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June 17, 2004

TO: All Potential Bidders

RE: RFP #: **05-X-36920**

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

*******IMPORTANT NOTE: EVEN IF YOU ARE AN INCUMBENT BIDDER AND/OR HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED OR CERTIFIED UNDER THE FORMER SBE/MBE/WBE PROGRAM, YOU WILL NEED TO BE SURE THAT YOU ARE REGISTERED ON THE DAY OF BID RECEIPT AND OPENING WITH THE COMMERCE COMMISSION UNDER THE NEW, SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR AWARD. THE TELEPHONE NUMBER TO CALL TO CHECK YOUR STATUS IS 609 292-2146.********

Enclosed please find a complete set of bid documents for the above referenced solicitation.

The following are the key dates for the project:

Date	Time	Event
07/21/04	2:00 PM	Bid Submission Due Date

All questions concerning the RFP contents and the bidding process must be directed to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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Administrative Analyst 2 Procurement

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ATTENTION VENDORS Vendor Information and Bidding Opportunities

The Purchase Bureau maintains a bidders mailing list. You as a vendor may have basic information about your firm added to the bidders mailing list by visiting our website at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/forms/forms.htm and submitting a bidders mailing list application online. You may also download the application and instructions and submit the application by mail. Applications submitted online are processed more quickly than mailed applications.

A bidders mailing list application gives you the opportunity to identify yourself as a potential bidder for the types of goods and services that your firm provides. The Purchase Bureau attempts (but does not guarantee) to provide firms on the bidders mailing list with notice of bidding opportunities related to the goods and services identified in the application.

If you are already on the Purchase Bureau's bidders mailing list and you need to change your information, contact Bid List Management at (609) 984-5396.

Note: If you are an awarded State contractor and payments are not being directed to your proper remit-to address, you must send a letter on company letterhead to the Office Of Management and Budget, Vendor Control Unit, PO Box 221, Trenton, NJ 08625 or fax that letter to 609-292-4882. In the letter you must include the current incorrect remit to address and your new correct remit-to address. If you have any questions about this process you may call (609) 292-8124 for more information.



STATE OF NEW JERSEY REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

TERM CONTRACT #: T0075

BID NUMBER: 05-X-36920

REOUESTING AGENCY: STATEWIDE

REQUISTION NO: 1028808

ESTIMATED AMOUNT: \$100,000.00

FOR: FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

CONTRACT EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/01/04

CONTRACT EXPIRATION DATE: 09/30/06

COOPERATIVE PURCHASING: ATTACHMENT 4

SET ASIDE: SECTION 4.4.1.4

DIRECT QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS RFP TO: **Cheryl A.Crist**

PHONE NUMBER: (609) 984-1359 FAX NUMBER: (609) 292-0490

E-MAIL ADDRESS: Cheryl.Crist@treas.state.nj.us

	SET ASIDE. SECTION 4.4.1.4			
TO BE COMPLETED BY BIDDER:				
		Address:		
Firm Name:				

PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 52:34 - 12 AND N.J.A.C. 17:12 - 2.2, PROPOSALS WHICH FAIL TO CONFORM WITH THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY REJECTED:

- 1) PROPOSALS MUST BE RECEIVED AT OR BEFORE THE PUBLIC OPENING TIME OF 2 PM ON 07/21/04 AT THE FOLLOWING PLACE: DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY, PURCHASE BUREAU, PO BOX-230, 33 WEST STATE STREET, 9TH FLOOR, TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625-0230. TELEPHONE, TELEFACSIMILE OR TELEGRAPH PROPOSALS WILL NOT BE
- THE BIDDER MUST SIGN THE PROPOSAL.
- THE PROPOSAL MUST INCLUDE ALL PRICE INFORMATION. PROPOSAL PRICES SHALL INCLUDE DELIVERY OF ALL ITEMS, F.O.B. DESTINATION OR AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED. PRICE OUOTES MUST BE FIRM THROUGH ISSUANCE OF CONTRACT.
- ALL PROPOSAL PRICES MUST BE TYPED OR WRITTEN IN INK.
- ALL CORRECTIONS, WHITE-OUTS, ERASURES, RESTRIKING OF TYPE, OR OTHER FORMS OF ALTERATION, OR THE APPEARANCE OF ALTERATION, TO UNIT AND/OR TOTAL PRICES MUST BE INITIALED IN INK BY THE BIDDER.
- THE BIDDER MUST SUBMIT WITH THE PROPOSAL BID SECURITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 0 OR 0 %. CHECK THE TYPE OF BID SECURITY SUPPLIED:

ANNUAL BID BOND ON FILE:	BID BOND ATTA	ACHED:
CERTIFIED OR CASHIERS CHECK ATTACHE	D:	LETTER OF CREDIT ATTACHED:

- THE BIDDER MUST COMPLETE AND SUBMIT, PRIOR TO THE SUBMISSION OF THE PROPOSAL, OR ACCOMPANYING THE PROPOSAL, THE ATTACHED OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM. (SEE N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2). SEE ATTACHMENT 1
- THE BIDDER MUST ATTEND THE MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE(S) AND SITE VISIT(S) AT THE FOLLOWING DATE(S) AND TIME(S): PRE-BID CONFERENCE: N/A SITE INSPECTION: N/A

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- 9) PERFORMANCE SECURITY: \$__0 OR__0 % 10) PAYMENT RETENTION: 00%
- 11) AN AFFIRMATION ACTION FORM (ATTACHMENT 3 OF RFP)
 - 12) A MACBRIDE PRINCIPALS CERTIFICATION (ATTACHMENT 2 OF RFP)
- 13) REQUESTED DELIVERY: <u>30 Days</u> FROM RECEIPT OF ORDER.
- 14) CERTIFICATION OR NOTIFICATION OF REGISTRATION WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE IF A FOREIGN (NON-NJ) CORPORATION, IF NECESSARY (SEE N.J.S.A 14A:13-1 ET SEQ. AND N.J.A.C. 17:12-2.12).
- 15) FOR SET ASIDE CONTRACTS ONLY, N.J. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE CERTIFICATION OF REGISTRATION AS A SMALL BUSINESSES (SEE N.J.A.C. 17:13-3 1 & 13 3 2)

TO BE COMPLETED BY BIDDER 16) DELIVERY CAN BE MADE_____ DAYS OR _____ WEEKS AFTER RECEIPT OF ORDER.

17) CASH DISCOUNT TERMS (SEE RFP) ___________________________DAYS: NET _____ ____DAYS. 18) BIDDER PHONE NO: ___ _____ 20) BIDDER E-MAIL ADDRESS. 19) BIDDER FAX NO.

21) BIDDER FEDERAL ID NO. 22) YOUR BID REFERENCE NO.

SIGNATURE OF THE BIDDER ATTESTS THAT THE BIDDER HAS READ, UNDERSTANDS, AND AGREES TO ALL TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND SPECIFICATIONS SET FORTH IN THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL, INCLUDING ALL ADDENDA, FURTHERMORE, SIGNATURE BY THE BIDDER SIGNIFIES THAT THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL AND THE RESPONSIVE PROPOSAL CONSTITUTES A CONTRACT IMMEDIATELY UPON NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROPOSAL BY THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR ANY OR ALL OF THE ITEMS BID, AND FOR THE LENGTH OF TIME INDICATED IN THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL. FAILURE TO ACCEPT THE CONTRACT WITHIN THE TIME PERIOD INDICATED IN THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL, OR FAILURE TO HOLD PRICES OR TO MEET ANY OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS DEFINED IN EITHER THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL OR THE PROPOSAL DURING THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT, SHALL CONSTITUTE A BREACH AND MAY RESULT IN SUSPENSION OR DEBARMENT FROM FURTHER STATE BIDDING, A DEFAULTING CONTRACTOR MAY ALSO BE LIABLE, AT THE OPTION OF THE STATE, FOR THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE CONTRACT PRICE AND THE PRICE BID BY AN ALTERNATE VENDOR OF THE GOODS OR SERVICES IN ADDITION TO OTHER REMEDIES AVAII ARI F

23) ORIGINAL SIGNATURE OF BIDDER	24) NAME OF FIRM
25) PRINT/TYPE NAME AND TITLE	26) DATE



Bid Number: 05-X-36920

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR:

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

Date Issued: 6/17/2004

Purchasing Agency

State of New Jersey
Department of the Treasury
Division of Purchase and Property
Purchase Bureau, PO Box 230
33 West State Street
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0230

<u>Using Agency</u> State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Members

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

SET-ASIDE CONTRACTS N.J.S.A 52:32-17, N.J.A.C. 17:13, 12A:10

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY STATUTE AND ADMINISTRATIVE CODE CITED ABOVE, THIS CONTRACT, OR A PORTION THEREOF, HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS A SET-ASIDE CONTRACT FOR SMALL BUSINESS. AS INDICATED ON PAGE ONE OF THIS DOCUMENT, AS SUCH, ELIGIBILITY TO BID IS LIMITED TO BIDDERS THAT MEET STATUTORY AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS AND HAVE HAD THEIR ELIGIBILITY DETERMINED BY THE NEW JERSEY COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC GROWTH COMMISSION (COMMERCE). THE DEFINITIONS OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS SET-ASIDE CATEGORY CAN BE FOUND AT N.J.A.C. 17:13-1.2 OR N.J.A.C. 12A:10-1.2. A COPY OF N.J.A.C. CHAPTER 13, GOODS AND SERVICES CONTRACTS FOR SMALL BUSINESSES IS ATTACHED HERETO.

