragraph (1) of this definition, plus allocable overhead costs, but excluding profit. Cost of components does not include any costs associated with the manufacture of the end product.
  - iii. "Domestic end product" means-
    - (1) An unmanufactured end product mined or produced in the United States; or
    - (2) An end product manufactured in the United States, if the cost of its components mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States exceeds 50 percent of the cost of all its components. Components of foreign origin of the same class or kind as those that the agency determines are not mined, produced, or manufactured in sufficient and reasonably available commercial quantities of a satisfactory quality are treated as domestic. Scrap generated, collected, and prepared for processing in the United States is considered domestic.
  - iv. "End product" means those articles, materials, and supplies to be acquired under the contract for public use.
  - v. "Foreign end product" means an end product other than a domestic end product.
  - vi. "United States" means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and outlying areas.
- B. The Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. 10a - 10d) provides a preference for domestic end products for supplies acquired for use in the United States.
- C. The City does not maintain a list of foreign articles that will be treated as domestic for this Contract; but will consider for approval foreign articles as domestic for this product if the articles are on a list approved by another Governmental Agency. The Offeror shall submit documentation with their Offer demonstrating that the article is on an approved Governmental list.
- D. The Contractor shall deliver only domestic end products except to the extent that it specified delivery of foreign end products in the provision of the Solicitation entitled "Buy American Act Certificate".

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The following Supplemental Purchasing Provisions apply to this solicitation:

1. **EXPLANATIONS OR CLARIFICATIONS:** (reference paragraph 5 in Section 0200)

All requests for explanations or clarifications must be submitted in writing to the Purchasing Office, four business days prior to quote closing date and time, either by fax at 512-974-2388 or via e-mail at [irene.sanchez-rocha@austintexas.gov](mailto:irene.sanchez-rocha@austintexas.gov)

2. **ALTERNATE OFFERS:** (reference paragraph 7A in Section 0200)

Alternate Offers will NOT be considered.

3. **INSURANCE:** Insurance is required for this solicitation.

A. **General Requirements:** See Section 0300, Standard Purchase Terms and Conditions, paragraph 32, entitled Insurance, for general insurance requirements.

- i. The Contractor shall provide a Certificate of Insurance as verification of coverages required below to the City at the below address prior to contract execution and within 14 calendar days after written request from the City. Failure to provide the required Certificate of Insurance may subject the Offer to disqualification from consideration for award
- ii. The Contractor shall not commence work until the required insurance is obtained and until such insurance has been reviewed by the City. Approval of insurance by the City shall not relieve or decrease the liability of the Contractor hereunder and shall not be construed to be a limitation of liability on the part of the Contractor.
- iii. The Contractor must also forward a Certificate of Insurance to the City whenever a previously identified policy period has expired, or an extension option or holdover period is exercised, as verification of continuing coverage.
- iv. The Certificate of Insurance, and updates, shall be mailed to the following address:

City of Austin Purchasing Office  
P. O. Box 1088  
Austin, Texas 78767

B. **Specific Coverage Requirements:** The Contractor shall at a minimum carry insurance in the types and amounts indicated below for the duration of the Contract, including extension options and hold over periods, and during any warranty period. These insurance coverages are required minimums and are not intended to limit the responsibility or liability of the Contractor.

- i. **Worker's Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance:** Coverage shall be consistent with statutory benefits outlined in the Texas Worker's Compensation Act (Section 401). The minimum policy limits for Employer's Liability are \$100,000 bodily injury each accident, \$500,000 bodily injury by disease policy limit and \$100,000 bodily injury by disease each employee.
  - (1) The Contractor's policy shall apply to the State of Texas and include these endorsements in favor of the City of Austin:
    - (a) Waiver of Subrogation, Form WC420304, or equivalent coverage
    - (b) Thirty (30) days Notice of Cancellation, Form WC420601, or equivalent coverage
- ii. **Commercial General Liability Insurance:** The minimum bodily injury and property damage per occurrence are \$500,000 for coverages A (Bodily Injury and Property Damage) and B (Personal and Advertising Injury).
  - (1) The policy shall contain the following provisions:
    - (a) Contractual liability coverage for liability assumed under the Contract and all other Contracts related to the project.
    - (b) Contractor/Subcontracted Work.

