STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI) ON DEBRIS REMOVAL AND MANAGEMENT

Purpose

The Department of the Treasury, Division of Purchase & Property, is seeking information to assist it in developing requirements to procure timely, cost-effective, accountable, and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) compliant removal, processing, transportation, disposal and recycling (management) of large volumes of disaster-generated debris.

As a preliminary step in this process, this RFI seeks responses from entities that use or provide debris or waste removal and management services, and other interested, relevant entities that may have information helpful to the procurement of such services. This includes information on services, pricing and/or payment methodologies and the respondent's capacity for performing debris removal and management. Respondents may be entities that provide some or all of the proposed services.

This RFI provides a brief background and a listing of the proposed types of services expected to be provided by the debris removal and management contractors.

Important note: Information provided in response to this RFI is not subject to the Open Public Records Act because it consists of information which, if disclosed, would give an advantage to competitors or bidders.

Please email responses with the heading DEBRIS REMOVAL AND MANAGEMENT to: jonathan.wallace@treas.state.nj.us.

Responses are requested by close of business on Friday, November 16th, 2012.

Background

New Jersey experienced significant devastation resulting from the recent Hurricane Sandy. State and local governments require the removal and management of large volumes of disaster-generated debris from roads and properties, and in some instances, upon the specific direction of the State or a local government entity with jurisdiction, on private properties.

The State of New Jersey (State) intends that this work to be performed pursuant to contracts between the State and a contractor for emergency debris removal and management will be utilized by State and local governmental entities. The contracting entity, whether the State, county, municipality or other governmental entity will assume ownership of the debris upon collection and removal.

The State is considering the following set of requirements as a baseline for future procurement and payment of debris removal and management, including but not limited to:

Services to be provided by a contractor include but are not limited to, the following:

- sorting of debris into categories including, but not limited to, the following;
 - vegetative matter (trees, shrubs, and other vegetation);
 - recyclables such as metals, glass, and plastics; and
 - hazardous materials;
- removal of storm-generated debris from designated sites;

- transport of debris to disposal sites and recycling centers as appropriate;
- compliance with debris removal monitoring requirements;
- compliance with County solid waste management plans;
- compliance with all Federal and State laws regarding removal and disposal of debris (including solid waste requirements and A901 licensing); and
- compliance with FEMA guidelines and regulations.

Response Contents

Respondents to this RFI should explain their approaches to addressing the objectives described above in <u>Purpose</u> and <u>Background</u>.

In addition, vendors responding to the RFI should include the following information:

- List the firm's name, location and experience in the subject area. Provide references and other information that is relevant to the service program, including organization size (employees and sales), organization charts and customer roster;
- List the firm's experience and qualifications to perform debris collection services for hurricane damage on a large scale;
- List the firm's experience in performing FEMA eligible and compliant services; and
- Provide debris removal and management pricing charged on your contracts with public entities.

Responses are limited to 10 pages.