AS YOU WILL SEE IN THE REGULATIONS ATTACHED; "SMALL BUSINESS" MEANS A BUSINESS THAT HAS ITS PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, IS INDEPENDENTLY OWNED AND OPERATED, AND HAS NO MORE THAN 100 FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES.

THE NEW PROGRAM PLACES SMALL BUSINESS INTO THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES: THOSE WITH GROSS REVENUES UP TO \$500,000; THOSE WITH GROSS REVENUES OF UP TO \$5 MILLION; AND THOSE WITH GROSS REVENUES THAT DO NOT EXCEED \$12 MILLION. WHILE COMPANIES REGISTERED AS HAVING REVENUES BELOW \$500.000 CAN BID ON ANY CONTRACT, THOSE EARNING MORE THAN THE \$500,000 AND \$5 MILLION AMOUNTS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO BID ON CONTRACTS DESIGNATED FOR REVENUE CLASSIFICATIONS BELOW THEIR RESPECTIVE LEVELS.

EACH BUSINESS INTERESTED IN BIDDING FOR THIS CONTRACT SHOULD PROVIDE, AS PART OF ITS RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION, A COPY OF ITS CURRENT APPROVAL NOTICE FROM THE NEW JERSEY COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC GROWTH COMMISSION. ANY BUSINESS THAT SEEKS TO REGISTER AS A SMALL BUSINESS IS REQUIRED TO SUBMIT A FEE PAYMENT ALONG WITH ITS APPLICATION TO COMMERCE.

ALL NECESSARY FORMS AND ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING REGISTRATION MAY BE OBTAINED BY CONTACTING COMMERCE'S OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS SERVICES, BY TELEPHONE AT THE NUMBER BELOW, OR BY MAIL, OR IN PERSON BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 9:00 A.M AND 5:00 PM AT THE ADDRESS BELOW:

NEW JERSEY COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC GROWTH COMMISSION OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS SERVICES 20 WEST STATE STREET - 4TH FLOOR PO BOX 820, TRENTON, NJ 08625-0820

TELEPHONE: 609-292-2146

1.0 INFORMATION FOR BIDDERS

1.1 PURPOSE AND INTENT

This request for proposal (RFP) is issued by the Purchase Bureau, Division of Purchase and Property, Department of the Treasury on behalf of various State Agencies. The purpose of this RFP is to solicit bid proposals for various types of fire extinguishers

The intent of this RFP is to award contracts to those responsible bidders whose bid proposals, conforming to this RFP are most advantageous to the State, price and other factors considered.

The Standard Terms & Conditions, <u>Appendix 1</u> of this RFP, will apply to all contracts or purchase agreements made with the State of New Jersey. These terms are in addition to the terms and conditions set forth in this RFP and should be read in conjunction with same unless the RFP specifically indicates otherwise.

The State intends to extend the contracts awarded to the Purchase Bureau's cooperative purchasing partners. These partners include quasi-state agencies, counties, municipalities, school districts, volunteer fire departments, first aid squads, independent institutions of higher learning, County colleges and State colleges.

Although the State, with the assent of the vendor(s), is making the use of any contract resulting from this RFP available to non-State Agencies, the State makes no representation as to the acceptability of any State RFP terms and conditions under the Local Public Contracts Law or any other enabling statute or regulation.

1.2 BACKGROUND

This is a reprocurement of the **Fire Extinguishers** term contract, presently due to expire on **September 30, 2004.** Vendors who are interested in the current contract specifications and pricing information are encouraged to visit the Purchase Bureau's website on the World Wide Web. The applicable "T" reference number for this lookup is **ENTER T-0075.** The exact www address is http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/contracts.htm

1.3 KEY EVENTS

1.3.1 QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES

It is the policy of the Purchase Bureau to accept questions and inquiries from all vendors. Written questions should be mailed, e-mailed or faxed to the Purchase Bureau to the attention of the assigned Purchase Bureau buyer at the following address:

Attn: Cheryl A. Crist State of New Jersey Division of Purchase and Property Purchase Bureau PO Box 230 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0230

E- Mail: Cheryl.Crist@treas.state.nj.us

Phone Number: **(609) 984-1359** Fax Number: **(609) 292-0490**

After the submission of bid proposals, unless requested by the State, contact with the State is limited to status inquiries only and such inquiries are only to be directed to the buyer. Any further contact or information about the proposal to the buyer or any other State official connected with the solicitation will be considered an impermissible supplementation of the bidder's bid proposal.

1.3.1.1 QUESTION PROTOCOL

Questions should be submitted in writing to the attention of the assigned Purchase Bureau buyer. Written questions should be directly tied to the RFP by the writer. Questions should be asked in consecutive order, from beginning to end, following the organization of the RFP. Each question should begin by referencing the RFP page number and section number to which it relates.

Short procedural inquiries may be accepted by telephone by the Purchase Bureau buyer; however, oral explanations or instructions given over the telephone shall not be binding on the State. Vendors shall not contact the Using Agency directly, in person, by telephone or by e-mail, concerning this RFP.

1.3.1.2 CUT-OFF DATE FOR QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES

The cut-off date for questions and inquiries relating to this RFP is ten (10) working days prior to bid opening date. Addendum, if any, to this RFP will be posted to the Purchase Bureau website (see Section 1.4.1. of this RFP for further information.)

1.4 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1.4.1 REVISIONS TO THIS RFP

In the event that it becomes necessary to clarify or revise this RFP, such clarification or revision will be by addendum.

ALL RFP ADDENDA WILL BE ISSUED ON THE PURCHASE BUREAU WEB SITE. TO ACCESS ADDENDA THE BIDDER MUST SELECT THE BID NUMBER ON THE PURCHASE BUREAU BIDDING OPPORTUNITIES WEB PAGE AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS: http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/bid/summary/bid.shtml

There are no designated dates for release of addenda. Therefore interested bidders should check the Purchase Bureau "Bidding Opportunities" website on a daily basis from time of RFP issuance through bid opening.

It is the sole responsibility of the bidder to be knowledgeable of all addenda related to this procurement.

1.4.2 ADDENDUM AS A PART OF THIS RFP

Any addendum to this RFP shall become part of this RFP and part of any contract awarded as a result of this RFP.

1.4.3 ISSUING OFFICE

This RFP is issued by the Purchase Bureau, Division of Purchase and Property. The buyer noted in Section 1.3.1 is the sole point of contact between the vendor and the State for purposes of this RFP.

1.4.4 BIDDER RESPONSIBILITY

The bidder assumes sole responsibility for the complete effort required in submitting a bid proposal in response to this RFP. No special consideration will be given after bid proposals are opened because of a bidder's failure to be knowledgeable as to all of the requirements of this RFP. By submitting a bid proposal in response to this RFP, the bidder represents that it has satisfied itself, from its own investigation, as to all of the requirements of this RFP.

1.4.5 COST LIABILITY

The State assumes no responsibility and bears no liability for costs incurred by a bidder in the preparation and submittal of a bid proposal in response to this RFP.

1.4.6 CONTENTS OF BID PROPOSAL

The entire content of every bid proposal will be publicly opened and will become a matter of public record. This is the case notwithstanding any statement to the contrary made by a bidder in its bid proposal. All bid proposals, as public records, are available for public inspection. Interested parties can make an appointment to inspect bid proposals received in response to this RFP by contacting the Purchase Bureau buyer.

1.4.7 PRICE ALTERATION

Bid prices must be typed or written in ink. Any price change (including "white-outs") must be initialed. Failure to initial price changes shall preclude a contract award being made to the bidder.

1.4.8 JOINT VENTURE

If a joint venture is submitting a bid proposal, the agreement between the parties relating to such joint venture should be submitted with the joint venture's bid proposal. Authorized signatories from each party comprising the joint venture must sign the bid proposal. A separate Ownership Disclosure Form, Affirmative Action Employee Information Report, MacBride Principles Certification and business registration must be supplied by each party to the joint venture.

2.0 DEFINITIONS

2.1 GENERAL DEFINITIONS

The following definitions shall be part of any contract awarded or order placed as result of this RFP.