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- (c) Products/Completed Operations Liability for the duration of the warranty period.
      - (d) If the project involves digging or drilling provisions must be included that provide Explosion, Collapse, and/or Underground Coverage.
    - (2) The policy shall also include these endorsements in favor of the City of Austin:
      - (a) Waiver of Subrogation, Endorsement CG 2404, or equivalent coverage
      - (b) Thirty (30) days Notice of Cancellation, Endorsement CG 0205, or equivalent coverage
      - (c) The City of Austin listed as an additional insured, Endorsement CG 2010, or equivalent coverage
  - iii. **Business Automobile Liability Insurance:** The Contractor shall provide coverage for all owned, non-owned and hired vehicles with a minimum combined single limit of \$500,000 per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage. Alternate acceptable limits are \$250,000 bodily injury per person, \$500,000 bodily injury per occurrence and at least \$100,000 property damage liability per accident.
    - (1) The policy shall include these endorsements in favor of the City of Austin:
      - (a) Waiver of Subrogation, Endorsement CA0444, or equivalent coverage
      - (b) Thirty (30) days Notice of Cancellation, Endorsement CA0244, or equivalent coverage
      - (c) The City of Austin listed as an additional insured, Endorsement CA2048, or equivalent coverage.
- C. **Endorsements:** The specific insurance coverage endorsements specified above, or their equivalents must be provided. In the event that endorsements, which are the equivalent of the required coverage, are proposed to be substituted for the required coverage, copies of the equivalent endorsements must be provided for the City's review and approval.
4. **TERM OF CONTRACT:**
- A. The Contract shall be in effect for an initial term of thirty-six months and may be extended thereafter for up to two additional twelve month periods, subject to the approval of the Contractor and the City Purchasing Officer or his designee.
  - B. Upon expiration of the initial term or period of extension, the Contractor agrees to hold over under the terms and conditions of this agreement for such a period of time as is reasonably necessary to re-solicit and/or complete the project (not to exceed 120 days unless mutually agreed on in writing).
  - C. Upon written notice to the Contractor from the City's Purchasing Officer or his designee and acceptance of the Contractor, the term of this contract shall be extended on the same terms and conditions for an additional period as indicated in paragraph A above.
  - D. Prices are firm and fixed for the first twelve months. Thereafter, price changes are subject to the Economic Price Adjustment provisions of this Contract.
5. **QUANTITIES:** The quantities listed herein are estimates for the period of the Contract. The City reserves the right to purchase more or less of these quantities as may be required during the Contract term. Quantities will be as needed and specified by the City for each order. Unless specified in the solicitation, there are no minimum order quantities.
6. **DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS:**
- |   |   |
|---|---|
| Location:<br>Austin Water Quality Laboratory<br>14050 Summit Dr. Suite 121<br>Austin, TX 78728-7101 | Days: Monday – Friday 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. |
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- A. Delivery is to be made as stated in specification within two calendar days after the order is placed (either verbally or in writing). All orders must be shipped complete unless arrangements for partial shipments are made in advance.
  - B. The Contractor shall provide, with each delivery, a Shipping or Delivery Ticket showing the description of each item, quantity, and unit price.
  - C. The Contractor shall confirm the quantity to be shipped on all orders within two (2) hours of notification by phone from the City.
  - D. Unless requested by the City, deliveries shall not be made on City-recognized legal holidays (see paragraph 51 in Section 0300).

7. **INVOICES and PAYMENT:** (reference paragraphs 12 and 13 in Section 0300)

- A. Invoices shall contain a unique invoice number and the information required in Section 0300, paragraph 12, entitled "Invoices." Invoices received without all required information cannot be processed and will be returned to the vendor.

Invoices shall be mailed to the below address:

|                      |                            |
|----------------------|----------------------------|
|                      | City of Austin             |
| Department           | Austin Water               |
| Attn:                | Water Quality Laboratory   |
| Address              | 14050 Summit Dr. Suite 121 |
| City, State Zip Code | Austin, Texas 78728-7101   |

- B. The Contractor agrees to accept payment by either credit card, check or Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) for all goods and/or services provided under the Contract. The Contractor shall factor the cost of processing credit card payments into the Offer. There shall be no additional charges, surcharges, or penalties to the City for payments made by credit card.

8. **MATERIALS SPECIFICATIONS/DESCRIPTIVE LITERATURE:**

- A. If a solicitation refers to a Qualified Products List (QPL), Standard Products List (SPL) or a manufacturer's name and product, any Offeror offering products not referenced in the solicitation must submit as part of their Offer materials specifications/descriptive literature for the non-referenced product. Materials specifications/descriptive literature must be identified to show the item(s) in the Offer to which it applies.
- B. Materials specifications/descriptive literature are defined as product manufacturer's catalog pages, "cut sheets" applicable tests results, or related detailed documents that specify material construction, performance parameters, and any industrial standards that are applicable such as ANSI, ASTM, ASME, SAE, NFPA, NBS, EIA, ESL, and NSA. The submitted materials specifications/descriptive literature must include the manufacturer's name and product number of the product being offered.
- C. The failure of the materials specifications/descriptive literature to show that the product offered conforms to the requirements of the Solicitation shall result in rejection of the Offer.

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- D. Failure to submit the materials specifications/descriptive literature as part of the Offer may subject the Offer to disqualification from consideration for award.