Addendum - Written clarification or revision to this RFP issued by the Purchase Bureau.

Amendment - A change in the scope of work to be performed by the contractor. An amendment is not effective until signed by the Director, Division of Purchase and Property.

Bidder – A vendor submitting a bid proposal in response to this RFP.

Contract - This RFP, any addendum to this RFP, the bidder's bid proposal submitted in response to this RFP and the Division's Notice of Acceptance.

Contractor - The contractor is the bidder awarded a contract.

Director - Director, Division of Purchase and Property, Department of the Treasury. By statutory authority, the Director is the chief contracting officer for the State of New Jersey.

Division - The Division of Purchase and Property.

May - Denotes that which is permissible, but not mandatory.

Request for Proposal (RFP) - This document, which establishes the bidding and contract requirements and solicits bid proposals to meet the purchase needs of [the] Using Agency[ies], as identified herein.

Shall or Must - Denotes that which is a mandatory requirement. Failure to meet a mandatory requirement will result in the rejection of a bid proposal, as materially non-responsive.

Should - Denotes that which is recommended, but not mandatory.

State - State of New Jersey

Using Agency[ies] or Agency[ies] - The entity[ies] for which the Division has issued this RFP.

3.0 COMMODITY DESCRIPTION/SCOPE OF WORK

3.1 General Equipment Specifications

- 3.1.1 All equipment supplied is to be new and of the latest design. It is to be of current production, i.e., manufactured within the twelve (12) month period preceding delivery. Discontinued models will not be considered.
- 3.1.2 Brackets: A hanging bracket/vehicle bracket of U/L approved type is to be furnished with each extinguisher. The type of bracket is indicated on the appropriate bid pricing sheets.
- 3.1.3 In addition to the equipment specified herein, the unit is to be equipped with all other equipment listed as standard by the manufacturer of the unit.

3.1.4 LABELING

All fire extinguishers are to bear a label reading "Property State of New Jersey" in letters not less than 1/4" high. Said label is to be the pressure sensitive type and is to be affixed securely by the contractor before shipment and must bear the following information:

- A. Manufacturer's name, mailing address and phone number as shown on the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS).
- B. Date of manufacture
- C. U/L classification and rating
- D. Operation and recharging instructions
- E. Test pressure of shell

In addition, all the extinguishers shall have attached to it in the form of a label, tag, stencil, or similar manner the following information:

- 1) Contents product name as it appears on the manufacturer's Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS).
- 2) A listing of the hazardous material identification in accordance with the National Paint and Coatings Association Hazardous Materials Identification Systems (HMIS).
- 3) A list of any hazardous materials, which are in excess of 1.0 percent of the contents.
- 4) A list of each chemical in excess of 5.0 percent of the contents.
- 5) Information as to what is hazardous about the agent in accordance with the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS).

3.1.5 MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEETS (MSDS)

Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) must be supplied with each fire extinguisher to the Using Agency. Failure to supply this information may result in contract cancellation.

3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS - 2 1/2-GALLON WATER PRESSURIZED EXTINGUISHER- (PRICE LINES 00001 & 00002).

- 3.2.1 Extinguishers under this specification are to have a capacity of 2 1/2-gallons of water plus sufficient additional volume for compressed air needed to provide performance in accordance with the standards of Underwriter's Laboratories (U/L) and be rated by U/L with a minimum rating of 2a.
- 3.2.2 The canister of the extinguisher is to be made of stainless steel and so constructed as to pass hydrostatic test of at least 500 lbs. and is to be cylindrical in shape. It is to have a minimum fill opening of 1 1/4".

- 3.2.3 The valve is to be of the lever operated seat type design so that the unit can be operated in an upright position, and must have a squeeze or grip type operating handle with a siphon tube running from said valve to the bottom of the canister. The valve assembly is to incorporate an air intake valve, which can be operated without the use of other attachments.
- 3.2.4 The valve is to be equipped with a pressure gauge having a range of approximately twice the normal charging pressure, and the operable range is to be denoted by some contrasting color or marking.
- 3.2.5 A locking pin is to be provided to prevent inadvertent operating of the valve, and a plastic seal is to be furnished with each extinguisher to secure the locking pin in place.
- 3.2.6 The extinguisher shall also be equipped with a built-in corrosion arrester or with proper materials so as to prevent premature corrosion.
- 3.2.7 The extinguisher is subject to tests by the State of New Jersey and the requirements of the Division of Fire Safety as to character and quality applicable for State use.
- 3.3 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS CLASS B C EXTINGUISHERS PRICE LINES 00003-00010 & 00013) (PRICE LINES 00011,00012,00014-00031)
 - 3.3.1 Carbon dioxide extinguishers under this specification are to be U/L approved and are to have minimum ratings based on the following requirements of N.F.P.A. Standard #10: (Price Lines 00003-00010,& 00013)

2 1/2 TO 5 LB 1 TO 5 B:C 10 TO 15 LB 2 TO 10 B:C 20 LB 10 B:C

3.3.2 Dry chemical extinguisher - Triplex under this specification are to have a capacity and minimum U/L rating based on the following requirements of N.F.P.A. Standard #10: (Price Lines 00011,00012,00014-00031)

1 to 5 lb	1 to 5-A and	2 to	10-B:C
2 1/2 to 9 lb	1 to 4-A and	10 to	40-B:C
9 to 17 lb	2 to 20-A and	10 to	80-B:C
17 to 30 lb	3 to 20-A and	30 to	120-B·C

- 3.3.3 The cylinder is to be made of steel or stainless steel in accordance with applicable I.C.C. specifications, or is to be tested to a minimum of 500 lbs. and be so marked.
- 3.3.4 The dry chemical extinguishers under this specification are to be of the pressurized type, using dry nitrogen or compressed air as the expellant charge. These units are to have a fill opening of at least 1 inch, except on the 2 1/2 lb. units, which may have a fill opening of 1/2 inch.
- 3.3.5 The valve is to be of the lever operated seat type design so that the unit can be operated in an upright position and is to have a squeeze or grip type operating handle with a siphon tube running from said valve to the bottom of the cylinder. The valve or hose assembly is to have a small orifice for the discharge of the dry chemical powder.
- 3.3.6 The valve on the dry chemical extinguishers is to be equipped with a pressure gauge having a range of approximately twice the normal charging pressure, and the operable range shall be denoted by some contrasting color or marking on the various sizes identified on the bid proposal pricing sheets, with the exception of the 2 1/2 lb. units that may be equipped with a disposable recharge cylinder incorporating a pressure indicating device in the cylinder.

- 3.3.7 A locking pin is to be provided to prevent inadvertent operating of the valve except on the 2 1/2 lb. units which are to be equipped with a locking handle to prevent inadvertent operation. A plastic seal is to be furnished with on each extinguisher to secure the locking pin in place.
- 3.3.8 The dry chemical compound for the dry chemical extinguishers is to be composed of primarily ammonium phosphate with material added for water repellence and a free flowing characteristic.
- 3.3.9 All units are to be delivered fully charged.
- 3.3.10 The extinguishers are subject to tests by the State of New Jersey and the requirements of the Division of Fire Safety as to character and quality applicable for State use.

3.4 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION - DRY CHEMICAL EXTINGUISHERS - PURPLE "K" (PRICE LINES 00011, 00012, 00014, 00015, 00016)

3.4.1 Extinguishers under this specification are to have a capacity and minimum U/L rating as follows:

2 TO 5 LB 5 TO 30-B:C 5 1/2 TO 10 LB 10 TO 80-B:C 16 TO 30 LB 40 TO 120-B:C

- 3.4.2 The cylinder is to be made of steel in accordance with applicable I.C.C. specifications or is to be tested to a minimum of 500 lbs. and be so marked.
- 3.4.3 Extinguishers are to be of the pressurized type, using dry nitrogen or compressed air as the expellant charge. This unit is to have a fill opening of at least 1" except on the 2 1/2 lb. units, which may have a fill opening of 1/2".
- 3.4.4 The valve is to be of the lever operated seat type design so that the unit can be operated in an upright position and is to have a squeeze or grip type operating handle with a siphon tube running from said valve to bottom of the cylinder. The valve or hose assembly is to have a small orifice for the discharge of the dry chemical powder.
- 3.4.5 A hook suitable arrangement is to be permanently affixed to the back of the cylinder or valve so as to facilitate hanging of the unit on a flat wall surface except on the 2 1/2 lb. or 5 lb. unit, which may come equipped with a bracket for wall attachment.
- 3.4.6 The valve is to be equipped with a pressure gauge having a range of approximately twice the normal charging pressure, and the operable range is to be denoted by some contrasting color or marking on 5 lb., 10 lb., and 20 lb. units. The 2 1/2 lb. unit may be equipped with a disposable recharge cylinder incorporating a pressure-indicating device in the cylinder.
- 3.4.7 A locking pin is to be provided to prevent inadvertent operating of valve except on the 2 1/2 lb. unit which is to be equipped with a locking handle to prevent inadvertent operation.
- 3.4.8 The dry chemical compound is to be composed of primarily potassium bicarbonate with materials added for water repellence and a free flowing characteristic. All units are to be delivered fully charged.
- 3.4.9 The extinguisher is subject to tests by the State of New Jersey and the requirements of the Division of Fire Safety as to character and quality applicable for State use.
- 3.5 Technical Specifications Dry Chemical Extinguishers Sodium Bicarbonate-Mandatory for Kitchen Areas.
- 3.5.1 Extinguishers under this RFP are to have a capacity and minimum U/L rating as follows:

1 to 2 1/2 LB. 2 to 10-B:C 2 3/4 TO 5 LB. 5 to 20-B:C 6 to 30 LB. 10 to 160-B:C

- 3.5.2 The cylinder is to be made of steel in accordance with applicable I.C.C. specifications or is to be tested to a minimum of 500 lbs. and be so marked.
- 3.5.3 Extinguishers are to be of the pressurized type, using dry nitrogen or compressed air as the expellant charge. This unit is to have a fill opening of at least 1", except on the 2 1/2 lb. Units that may have a fill opening of 1/2 inch.
- 3.5.4 The valve is to be of the lever operated seat type design so that the unit can be operated in an upright position and is to have a squeeze or grip type operating handle with a siphon tube running from said valve to bottom of the cylinder. The valve or hose assembly is to have a small orifice for the discharge of the dry chemical powder.
- 3.5.5 A hook suitable arrangement is to be permanently affixed to the back of the cylinder or valve so as to facilitate hanging of the unit on a flat wall surface except on the 2 1/2 lb. and 5 lb. unit, which may come equipped with a bracket for wall attachment.
- 3.5.6 The valve is to be equipped with a pressure gauge having a range of approximately twice the normal charging pressure, and the operable range is to be denoted by some contrasting color or marking on 2 1/2 lb., 5 lb., 10 lb., and 20 lb. units.
- 3.5.7 A locking pin is to be provided to prevent inadvertent operating of valve.
- 3.5.8 The dry chemical compound is to be composed of primarily sodium bicarbonate with materials added for water repellence and a free flowing characteristic. All units are to be delivered fully charged.
- 3.5.9 The extinguisher is subject to tests by the State of New Jersey and the requirements of the Division of Fire Safety as to character and quality applicable for State use.

3.6 HOSE, RACK TYPE WITH NOZZLE (PRICE LINE ITEMS 00032 TO 00034)

The bidder(s) are to indicate the brand offered on the appropriate price line and to certify pressure test, where requested, that the hose assembly meet NFPA and/or OSHA standards and submit proof thereof.

HOSE

The hose is to be 1 1/2" (nominal) in diameter.

The hose is to be single-jacketed and capable of withstanding a 400 lb. test without rupture or incident.

The hose is to fit foot for foot in the same space as unlined or lined and the manufacturer shall provide certification that the hose furnished has been tested and is in compliance with or exceeds FM or UL standards.

The hose is to be fully lined and bonded 360 degrees to the jacket.

The lining is to be made of properly vulcanized natural synthetic rubber compound of uniform thickness or an approved equal and is to comply with all tests. The waterway surface of the lining is to be free from pitting or other irregularities or imperfections.

The hose jacket is to be mildew/mold resistant twisted polyester filament yarn or approved equal.

The hose may not weigh more than 20 lbs/100 feet coupled.

The actual length of the hose is to be determined by the using agency's requirements.

COUPLING

The coupling is to be made of dropped forged brass with locker lugs or an approved equal.

The coupling is to be FM or UL approved and meet the NFPA standard and all updates.

NOZZLE

The nozzle is to be made of molded polycarbonate or an approved equal.

The weight of the nozzle may not exceed 12 ounces.

The nozzle is to be FM or UL approved.

The nozzle is to be capable of a 150-degree water curtain, up to 130 fog, straight stream and shut off.

The nozzle and the male coupling are to be epoxied and assembled by the supplier/manufacturer to withstand separation under normal handling conditions.

3.7 DELIVERY

- 3.7.1 Each unit delivered is to be completely assembled, thoroughly serviced and ready for use when delivered to the Using Agency.
- 3.7.2 The contractor is to supply a complete shop repair manual, parts manual, operating instructions at the time of delivery.
- 3.7.3 Delivery is thirty (30) days after receipt of order.

3.8 INSTALLATION SUPERVISION

Upon completion of a new State building or facility where the amount of the purchase order for fire extinguishers for said building or facility exceeds \$500.00, the contractor may be required to provide personnel to supervise installation of all extinguishers included in the purchase order.

3.9 PACKAGING AND SHIPPING

Packaging for shipment must protect the product adequately and permit safe delivery of equipment.

Shipping cases or containers are to be marked to show the name of the supplier, name and address of receiving agency, and agency purchase order number.

3.10 WARRANTY

All units are to carry the manufacturer's standard warranty and/or guarantee. This warranty and/or guarantee is to accompany the unit when delivered. The bidder is to state the warranty and/or guarantee on bid sheet for each item.

4.0 PROPOSAL PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION

4.1 GENERAL

The bidder must follow instructions contained in this RFP and on the bid cover sheet in preparing and submitting its bid proposal. The bidder is advised to thoroughly read and follow all instructions.

The first page (face) of this RFP shall be signed by an authorized representative of the bidder. However, if the bidder is a limited partnership, the first page (face) of this RFP must be signed by a general partner. If the bidder is a joint venture, the first page (face) of this RFP must be signed by a principal of each party to the joint venture. Failure to comply will result in rejection of the bid proposal.

Pricing and information sheets must be completed in their entirety. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in rejection of the bid proposal.

No changes or white outs will be permitted on the specification sheets, unless each change is initialed and dated in ink by the bidder.

4.2 PROPOSAL DELIVERY AND IDENTIFICATION

In order to be considered, a bid proposal must arrive at the Purchase Bureau in accordance with the instructions on the RFP cover sheet. Bidders are cautioned to allow adequate delivery time to ensure timely delivery of bid proposals. State regulation mandates that late bid proposals are ineligible for consideration. THE EXTERIOR OF ALL BID PROPOSAL PACKAGES MUST BE LABELED WITH THE BID IDENTIFICATION NUMBER, FINAL BID OPENING DATE AND THE BUYER'S NAME. (See RFP cover sheet).

4.3 NUMBER OF BID PROPOSAL COPIES

Each bidder must submit **one (1) complete ORIGINAL bid proposal**, clearly marked as the "ORIGINAL" bid proposal. Each bidder should submit **one (1) full**, **complete and exact copy** of the original. The copy requested is necessary in the evaluation of the bid proposal. Bidders failing to provide the requested number of copies will be charged the cost incurred by the State in producing the requested number of copies. It is suggested that the bidder make and retain a copy of its bid proposal.

4.4 PROPOSAL CONTENT

The bid proposal should be submitted as follows:

Forms (Section 4.4.1)

CONTENTS RFP SECTION REFERENCE		COMMENTS	
	Cover sheet	Completed and signed cover sheet (Page 3 of this RFP)	
	<u>4.4.1.1</u>	Ownership Disclosure Form (Attachment 1)	
Forms	4.4.1.2	MacBride Principles Certification (Attachment 2)	
	4.4.1.3	Affirmative Action Employee Information Report or New Jersey Affirmative Action Certificate (Attachment 3)	
	Appendix 1 - 1.1 of the Standard Terms &	Business Registration from Division of Revenue	
	<u>Conditions</u>		

4.4.1 FORMS

4.4.1.1 OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM

In the event the bidder is a corporation or partnership, the bidder must complete the attached Ownership Disclosure Form. A completed Ownership Disclosure Form must be received prior to or accompany the bid proposal. Failure to do so will preclude the award of a contract.

The Ownership Disclosure Form is attached as Attachment 1 to this RFP.

4.4.1.2 MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES CERTIFICATION

The bidder must complete the attached MacBride Principles Certification evidencing compliance with the MacBride Principles. Failure to do so may result in the award of the contract to another vendor.

The MacBride Principles Certification Form is attached as Attachment 2 to this RFP

4.4.1.3 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

The bidder must complete the attached Affirmative Action Employee Information Report, or, in the alternative, supply either a New Jersey Affirmative Action Certificate or evidence that the bidder is operating under a Federally approved or sanctioned affirmative action program. The requirement is a precondition to entering into a State contract.

The Affirmative Action Forms are attached as Attachment 3 to this RFP

4.4.1.4 SET-ASIDE CONTRACTS

This is a Set-Aside Contract for **Category I, II, or III Small Businesses**. The bidder should provide, with its bid proposal, evidence of current and valid registration as a small business from the New Jersey Commerce & Economic Growth Commission (Commerce). In the alternative, evidence that the bidder has registered with Commerce, as a small business, must be received on the date the bid proposal is received and opened.

*******IMPORTANT NOTE: EVEN IF YOU ARE AN INCUMBENT BIDDER AND/OR HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED OR CERTIFIED UNDER THE FORMER SBE/MBE/WBE PROGRAM, YOU WILL NEED TO BE SURE THAT YOU ARE REGISTERED ON THE DAY OF BID RECEIPT AND OPENING WITH THE COMMERCE COMMISSION UNDER THE NEW, SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR AWARD. THE TELEPHONE NUMBER TO CALL TO CHECK YOUR STATUS IS 609 292-2146. ********

4.4.2 MANDATORY SUBMITTALS

The bidders must submit with their bid, literature containing technical specifications for each type of extinguisher bid. Failure to submit technical specifications/literature for each type of extinguisher bid will be cause for bid rejection for that item only.

4.4.2.1 DISCLOSURE OF PRODUCT COMPOSITION

- A. The bidder must furnish material safety data sheets (MSDS) or manufacturers' equivalent information sheets on the products and/or chemicals used in performing the services specified in this RFP with the bidder's bid proposal. These sheets must list complete chemical ingredients including the percentage composition of each ingredient in the mixture down to 0.1%, and the chemical abstract services numbers for those substances listing any potentially hazardous products, which may produce gas during or following application. Failure to supply this information will result in rejection of the bid proposal for that particular product(s).
- B. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) must be supplied with each fire extinguisher to the Using Agency. Failure to supply this information may result in contract cancellation.

4.4.2.2 BIDDER DATA SHEET

The bidder must provide all of the information requested. The bidder may provide its response on a separate attachment but should clearly note here that it is doing so:

1. Name of individual that may be contacted at all times if information, service, or problem solving is required by the Using Agency. This service shall be available at no additional charge.

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

	Name:	
	Address:	
	City, State:	
	Telephone Number:	Fax Number:
	2. Years of this individual's experience	e in servicing similar accounts:
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Length of time services provided by the bidder to this customer:

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2.4 MANDATORY CONTRACTOR	DATA SHEET - TERMINATED CONTRACTS
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1. Name of Firm:	
Contact Person:	
Phone Number:	
Reason for Termination:	
Reason for Termination:	
	

4.4.2.5 SAMPLES/SAMPLE TESTING

Products offered must be in accordance with this RFP. Bid samples of the fire extinguishers brand(s) bid, corresponding to price lines 00001-00031, or the hoses brand(s) bid, price lines

00032-00034 for evaluation and testing purposes must be made available at no charge and delivered to New Jersey Division of Fire Safety, Trenton NJ, Attn: Chris Eckert, Supervisor, at the bidder's expense. Bidders must, within 10 working days following a request from the State, submit bid samples to the New Jersey Division of Fire Safety, Trenton NJ, Attn: Chris Eckert, Supervisor, Bid samples will not be returned. The New Jersey Division of Fire Safety, Trenton NJ, Attn: Chris Eckert, Supervisor, will conduct laboratory tests to assure that the bid samples submitted of the fire extinguishers brand(s) bid, corresponding to price lines 00001-00031, or the hoses brand(s) bid, price lines 00032-00034 conform to this RFP. The State reserves the right to perform any tests necessary to assure that the bid samples conform to this RFP of the fire extinguishers brand(s) bid, corresponding to price lines 00001-00031, or the hoses brand(s) bid, price lines 00032-00034. The testing results of the State are final.

- Failure to supply sample of the fire extinguisher unit or the hose within this ten working (10) day period will result in the rejection of its bid proposal. The testing results of the New Jersey Division of Fire Safety are final.
- o If sample of a hose is required, the fifty (50)-foot test sample will be given a hydrostatic test at 400 lbs. pressure for five (5) minutes (at the discretion of the Purchase Bureau).

LABELING

All hoses must be labeled with marking to read: "Property State of New Jersey". Label lettering and/or markings are to be 1/2" high, minimum.

4.4.3 COST PROPOSAL

The bidder must submit its pricing using the State supplied price sheet(s) attached to this RFP. Failure to submit all information required will result in the bid being considered non-responsive. Each bidder is required to hold its prices firm through issuance of contract.

5.0 SPECIAL CONTRACTUAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

5.1 PRECEDENCE OF SPECIAL CONTRACTUAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The contract awarded as a result of this RFP shall consist of this RFP, addendum to this RFP, the contractor's bid proposal and the Division's Notice of Award.

Unless specifically stated within this RFP, the Special Contractual Terms and Conditions of the RFP take precedence over the Standard Terms and Conditions Appendix 1 of the RFP.

In the event of a conflict between the provisions of this RFP, including the Special Contractual Terms and Conditions and the Standard Terms and Conditions, and any Addendum to this RFP, the Addendum shall govern.

In the event of a conflict between the provisions of this RFP, including any Addendum to this RFP, and the bidder's bid proposal, the RFP and/or the Addendum shall govern.

5.2 BUSINESS REGISTRATION

See Standard Terms & Conditions, Appendix 1, Section 1.1.

5.3 CONTRACT TERM AND EXTENSION OPTION

The term of the contract shall be for a period of **twenty four (24) months.** The anticipated "Contract Effective Date" is provided on the cover sheet of this RFP. If delays in the procurement process result in a change to the anticipated Contract Effective Date, the bidder agrees to accept a contract for the full term of the contract. The contract may be extended for all or part of one (1) year periods, by the mutual written consent of the contractor(s) and the Director. Purchase orders may be placed against the contract up to and including the end of business on the last day of the contract, for delivery no more than 45 days after contract expiration.

5.4 CONTRACT TRANSITION

In the event that a new contract has not been awarded prior to the contract expiration date, as may be extended herein, it shall be incumbent upon the contractor to continue the contract under the same terms and conditions until a new contract can be completely operational. At no time shall this transition period extend more than **ninety - (90)** days beyond the expiration date of the contract.

5.5 AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

The State's obligation to pay the contractor is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for contract purposes is made. No legal liability on the part of the State for payment of any money shall arise unless funds are made available each fiscal year to the Using Agency by the Legislature.

5.6 CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Any changes or modifications to the terms of the contract shall only be valid when they have been reduced to writing and signed by the contractor and the Director.

5.7 PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS AND AMENDMENTS

- 5.7.1 The contractor shall comply with procedural instructions that may be issued from time to time by the Director.
- 5.7.2 During the period of the contract, no contractual changes are permitted, unless approved in writing by the Director.

5.7.3 The State reserves the right to separately procure individual requirements that are the subject of the contract during the contract term, when deemed by the Director to be in the State's best interest.

5.8 ITEMS ORDERED AND DELIVERED

The Using Agencies are authorized to order and the contractors are authorized to ship only those items covered by the contracts resulting from this RFP. If reviews of orders placed by the agencies reveal that material other than that covered by the contract has been ordered and delivered, such delivery shall be a violation of the terms of the contract and may be considered by the Director in the termination of the contract or in the award of any subsequent contract. The Director may take such steps as are necessary to have the items returned by the agency, regardless of the time between the date of delivery and discovery of the violation. In such event, the contractor shall reimburse the State the full purchase price.

The contract involves items, which are necessary for the continuation of ongoing critical State services. Any delay in delivery of these items would disrupt State services and would force the State to immediately seek alternative sources of supply on an emergency basis. Timely delivery is critical to meeting the State's ongoing needs.

5.9 DISCLOSURE OF PRODUCT COMPOSITION

The contractor must furnish MSDS or manufacturer's equivalent information sheets on the products and/or chemicals used in performing the services specified in the contract to the Using Agency. These sheets must list complete chemical ingredients including the percentage composition of each ingredient in the mixture down to 0.1%, and the chemical abstract services numbers for those substances listing any potentially hazardous products, which may produce gas during or following application.

5.10 REMEDIES FOR NON-PERFORMANCE

In the event that the contractor fails to comply with any material contract requirements, the Director may take steps to terminate the contract in accordance with the State administrative code. In this event, the Director may authorize the delivery of contract items by any available means, with the difference between the price paid and the defaulting contractor's price either being deducted from any monies due the defaulting contractor or being an obligation owed the State by the defaulting contractor.

Nothing in the contract shall be construed to be a waiver by the State of any warranty, expressed or implied, or any remedy at law or equity, except as specifically and expressly stated in a writing executed by the Director.