**9. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS:**

- A. If this Solicitation involves hazardous materials, the Offeror shall furnish with the Offer Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS), (OSHA Form 20), on all chemicals and hazardous materials specifying the generic and trade name of product, product specification, and full hazard information including receiving and storage hazards. Instructions, special equipment needed for handling, information on approved containers, and instructions for the disposal of the material are also required.
- B. Failure to submit the MSDS as part of the Offer may subject the Offer to disqualification from consideration for award.
- C. The MSDS, instructions and information required in paragraph "A" must be included with each shipment under the contract.

**10. PUBLISHED PRICE LISTS:**

- A. Offerors may quote using published price lists in the following ways:
- i. Offerors may quote one discount from a Published Price List for all offered items to be covered in the Contract. The discount must remain firm during the life of the Contract.
  - ii. Offerors may quote their dealer cost, plus a percentage markup to be added to the cost. The percentage markup must remain firm during the life of the contract.
- B. Two (2) copies of the list upon which the discounts or markups are based shall be submitted with the Offer. All price lists identified in the Offer shall clearly include the Offeror's name and address, the solicitation number, prices, title of the discount and number, and the latest effective date of the price list. If the Offer is based on a discount or markup on a manufacturer's price list, the price list must also include the manufacturer's name, the manufacturer's latest effective date, and the manufacturer's price schedule. All price lists submitted become part of the Offer.
- C. The price list may be superseded or replaced during the Contract term only if price revisions are the result of the manufacturer's official price list revision. Written notification from the Contractor of price changes, along with two (2) copies of the revised list must be submitted to the Buyer in the Purchasing Office with the effective date of change to be at least                      calendar days (30 unless a different period is inserted) after written notification. The City reserves the right to refuse any list revision.
- D. The discounts or markups on equipment rental, material, supplies, parts, and contract services shall be fixed throughout the term of the Contract, and are not subject to increase.
- E. Failure to submit written notification of price list revisions will result in the rejection of new prices being invoiced. The City will only pay invoices according to the last approved price list.

**11. WORKFORCE SECURITY CLEARANCE AND IDENTIFICATION (ID):**

- A. Access to the Austin Water Department building by the Contractor, all subcontractors and their employees will be strictly controlled at all times by the City. Security badges will be issued by the Department for this purpose. The Contractor shall submit a complete list of all persons requiring access to the Austin Water building at least thirty (30) days in advance of their need for access. The City reserves the right to deny a security badge to any Contractor personnel for reasonable cause. The City will notify the Contractor of any such denial no more than twenty (20) days after receipt of the Contractor's submittal.



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- B. Where denial of access by a particular person may cause the Contractor to be unable to perform any portion of the work of the contract, the Contractor shall so notify the City's Contract Manager, in writing, within ten (10) days of the receipt of notification of denial.
  - C. Contractor personnel will be required to check in at the security desk when entering or leaving the Austin Water building and security badges must be on display at all times when in the building. Failure to do so may be cause for removal of Contractor Personnel from the worksite, without regard to Contractor's schedule. Security badges may not be removed from the premises.
  - D. The Contractor shall provide the City's Contract Manager with a list of personnel scheduled to enter the building, seven days in advance. The list shall identify the persons by name, date of birth, driver's license number, the times that they will be inside the building and the areas where they will be working. Only persons previously approved by the City for the issuance of security badges will be admitted to the building.
  - E. The Contractor shall comply with all other security requirements imposed by the City and shall ensure that all employees and subcontractors are kept fully informed as to these requirements.
12. **MONTHLY SUBCONTRACT AWARDS AND EXPENDITURES REPORT:** (reference paragraph 18 in Section 0300) (applicable when an MBE/WBE Compliance Plan is required)
- A. The Contractor must submit a monthly Subcontract Awards and Expenditures Report to the Contract Manager specified herein and to the Purchasing Office Contract Compliance Manager no later than the tenth calendar day of each month.
  - B. Mail the Purchasing Office Copy of the report to the following address:  
  
City of Austin  
Purchasing Office  
Attn: Contract Compliance Manager  
P. O. Box 1088  
Austin, Texas 78767
13. **ECONOMIC PRICE ADJUSTMENT:**
- A. **Price Adjustments:** Prices shown in this Contract shall remain firm for the first twelve months of the Contract. After that, in recognition of the potential for fluctuation of the Contractor's cost, a price adjustment (increase or decrease) may be requested by either the City or the Contractor on the anniversary date of the Contract or as may otherwise be specified herein. The percentage change between the contract price and the requested price shall not exceed the percentage change between the specified index in effect on the date the solicitation closed and the most recent, non-preliminary data at the time the price adjustment is requested. The requested price adjustment shall not exceed twenty-five percent (25%) for any single line item and in no event shall the total amount of the contract be automatically adjusted as a result of the change in one or more line items made pursuant to this provision. Prices for products or services unaffected by verifiable cost trends shall not be subject to adjustment.
  - B. **Effective Date:** Approved price adjustments will go into effect on the first day of the upcoming renewal period or anniversary date of contract award and remain in effect until contract expiration unless changed by subsequent amendment.
  - C. **Adjustments:** A request for price adjustment must be made in writing and submitted to the other Party prior to the yearly anniversary date of the Contract; adjustments may only be considered at that time unless otherwise specified herein. Requested adjustments must be solely for the purpose of

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accommodating changes in the Contractor's direct costs. Contractor shall provide an updated price listing once agreed to adjustment(s) have been approved by the parties.