5.11 MANUFACTURING/PACKAGING REQUIREMENTS

- 5.11.1 All products must conform in every respect to the standards and regulations established by Federal and New Jersey State laws.
- 5.11.2 All products shall be manufactured and packaged under modern sanitary conditions in accordance with good commercial practice.
- 5.11.3 All products are to be packaged in sizes as specified in this RFP and shall be packaged in such a manner as to insure delivery in first class condition and properly marked for identification. All shipments must be comprised of original cartons associated with the commercial industry represented by the actual product contained within each carton. Deliveries containing re-used, relabeled, re-worked or alternate cartons are subject to rejection by the Using Agency at the contractor's expense.

5.12 PERFORMANCE BOND

RESERVED

5.13 CLAIMS

All claims asserted against the State by the contractor shall be subject to the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, N.J.S.A. 59:1-1.1, et seq., and/or the New Jersey Contractual Liability Act, N.J.S.A. 59:13-1, et seq.

5.14 CONTRACT ACTIVITY REPORT

In conjunction with the standard record keeping requirements of this contract, as listed in paragraph 3.19 of this RFP's standard terms and conditions, the contractor must provide, on a quarterly basis, to the Purchase Bureau buyer assigned, a record of all purchases made under its contract. This information must be provided in a tabular format such that an analysis can be made to determine the following:

-Contractor's total sales volume under contract, subtotaled by product.

Submission of purchase orders, confirmations, and/or invoices do not fulfill this contract requirement.

Contractors are encouraged to submit the required information in electronic spreadsheet format. The Purchase Bureau uses Microsoft Excel.

Failure to submit these mandated reports will be a factor in future award decisions.

6.0 PROPOSAL EVALUATION/CONTRACT AWARD

- 6.1 For a product bid that has been determined to be in compliance with this RFP, the contract shall be awarded on the basis of the following criteria, not necessarily listed in the order of importance:
 - 6.1.1 Price
 - 6.1.2 Experience of the bidder
 - 6.1.3 The bidder's past performance under similar contracts, including if applicable, the Division's vendor performance database.
 - 6.14 Small Business set-aside status.

6.2 ORAL PRESENTATION AND/OR CLARIFICATION OF BID PROPOSAL

After the submission of bid proposals, unless requested by the State, contact with the State is limited to status inquiries only and such inquiries are only to be directed to the buyer. Any further contact or information about the proposal to the buyer or any other State official connected with the solicitation will be considered an impermissible supplementation of the bidder's bid proposal.

A bidder may be required to give an oral presentation to the Evaluation Committee concerning its bid proposal. The Evaluation Committee may also require a bidder to submit written responses to questions regarding its bid proposal.

The purpose of such communication with a bidder, either through an oral presentation or a letter of clarification, is to provide an opportunity for the bidder to clarify or elaborate on its bid proposal. Original bid proposals submitted, however, cannot be supplemented, changed, or corrected in any way. No comments regarding other bid proposals are permitted. Bidders may not attend presentations made by their competitors.

It is within the Evaluation Committee's discretion whether to require a bidder to give an oral presentation or require a bidder to submit written responses to questions regarding its bid proposal. Action by the Evaluation Committee in this regard should not be construed to imply acceptance or rejection of a bid proposal. The Purchase Bureau buyer will be the sole point of contact regarding any request for an oral presentation or clarification.

6.3 One contract award shall be made for each line item with reasonable promptness by written notice to that responsible bidder(s), whose bid proposal(s), conforming to this RFP, are most advantageous to the State, price, and other factors considered. Any or all bid proposals may be rejected when the State Treasurer or the Director determines that it is in the public interest so to do.

END OF BID SPECIFICATIONS CHECK LIST***

Note:

This checklist is not a part of the bid specifications nor terms and conditions. It is only designed to help a bidder put the whole bid package together while ensuring that the important requirements are not left unaddressed. It's bidder's responsibility to make sure that nothing is left out in his bid proposal.

	YES	NO
1. The completed Affirmative Action Form is attached as Attachment 3 to this RFP.	Ħ	#
2. Completed Macbribe Principles Certification Enclosed. <u>Attachment 2 - Macbride Principles Form</u>	#	Ħ
3. The Ownership Disclosure Form is attached as Attachment 1 to this RFP	Ħ	Ħ
4. "Business Registration" See Standard Terms & Conditions, <u>Appendix 1, Section 1.1</u>	Ħ	Ħ
5. Complete Cooperative Purchasing form Attachment 4 - Cooperative Purchasing Form	Ħ	Ħ
6. Bidder Has Been Registered As A Small Business And Has Submitted Proof, Section 4.4.1.4f	#	Ħ
7. All other requirements, if any, to be qualified bidder satisfied.	#	Ħ
8. Delivery schedule on cover page of the bid proposal provided.	Ħ	Ħ
9. Two Copies Of All The Literature, Brochure, Technical Specifications, Charts, Reports, Drawings, Schematics Or Any Other Supporting Documents Enclosed	Ħ	Ħ
10. Prices supplied on all the price lines in a group(s) bid on the price sheet(s) and initial any price alteration(s).	Ħ	Ħ
11. One Original And One Copy Of The Bid Proposal Enclosed.	#	Ħ
12. Signed and dated the bid proposal	Ħ	Ħ

7.0 ATTACHMENTS, SUPPLEMENTS AND APPENDICES

ATTACHMENTS - To be submitted with bid proposal.

- 1. Ownership Disclosure Form
- 2. MacBride Principles Form
- 3. Affirmative Action Supplement Forms
- 4. Cooperative Purchasing Form
- 5. Reciprocity Form (Optional)
- 6. Chapter 13 Goods and Services Contracts for Small Businesses

APPENDICES

- 1. New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions
- 2. Set-Off for State Tax Notice

ATTACHMENT 1 - OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM

OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM				
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<u>ATTACHMENT 2 - MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES FORM</u>

NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE A CERTIFICATION IN COMPLIANCE WITH MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES AND NORTHERN IRELAND ACT OF 1989

Pursuant to Public Law 1995, c. 134, a responsible bidder selected, after public bidding, by the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-12, or the Director of the Division of Building and Construction, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-2, must complete the certification below by checking one of the two representations listed and signing where indicated. If a bidder who would otherwise be awarded a purchase, contract or agreement does not complete the certification, then the Directors may determine, in accordance with applicable law and rules, that it is in the best interest of the State to award the purchase, contract or agreement to another bidder who has completed the certification and has submitted a bid within five (5) percent of the most advantageous bid. If the Directors find contractors to be in violation of the principles which are the subject of this law, they shall take such action as may be appropriate and provided by law, rule or contract, including but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default and seeking debarrment or suspension of the party.

Name of Company Name (Type or Print)	-
Title Name (Type or Print)	-
Name (Type or Print)	-
Signature of Bidder	-
rtify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statement willfully false, I am subject to punishment.	nts made by me
 will take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations it has in Northern Ireland in a the MacBride principles of nondiscrimination in employment as set forth in N.J.S.A. 52:18A-89.8 a conformance with the United Kingdom's Fair Employment (Northern Ireland) Act of 1989, and per monitoring of their compliance with those principles.	and in
 has no ongoing business activities in Northern Ireland and does not maintain a physical presence the operation of offices, plants, factories, or similar facilities, either directly or indirectly, through intersubsidiaries or affiliated companies over which it maintains effective control; or	•
I certify, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-12.2 that the entity for which I am authorized to bid:	

ATTACHMENT 3 – AFFIRMATIVE ACTION SUPPLEMENT

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION	TERM CONTRACT - ADVERTISED BID PROPOSAL
DEPT OF THE TREASURY DIVISION OF PURCHASE & PROPERTY	BID NUMBER: 05-X-36920
STATE OF NEW JERSEY 33 WEST STATE STREET, 9TH FLOOR PO BOX 230 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625-0230	NAME OF BIDDER:

SUPPLEMENT TO BID SPECIFICATIONS

DURING THE PERFORMANCE OF THIS CONTRACT. THE CONTRACTOR AGREES AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. THE CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR, WHERE APPLICABLE, WILL NOT DISCRIMINATE AGAINST ANY EMPLOYEE OR APPLICANT FOR EMPLOYMENT BECAUSE OF AGE, RACE, CREED, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, MARITAL STATUS, SEX, AFFECTIONAL OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION. THE CONTRACTOR WILL TAKE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION TO ENSURE THAT SUCH APPLICANTS ARE RECRUITED AND EMPLOYED, AND THAT EMPLOYEES ARE TREATED DURING EMPLOYMENT, WITHOUT REGARD TO THEIR AGE, RACE, CREED, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, MARITAL STATUS, SEX, AFFECTIONAL OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION. SUCH ACTION SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING: EMPLOYMENT, UPGRADING, DEMOTION, OR TRANSFER; RECRUITMENT OR RECRUITMENT ADVERTISING; LAYOFF OR TERMINATION; RATES OF PAY OR OTHER FORMS OF COMPENSATION; AND SELECTION FOR TRAINING, INCLUDING APPRENTICESHIP. THE CONTRACTOR AGREES TO POST IN CONSPICUOUS PLACES, AVAILABLE TO EMPLOYEES AND APPLICANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT, NOTICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER SETTING FORTH PROVISIONS OF THIS NONDISCRIMINATION CLAUSE;
- 2. THE CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR, WHERE APPLICABLE WILL, IN ALL SOLICITATIONS OR ADVERTISEMENTS ,FOR EMPLOYEES PLACED BY OR ON BEHALF OF THE CONTRACTOR, STATE THAT ALL QUALIFIED APPLICANTS WILL RECEIVE CONSIDERATION FOR EMPLOYMENT WITHOUT REGARD TO AGE, RACE, CREED, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, MARITAL STATUS, SEX, AFFECTIONAL OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION.
- 3. THE CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR, WHERE APPLICABLE, WILL SEND TO EACH LABOR UNION OR REPRESENTATIVE OR WORKERS WITH WHICH IT HAS A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT OR OTHER CONTRACT OR UNDERSTANDING, A NOTICE, TO BE PROVIDED BY THE AGENCY CONTRACTING OFFICER ADVISING THE LABOR UNION OR WORKERS' REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CONTRACTOR'S COMMITMENTS UNDER THIS ACT AND SHALL POST COPIES OF THE NOTICE IN CONSPICUOUS PLACES AVAILABLE TO EMPLOYEES AND APPLICANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT.
- 4. THE CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR, WHERE APPLICABLE, AGREES TO COMPLY WITH THE REGULATIONS PROMULGATED BY THE TREASURER PURSUANT TO P.L. 1975, C. 127, AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED FROM TIME TO TIME AND THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT.
- 5. THE CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR AGREES TO ATTEMPT IN GOOD FAITH TO EMPLOY MINORITY AND FEMALE WORKERS CONSISTENT WITH THE APPLICABLE COUNTY EMPLOYMENT GOALS PRESCRIBED BY N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2 PROMULGATED BY THE TREASURER PURSUANT TO P.L. 1975, C. 127, AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED FROM TIME TO TIME OR IN ACCORDANCE WITH A BINDING DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICABLE COUNTY EMPLOYMENT GOALS DETERMINED BY THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION OFFICE PURSUANT TO N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2 PROMULGATED BY THE TREASURER PURSUANT TO P.L. 1975, C. 127, AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED FROM TIME TO TIME.
- 6. THE CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR AGREES TO INFORM IN WRITING APPROPRIATE RECRUITMENT AGENCIES IN THE AREA, INCLUDING EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES, PLACEMENT BUREAUS, COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES, LABOR UNIONS, THAT IT DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE ON THE BASIS OF AGE, CREED, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, MARITAL STATUS, SEX, AFFECTIONAL OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION, AND THAT IT WILL DISCONTINUE THE USE OF ANY RECRUITMENT AGENCY WHICH ENGAGES IN DIRECT OR INDIRECT DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES.
- 7. THE CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR AGREES TO REVISE ANY OF ITS TESTING PROCEDURES, IF NECESSARY, TO ASSURE THAT ALL PERSONNEL TESTING CONFORMS WITH THE PRINCIPLES OF JOB-RELATED TESTING, AS ESTABLISHED BY THE STATUTES AND COURT DECISIONS OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY AND AS ESTABLISHED BY APPLICABLE FEDERAL LAW AND APPLICABLE FEDERAL COURT DECISIONS.
- 8. THE CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR AGREES TO REVIEW ALL PROCEDURES RELATING TO TRANSFER, UPGRADING, DOWNGRADING AND LAYOFF TO ENSURE THAT ALL SUCH ACTIONS ARE TAKEN WITHOUT REGARD TO AGE, CREED, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, MARITAL STATUS, SEX, AFFECTIONAL OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION, AND CONFORM WITH THE APPLICABLE EMPLOYMENT GOALS, CONSISTENT WITH THE STATUTES AND COURT DECISIONS OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AND APPLICABLE FEDERAL LAW AND APPLICABLE FEDERAL COURT DECISIONS.

THE CONTRACTOR AND ITS SUBCONTRACTORS SHALL FURNISH SUCH REPORTS OR OTHER DOCUMENTS TO THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION OFFICE AS MAY BE REQUESTED BY THE OFFICE FROM TIME TO TIME IN ORDER TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES OF THESE REGULATIONS, AND PUBLIC AGENCIES SHALL FURNISH SUCH INFORMATION AS MAY BE REQUESTED BY THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION OFFICE FOR CONDUCTING A COMPLIANCE INVESTIGATION PURSUANT TO SUBCHAPTER 10 OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE (NJAC17:27).

* 1	NO FIRM MAY	BE ISSUED A	PURCHASE	ORDER OR	CONTRAC	CT WITH TH	E STATE	UNLESS'	THEY C	COMPLY V	VITH THE
ΔF	FIRMATIVE A	ACTION REGI	ILATIONS								

PLEASE CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX (ONE ONLY)						
I HAVE A CURRENT NEW JERSEY AFFIRMATIVE ACTION CERTIFICATE, (PLEASE ATTACH A COPY TO YOUR PROPOSAL).						
I HAVE A VALID FEDERAL AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN APPROVAL LETTER, (PLEASE ATTACH A COPY TO YOUR PROPOSAL).						
I HAVE COMPLETED THE ENCLOSED FORM AA302 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT.						

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT (FORM AA302)

IMPORTANT:

READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THE FORM. PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION. FAILURE TO PROPERLY COMPLETE THE ENTIRE FORM MAY DELAY ISSUANCE OF YOUR CERTIFICATE.

Item 1 - Enter the Federal Identification Number assigned to the Contractor or vendor by the Internal Revenue Service, or if a Federal Employer Identification Number has been applied for, but not yet issued, write the words "applied for",

or

If your business is such that you have not, or will not receive a Federal Employee Identification Number, enter the Social Security Number assigned to the single owner or to a partner, in case of partnership.

- **Item 2** Check the box appropriate to your TYPE OF BUSINESS. If you are engaged in more than one type of business, check the predominant one. If you are a manufacturer deriving more than 50% of your receipts from your own retail outlets, check "Retail".
- **Item 3** Enter the total "number" of employees in the entire company, including part-time employees. This number shall include all facilities in the entire firm or corporation.
- **Item 4** Enter the name by which the company is identified. If there is more than one company name, enter the predominant one.
- **Item 5** Enter the physical location of the company, include City, County, State and Zip Code.
- **Item 6** Enter the name of any parent or affiliated company including City, State and Zip Code. If there is none, so indicate by entering "None" or N/A.
- **Item 7 -** Check the appropriate box for the total number of employees in the entire company. "Entire Company" shall include all facilities in the entire firm or corporation, including part-time employees, not use those employees at the facility being awarded the contract.
- **Item 8** Check the box appropriate to your type of company establishment. Single-establishment Employer shall include an employer whose business is conducted at more than one location.
- **Item 9** If multi-establishment was entered in Item 8, enter the number of establishments within the State of New Jersey.
- ${\bf Item~10}$ Enter the total number of employees at the establishment being awarded the contract.
- **Item 11** Enter the name of the Public Agency awarding the contract. Include City, State and Zip Code.

Item 12 - Enter the appropriate figures on all lines and in all columns. THIS SHALL ONLY INCLUDE EMPLOYMENT DATA FROM THE FACILITY THAT IS BEING AWARDED THE CONTRACT. DO NOT list the same employee in more than one job category.

Racial/Ethnic Groups will be so defined:

Black: Not of Hispanic origin. Persons have origin in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

Hispanic: Persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban or Central or South American or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

American Indian or Alaskan Native: Persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintain cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

Asian or Pacific Islander: Persons having origin in any of the peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent or the Pacific Islands. This area includes for example, China, Japan, the Philippine Islands and Somoa.

- **Item 13** Check the appropriate box, if the race or ethnic group information was not obtained by 1 or 2, specify by what other means this was done in 3.
- **Item 14** Enter the dates of the payroll period used to prepare the employment data presented in Item 12.
- **Item 15** If this is the first time an Employee Information Report has been submitted for this company, check block "Yes".
- **Item 16** If the answer to Item 15 is "No", enter the date when the last Employee Information Report was submitted by this company.
- **Item 17** Print or type the name of the person completing this form. Include the signature, title and date.
- **Item 18** Enter the physical location where the form is being completed. Include City, State, Zip Code and Phone Number.

State of New Jersey AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT

IMPORTANT - READ INSTRUCTIONS ON PRIOR PAGE CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING FORM. TYPE OR PRINT SHARP BALL POINT PEN. FAILURE TO PROPERLY COMPLETE THE ENTIRE FORM MAY DELAY ISSUANCE OF YOUR CERTIFICATE.