- D. **Indexes:** In most cases an index from the Bureau of Labor Standards (BLS) will be utilized; however, if there is more appropriate, industry recognized standard then that index may be selected.
- i. The following definitions apply:
- (1) **Base Period:** Month and year of the original contracted price (the solicitation close date).
  - (2) **Base Price:** Initial price quoted, proposed and/or contracted per unit of measure.
  - (3) **Adjusted Price:** Base Price after it has been adjusted in accordance with the applicable index change and instructions provided.
  - (4) **Change Factor:** The multiplier utilized to adjust the Base Price to the Adjusted Price.
  - (5) **Weight %:** The percent of the Base Price subject to adjustment based on an index change.
- ii. **Adjustment-Request Review:** Each adjustment-request received will be reviewed and compared to changes in the index(es) identified below. Where applicable:
- (1) Utilize final Compilation data instead of Preliminary data
  - (2) If the referenced index is no longer available shift up to the next higher category index.
- iii. **Index Identification:** Complete table as they may apply.

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|---|--|
| Weight % or \$ of Base Price: 100%  |  |
| Database Name: Bureau of Labor Statistics   |  |
| Series ID: CIU2020000430000A  |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Seasonally Adjusted   | <input type="checkbox"/> Seasonally Adjusted |
| Geographical Area: National   |  |
| Description of Series ID: Wages and salaries for Private industry workers in Installation, maintenance, and repair, 12-month percent change |  |
| This Index shall apply to the following items of the Bid Sheet / Cost Proposal: All   |  |

- E. **Calculation:** Price adjustment will be calculated as follows:

**Single Index:** Adjust the Base Price by the same factor calculated for the index change.

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| Index at time of calculation                |
| Divided by index on solicitation close date |
| Equals Change Factor                        |
| Multiplied by the Base Rate                 |
| Equals the Adjusted Price                   |

- F. If the requested adjustment is not supported by the referenced index, the City, at its sole discretion, may consider approving an adjustment on fully documented market increases.

14. **INTERLOCAL PURCHASING AGREEMENTS:** (applicable to competitively procured goods/services contracts).

- A. The City has entered into Interlocal Purchasing Agreements with other governmental entities, pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code. The Contractor agrees to offer the same prices and terms and conditions to other eligible governmental agencies that have an interlocal agreement with the City.

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- B. The City does not accept any responsibility or liability for the purchases by other governmental agencies through an interlocal cooperative agreement.
15. **OWNERSHIP AND USE OF DELIVERABLES:** The City shall own all rights, titles, and interests throughout the world in and to the Deliverables.
- A. **Patents:** As to any patentable subject matter contained in the Deliverables, the Contractor agrees to disclose such patentable subject matter to the City. Further, if requested by the City, the Contractor agrees to assign and, if necessary, cause each of its employees to assign the entire right, title, and interest to specific inventions under such patentable subject matter to the City and to execute, acknowledge, and deliver and, if necessary, cause each of its employees to execute, acknowledge, and deliver an assignment of letters patent, in a form to be reasonably approved by the City, to the City upon request by the City.
- B. **Copyrights:** As to any Deliverable containing copyrighted subject matter, the Contractor agrees that upon their creation, such Deliverables shall be considered as work made-for-hire by the Contractor for the City and the City shall own all copyrights in and to such Deliverables, provided however, that nothing in this Paragraph 36 shall negate the City's sole or joint ownership of any such Deliverables arising by virtue of the City's sole or joint authorship of such Deliverables. Should by operation of law, such Deliverables not be considered work made-for-hire, the Contractor hereby assigns to the City (and agrees to cause each of its employees providing services to the City hereunder to execute, acknowledge, and deliver an assignment to the City of Austin) all worldwide right, title, and interest in and to such Deliverables. With respect to such work made-for-hire, the Contractor agrees to execute, acknowledge and deliver and cause each of its employees providing services to the City hereunder to execute, acknowledge, and deliver a work-for-hire agreement, in a form to be reasonably approved by the City, to the City upon delivery of such Deliverables to the City or at such other time as the City may request.
- C. **Additional Assignments:** The Contractor further agrees to, and if applicable, cause each of its employees to execute, acknowledge, and deliver all applications, specifications, oaths, assignments, and all other instruments which the City might reasonably deem necessary in order to apply for and obtain copyright protection, mask work registration, trademark registration and/or protection, letters patent, or any similar rights in any and all countries and in order to assign and convey to the City, its successors, assigns, and nominees, the sole and exclusive right, title, and interest in and to the Deliverables, The Contractor's obligations to execute acknowledge, and deliver (or cause to be executed, acknowledged, and delivered) instruments or papers such as those described in this Paragraph 36 A., B., and C. shall continue after the termination of this Contract with respect to such Deliverables. In the event the City should not seek to obtain copyright protection, mask work registration or patent protection for any of the Deliverables, but should arise to keep the same secret, the Contractor agrees to treat the same as Confidential Information under the terms of Paragraph above.
16. **CONTRACT MANAGER:** The following person is designated as Contract Manager, and will act as the contact point between the City and the Contractor during the term of the Contract:

Virginia Soto-Reynolds

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512-972-0337

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Virginia.soto-reynolds@austintexas.gov

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# ***Scope of Work***

**SOLICITATION NO. ISR0418**

## **Description:**

### **PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES FOR LABORATORY EQUIPMENT- TRUE DUAL BEAM SPECTROPHOTOMETER**

#### **1.0 Purpose**

The City of Austin (City) Austin Water (AW) hereinafter referred to as “City”, seeks bids in response to this solicitation to establish a contract with a qualified and experienced Vendor hereinafter referred to as “Contractor” for services to provide annual preventative maintenance, repair service, and inspection & validation for two (2) Dual Beam Hitachi Spectrophotometers.

#### **2.0 Background**

The two Dual Beam Spectrophotometers are used by the City of Austin, Austin Water, Water Quality Laboratory (WQL) for the measurements of total hydrolyzable phosphates, ortho and meta phosphates, silica, sulfates, and UV-absorbing organic constituents at 254 nm in drinking water and surface water using analyses from Standard Methods methodology. The WQL is located at 14050 Summit Dr., Suite 121, Austin, Texas 78728.

#### **3.0 Technical Requirements**

##### **3.1 Contractor’s Qualifications and Experience.**

- 3.1.1 Thorough working knowledge of both dual beam models Hitachi UV-Vis spectrophotometers
  - 3.1.1.1 Hitachi Model U-2800 (Serial # 1721-039) - the optics adopts the Seya-Namioka monochromator, which represents a concaved diffraction grating monochromator
  - 3.1.1.2 Hitachi Model U-2900 (Serial # 20E21-005) - the optics adopts the Seya-Namioka monochromator, which represents a **stigmatic** concaved diffraction grating monochromator. In a spectrophotometer, use of fewer mirrors signifies a shorter optical path, thus giving rise to an aberration-free bright optics. With elimination of the aberrations, which were essentially unavoidable in the past, a stigmatic concave diffraction grating has been developed by applying Hitachi’s original technology. As a result, a higher resolution is obtained. A higher resolution was achieved by eliminating coma from the Seya- Namioka monochromator. Its grooving is supported by the only ruling engine in Japan. The diffraction gratings of Model U-2900 have also been made with this machine.
- 3.1.2 Thorough working knowledge of the PC-controlled instrument and data processing software - Hitachi UV Solutions Software (Program 1344331-06 Build 392 & Program 1344331-15 Build 480).
- 3.1.3 Contractors Service Engineers must be a certified engineer that has been trained on performing Operational Qualification (OQ) and on correct documentation techniques. OQ is used to qualify the system in a Good Laboratory Practices (GLP), Good Automated Laboratory Practices (GALP) and/or ISO 9000 series facility (laboratory).

## 3.2 Contractor's Responsibilities

3.2.1 Contractor shall have direct telephone support to trained service engineers for aide in isolating and resolving instrument specific and/or software related problems.

3.2.2 The agreement shall include labor, travel costs, fuel surcharges, delivery and freight charges, service parts, including non-consumable parts required for repair.

3.2.3 Preventative maintenance service shall be made one time per year for the instruments listed above and shall be performed on-site. The Contractor shall prompt the schedule for service by email to all three (3) Project Managers listed herein. The Project Managers for the equipment are listed below:

Sharon Mateo [Sharon.mateo@austintexas.gov](mailto:Sharon.mateo@austintexas.gov)

Racquel Bass [Racquel.bass@austintexas.gov](mailto:Racquel.bass@austintexas.gov)

Daniel Smith [Daniel.smith@austintexas.gov](mailto:Daniel.smith@austintexas.gov)

3.2.4 The scheduled service date must be within the same month as when the previous year's preventive maintenance was performed. Preventative Maintenance shall include but is not limited to:

3.2.4.1 Visual Inspection and Adjustment:

- 1) inspect cables, connectors and printed circuit boards;
- 2) remove dust from the unit;
- 3) check the optical path and adjust or replace if required;
- 4) check the quartz windows and clean or replace if required;
- 5) check the source mirror and adjust or replace if required;
- 6) check the tungsten and deuterium lamps and replace if required;
- 7) check and set the correct Time and Date.

3.2.4.2 Electrical Check: Check the line voltage using a Digital Volt Meter

3.2.4.3 Spectrophotometer Performance Tests:

- 1) Wavelength Accuracy at 253.7 nm and 546.1 nm; using a mercury lamp pen and an attenuator if necessary
- 2) Wavelength Reproducibility using the accuracy tests at 253.7 nm and 546.1 nm;
- 3) Baseline Flatness - a wavelength scan from 950 to 200 nm at 400 nm/min;
- 4) Photometric Accuracy – requires use of NIST SRM 1930, 930 Glass Filters (#10, #20 & #30). These three NIST Filters are measured at five different wavelengths (440, 465, 546.1, 590, & 635 nm);
- 5) Photometric Reproducibility - after completion of step 4, with NIST Filter #30 still in place return instrument to 590 nm;
- 6) Stray Light – perform a wavelength scan from 300 to 200 nm at 100 nm/min using Reference Material (RM) Stray Light, Potassium Iodide (KI) or Sodium Iodide (NaI) and a 1/10 attenuator (1A);
- 7) Baseline Stability (Noise) - time scan at 500 nm for 300 seconds.

3.2.4.4 Calibration and Test Equipment Certification:

- 1) NIST SRM 1930, 930 Glass Filters for Spectrophotometry
  - a. Filters #10, #20 and #30 must be actual NIST standard reference materials and must be recalibrated every two years by NIST.

- b. Model, Serial Number, Calibration Date and Calibration Due Date of NIST Filters must be provided on copy of certificate of traceability.
  - 2) Stray Light Reference Material (RM)
    - a. Potassium Iodide (KI) or Sodium Iodide (NaI) reference material inside a Far UV quartz cell that has been permanently sealed by heat fusion. Starna® provides these reference materials.
    - b. Part Number, Serial Number and Calibration Date for the RM used must be provided.
  - 3) Digital Volt Meter (DVM)
    - a. Must be calibrated to NIST standards.
    - b. Model, Serial Number, Calibration Date and Calibration Due Date of the DVM must be provided on copy of certificate of traceability.
  - 4) Mercury (Hg) Pen Lamp
    - a. Wavelengths selected must be verified from The Handbook of Chemistry and Physics, CRC Press.
- 3.2.5 Upon completion of the scheduled preventative maintenance, an Operational Qualification (OQ) booklet shall be provided by the service engineer that contains the printed detailed informational parameters of the instrument tests and checks performed and the results, adjustments, cleaning or replaced items for each test. All forms for recording measurements must have the stated specification limits (tolerance limits) for the specific test and whether the instrument's measurement passed or failed.
- 3.2.6 All preventative maintenance tests and checks must pass in order to qualify the system. If any test and/or check fail, the service engineer must troubleshoot the instrument and/or software on-site. Repairs and a successful OQ Booklet must be completed within 48 hours.
- 3.2.7 If the instrument must be shipped off-site for repairs, the Contractor must provide a Loaner spectrophotometer within 2 days of the same make & model, until the repaired instrument is returned, re-installed and all Operation Qualification tests and checks have been performed and passed in order to qualify the system.
- 3.2.8 Any parts replaced that can affect the operational specifications of the instrument must be replaced with original Hitachi High-Tech part, so as not to lessen the accuracy, sensitivity, precision, etc. of the original purchased instrument.
- 3.2.9 Service engineers must have frequently used consumables on hand at time of visit (i.e.: lamps).
- 3.2.10 Non-routine service shall be provided during the preventative maintenance visit. The Contractor shall be responsible for informing the Contract Manager within 30 minutes of finding any repairs that need to be made outside of the preventative maintenance service call. The Contractor shall make the repair, if approved by the Contract Manager, at the time of the visit.
- 3.2.11 Emergency service shall be made within 48 hours after notification by Contract or Project Manager.
- 3.3 The Contractor shall *provide with bid submittal*, copies of training certificates of the service engineers who will be performing an Operational Qualification on the Hitachi spectrophotometers, (U-2800 and U-2900 models) to qualify these systems.

- 3.4 The Contractor shall be responsible for any defects and/or damages to any equipment/facility caused by a Contractor's employee during a service visit.
- 3.4.1 The Contractor shall notify the Contract Manager within 15 minutes of any damage to any equipment/facility.
- 3.4.2 The Contractor shall make repairs/replacement within 24 hours, at no additional cost to the City.
- 3.4.3 The contractor shall ensure the protection of persons, property, public and private.
- 3.5 The Contractor shall provide non-routine service found and determined to be necessary for the proper operation of the system at the time of a routine service visit. The Contractor shall obtain prior written approval from the Contract Manager before performing/completing a non-routine service during a routine service visit.
- 3.6 Non-scheduled or emergency service shall be performed within 2 business days of notification from Contract Manager. The Contractor shall be available Monday through Friday (except City observed holidays), between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. CST.
- 3.7 Parts/equipment shall be new and original Hitachi High-Tech brand only.
- 3.8 Technical support to Project Managers shall be available by email and/or telephone during normal business hours.
- 3.9 The City reserves the right to add or delete same/similar equipment, as it deems necessary, based on the bid sheet pricing of this contract.
- 3.10 The Contract Manager:
- Water Quality Laboratory (WQL)  
ATTN: Glenly Iffla  
14050 Summit Dr., Ste. 121  
Austin, Texas 78728  
[glenly.iffila@austintexas.gov](mailto:glenly.iffila@austintexas.gov) (512) 972-1414
- 3.11 **City's Responsibilities**
- 3.11.1 A site visit will be provided to fully assess the equipment prior to submitting a bid. See cover page for location date and time.
- 3.11.2 The City at its discretion may terminate the contract for a pattern of consistent failure to perform the services as specified in this solicitation. This shall be defined as an on-going pattern of minor instances or one (1) major instance, of a failure to take corrective action that is deemed by the City as necessary.
- 3.11.3 The City at its discretion may terminate the contract for failure to provide proof of required insurance, and failure to keep all required insurance in force through the term of the Contract including any extension(s).
- 3.11.4 The City Austin Water Contract Manager or designee will provide updated point of contact for this contract if any changes of personnel occur during the term of this contract.
- 3.11.5 Contractor and all contractor employees performing services here-under, are not, by this contract, constituted an agent or employee of the City. Accordingly

Contractor and contractor employees understand and agree that they shall not be entitled to any of the rights and privileges established for employees of the City such as vacation, sick leave with pay, paid days off, life, accident and health insurance or severance pay upon termination of this contract. It is further expressly agreed and understood that the City will not withhold any sum due or payable by or on behalf of the Contractor as withholding for any law or requirement of any governmental body and that all such payments as may be required by law are the sole responsibility of the Contractor and the individual contractor employees.

#### 4.0 **Deliverables/Milestones**

| <b>Deliverables/Milestones</b>         | <b>Description</b>   | <b>Timeline<br/>(due/completion<br/>date, reference<br/>date, or<br/>frequency)</b> | <b>Performance<br/>Measure/<br/>Acceptance<br/>Criteria</b> | <b>Contract<br/>Reference/<br/>Section</b> |
|--|--|---|---|--|
| Preventative Maintenance               | Contractor shall provide preventative maintenance services for two Spectrophotometer | Once a year   | 100% compliance   | 3.1.5                                      |
| Operational Qualification (OQ) booklet | Operational Qualification (OQ) booklet shall be provided by the service engineer.    | Upon completion of work.  | 100% compliance   | 3.1.7                                      |
| Non-schedule or emergency services     | Perform services upon notification   | Within 2 business days  | 100 % compliance  | 3.5  |
| Shipping of instrument                 | Loaner equipment shall be of same make and model.                                    | Loaner instrument of same make/model received in 2 days                             | 95% compliance  | 3.1.9                                      |

#### 5.0 **Warranty**

- 5.1 Parts shall be warranted by the Contractor and shall be free from defects for a period of no less than 90 days from installation or for the period warranted by the manufacturer, whichever is longer.
- 5.2 Labor performed shall be warranted for a period of no less than 180 days from the date of service.



**City of Austin, Texas**  
**Section 0800**  
**NON-DISCRIMINATION AND NON-RETALIATION CERTIFICATION**

**City of Austin, Texas**

**Equal Employment/Fair Housing Office**

To: City of Austin, Texas,

I hereby certify that our firm complies with the Code of the City of Austin, Section 5-4-2 as reiterated below, and agrees:

- (1) Not to engage in any discriminatory employment practice defined in this chapter.
- (2) To take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without discrimination being practiced against them as defined in this chapter, including affirmative action relative to employment, promotion, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rate of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training or any other terms, conditions or privileges of employment.
- (3) To post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Equal Employment/Fair Housing Office setting forth the provisions of this chapter.
- (4) To state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, creed, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, sex or age.
- (5) To obtain a written statement from any labor union or labor organization furnishing labor or service to Contractors in which said union or organization has agreed not to engage in any discriminatory employment practices as defined in this chapter and to take affirmative action to implement policies and provisions of this chapter.
- (6) To cooperate fully with City and the Equal Employment/Fair Housing Office in connection with any investigation or conciliation effort of the Equal Employment/Fair Housing Office to ensure that the purpose of the provisions against discriminatory employment practices are being carried out.
- (7) To require of all subcontractors having 15 or more employees who hold any subcontract providing for the expenditure of \$2,000 or more in connection with any contract with the City subject to the terms of this chapter that they do not engage in any discriminatory employment practice as defined in this chapter

For the purposes of this Offer and any resulting Contract, Contractor adopts the provisions of the City's Minimum Standard Non-Discrimination and Non-Retaliation Policy set forth below.

**City of Austin**  
**Minimum Standard Non-Discrimination and Non-Retaliation in Employment Policy**

As an Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) employer, the Contractor will conduct its personnel activities in accordance with established federal, state and local EEO laws and regulations.

The Contractor will not discriminate against any applicant or employee based on race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, veteran status, gender identity, disability, or sexual orientation. This policy covers all aspects of employment, including hiring, placement, upgrading, transfer, demotion, recruitment, recruitment advertising, selection for training and apprenticeship, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and layoff or termination.

The Contractor agrees to prohibit retaliation, discharge or otherwise discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment who has inquired about, discussed or disclosed their compensation.

Further, employees who experience discrimination, sexual harassment, or another form of harassment should immediately report it to their supervisor. If this is not a suitable avenue for addressing their complaint, employees are advised to contact another member of management or their human resources representative. No employee shall be discriminated against, harassed, intimidated, nor suffer any reprisal as a result of reporting a violation of this policy. Furthermore, any employee, supervisor, or manager who becomes aware of any such discrimination or harassment should immediately report it to executive management or the human resources office to ensure that such conduct does not continue.

Contractor agrees that to the extent of any inconsistency, omission, or conflict with its current non-discrimination and non-retaliation employment policy, the Contractor has expressly adopted the provisions of the City's Minimum Non-Discrimination Policy contained in Section 5-4-2 of the City Code and set forth above, as the Contractor's Non-Discrimination Policy or as an amendment to such Policy and such provisions are intended to not only supplement the Contractor's policy, but will also supersede the Contractor's policy to the extent of any conflict.

UPON CONTRACT AWARD, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE THE CITY A COPY OF THE CONTRACTOR'S NON-DISCRIMINATION AND NON-RETALIATION POLICIES ON COMPANY LETTERHEAD, WHICH CONFORMS IN FORM, SCOPE, AND CONTENT TO THE CITY'S MINIMUM NON-DISCRIMINATION AND NON-RETALIATION POLICIES, AS SET FORTH HEREIN, OR THIS NON-DISCRIMINATION AND NON-RETALIATION POLICY, WHICH HAS BEEN ADOPTED BY THE CONTRACTOR FOR ALL PURPOSES WILL BE CONSIDERED THE CONTRACTOR'S NON-DISCRIMINATION AND NON-RETALIATION POLICY WITHOUT THE REQUIREMENT OF A SEPARATE SUBMITTAL.

**Sanctions:**

Our firm understands that non-compliance with Chapter 5-4 and the City's Non-Retaliation Policy may result in sanctions, including termination of the contract and suspension or debarment from participation in future City contracts until deemed compliant with the requirements of Chapter 5-4 and the Non-Retaliation Policy.

**Term:**

The Contractor agrees that this Section 0800 Non-Discrimination and Non-Retaliation Certificate of the Contractor's separate conforming policy, which the Contractor has executed and filed with the City, will remain in force and effect for one year from the date of filing. The Contractor further agrees that, in consideration of the receipt of continued Contract payment, the Contractor's Non-Discrimination and Non-Retaliation Policy will automatically renew from year-to-year for the term of the underlying Contract.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017

CONTRACTOR

Dean Gregson

Authorized Signature

Dean Gregson

Title

Mgr., Business Dev.

**Section 0835: Non-Resident Bidder Provisions**

Company Name Hitachi High Technologies America Inc.

- A. Bidder must answer the following questions in accordance with Vernon's Texas Statutes and Codes Annotated Government Code 2252.002, as amended:

Is the Bidder that is making and submitting this Bid a "Resident Bidder" or a "non-resident Bidder"?

Answer: yes

- (1) Texas Resident Bidder- A Bidder whose principle place of business is in Texas and includes a Contractor whose ultimate parent company or majority owner has its principal place of business in Texas.  
(2) Nonresident Bidder- A Bidder who is not a Texas Resident Bidder.

- B. If the Bidder is a "Nonresident Bidder" does the state, in which the Nonresident Bidder's principal place of business is located, have a law requiring a Nonresident Bidder of that state to bid a certain amount or percentage under the Bid of a Resident Bidder of that state in order for the nonresident Bidder of that state to be awarded a Contract on such bid in said state?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_ Which State: \_\_\_\_\_

- C. If the answer to Question B is "yes", then what amount or percentage must a Texas Resident Bidder bid under the bid price of a Resident Bidder of that state in order to be awarded a Contract on such bid in said state?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_