SECTION A - COMPANY IDENTIFICATION											
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			4. RETAIL	☐ 5. OTH	IER						
4. COMPANY NAME											_
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Professionals											
Technicians											
Sales Workers											
Office and Clerical											
Craftworkers (Skilled)											
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ATTACHMENT 4 - COOPERATIVE PURCHASING FORM

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

PURCHASE BUREAU

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

33 WEST STATE STREET

PO BOX 230

TRENTON, NJ 08625-0230

NUMBER:05-X-36920

BID OPEN DATE: 07/21/04

TIME:2 PM

T-NUMBER: T0042

BIDDERS NAME:

BIDDERS FID:

IMPORTANT NOTICE

BIDDERS ARE ADVISED TO REVIEW THE ATTACHED REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) AND ANSWER THE CONTRACT EXTENSION QUESTION LISTED BELOW.

AGREEMENT TO EXTEND STATE CONTRACT TERMS

TO QUASI-STATE AGENCIES, COUNTIES, MUNICIPALITIES, SCHOOL DISTRICTS, COUNTY COLLEGES AND STATE
COLLEGES

THE QUESTION BELOW ELICITS THE BIDDER'S ADVANCE AGREEMENT TO OR REJECTION OF THE USE OF THIS STATE CONTRACT BY THE FOLLOWING ENTITIES:

N.J.S.A. 52:27B-56.1 PERMITS THE PARTICIPATION OF QUASI-STATE AGENCIES IN STATE CONTRACTS.

N.J.S.A. 52:25-16.1 ALLOWS THE DIRECTOR TO EXTEND IN ADVANCE THE LOCAL USE OF STATE CONTRACTS BY INCLUDING A PROVISION FOR SUCH PURCHASES IN THE STATE CONTRACT.

N.J. S.A. 52 :25-16.2 PERMITS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS, SOUADS TO PARTICIPATE IN STATE CONTRACTS.

VOLUNTEER FIRST AID SQUADS AND RESCUE

N.J.S.A. 52:25-16.5 PERMITS INDEPENDENT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO PARTICIPATE IN STATE CONTRACTS.

N.J.S.A. 18A:64A-25.9 PERMITS ANY COLLEGE TO PARTICIPATE IN STATE CONTRACTS.

N.J.S.A. 18A:64-60 PERMITS ANY STATE COLLEGE TO PARTICIPATE IN STATE CONTRACTS.

N.J.S.A. 40:11-12 AND N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-10 TO ALLOW COUNTIES. MUNICIPALITIES AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO USE SUCH STATE CONTRACTS AND TO DEAL "DIRECTLY" WITH STATE CONTRACT VENDORS INSTEAD OF BIDDING THE ITEMS.

THE SAME PRICE MUST BE ESTABLISHED FOR THE STATE AND FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS; OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS ALSO MUST BE THE SAME UNLESS A PARTICULAR TERM OR CONDITION IS SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIED OTHERWISE IN THE RFP BY THE STATE.

A BIDDER'S WILLINGNESS OR UNWILLINGNESS TO EXTEND WILL "NOT" BE A FACTOR IN DETERMINING THE STATE AWARD. THE DIRECTOR WILL "NOT" AWARD A SEPARATE CONTRACT FOR LOCAL USE. THE VENDOR MAY NOT CHANGE HIS DECISION DURING THE CONTRACT TERM.

DO YOU AGREE TO EXTEND ANY STATE CONTRACTS AWARDED AS A RESULT OF THIS RFP TO THE AFOREMENTIONED ENTITIES AT THE SAME PRICE AND COMMON TERMS AND CONDITIONS?

YES	NC	1

IF THE BIDDER DOES NOT CHECK "YES" OR "NO" TO THE ABOVE QUESTION, THE ANSWER WILL BE CONSIDERED AS "NO".

NOTE: NO CONTRACT WILL BE EXTENDED TO THESE ENTITIES UNLESS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF PURCHASE AND PROPERTY SPECIFICALLY PROVIDES FOR THE EXTENSION AT THE TIME OF THE AWARD.

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ATTACHMENT 5 - RECIPROCITY FORM

RECIPROCITY FORM (Optional Submission)

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS

Effective October 7, 1991 in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:32-1.4 and N.J.A.C. 17:12-2.13, the State of New Jersey will invoke reciprocal action against an out-of-State bidder whose State or locality maintains a preference practice for their bidders.

For States having preference laws, regulations, or practices, New Jersey will use the annual surveys compiled by the Council of State Governments, National Association of State Purchasing Officials, or the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing to invoke reciprocal actions. The State may obtain additional information anytime it deems appropriate to supplement the above survey information.

Any bidder may submit information related to preference practices enacted for a local entity outside the State of New Jersey. This information may be submitted in writing as part of the bid response proposal, and should be in the form or resolutions passed by an appropriate governing body, regulations, a Notice to Bidders, laws, etc. It is the responsibility of the bidder to provide the documentation with the bid proposal or submit it to the Director, Division of Purchase and Property within five (5) working days of the public bid opening. Written evidence for a specific procurement that is not provided to the Director within five working days of the public bid opening will not be considered in the evaluation of that procurement, but will be retained and considered in the evaluation of subsequent procurements.

,	of appropriate documentation. Sal.	es invoking preference practices s . The form and documentation ma	ay be submitted with
Name of Locality havi	ng preference practices:		
City /Town/Authority			
County			
State			
☐ Documentation Attac	ched		
☐ Resolution☐ Notice to Bidder		☐ Regulations/Laws ☐ Other	
Name of Firm Submitti	ng this information		

ATTACHMENT 6 - CHAPTER 13 - GOODS AND SERVICES CONTRACTS FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

CHAPTER 13 GOODS AND SERVICES CONTRACTS FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

SUBCHAPTER 1. PURPOSE, SCOPE AND DEFINITIONS

17:13-1.1 Purpose and scope

- (a) The rules in this chapter are jointly promulgated by the Commerce and Economic Growth Commission (hereinafter, "Commerce Commission") and the Department of the Treasury to implement N.J.S.A. 52:32-17 et seq. and Executive Order No. 84, dated March 5, 1993, to establish a set-aside program that, in part, requires State agencies with contracting authority to make a good faith effort to award 15 percent of State contracts and subcontracts to eligible small businesses. This percentage goal is an overall program goal for each State contracting agency. State contracting agencies are expected to apply their business judgment when establishing set-aside goals for individual contracts.
- (b) These rules apply only to State contracts for goods and services awarded by any State contracting agency and are not applicable to the award of State contracts for construction and construction related services.
- (c) Applications and questions regarding eligibility as a small business should be addressed to:

Commerce and Economic Growth Commission

Set-Aside and Certification Office

20 West State Street

PO Box 820

Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0820

Questions concerning the award of contracts under these rules should be directed to the State contracting agency issuing the particular contract.

17:13-1.2 Definitions

The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, shall have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

"Bidding threshold" means the dollar limit placed on all public contracting agencies pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-7 to establish when public advertisement of bids is required.

"Contractor" means any party providing goods and/or services or performing or offering to perform under a

contract issued by a State contracting agency.

"Cooperative purchasing" means an extension of certain State contracts awarded by the Division of Purchase and Property for the use of either local governing authorities, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:25-16.1 et seq., volunteer fire departments, volunteer first aid squads and rescue squads, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:25-16.2, county colleges, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:64A- 25.9(b), State colleges, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:64-60, or quasi-State agencies, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27B-56.1. Such an award is made as an adjunct to an award of a contract for State agency purchases.

"Delegated purchasing authority" means the authority of a State agency to award contracts below the bid threshold amount pursuant to authority delegated by the Director, Division of Purchase and Property. (See N.J.S.A. 52:25-23.)

"Division of Purchase and Property" means the State agency within the Department of the Treasury which provides centralized purchasing of goods and services for other State departments, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27B-56.

"Goal" means the statutorily determined percentage of contracts awarded by each State contracting agency to eligible small businesses in order to comply with the small business provisions of the Set-Aside Act.

"Invitation for Bids" or "IFB" means the document issued by a State contracting agency to initiate an advertised bidding and contract award process, and includes Requests for Proposals (RFPs) and Requests for Quotations (RFQs). The IFB establishes the contract's terms and conditions, the product and/or service specifications, and the bidding eligibility to businesses approved as small business entities.

"Line item contract" means an award in which a specific one-time purchase of goods or services is established.

"Multi-source contract" means a term contract awarded by the Division of Purchase and Property wherein more than one vendor is awarded a contract in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:34-12.1.

"Registration" means the process by which any business can have its eligibility for participation in the Commerce Commission's small business programs determined.

"Request for Proposals" or "RFP" means the document issued by a State contracting agency to initiate an advertising bidding and contract award process.

"Secretary" means the Chief Executive Officer and Secretary of the Commerce Commission or his or her designee.

"Set-aside contract," for the purposes of construing and applying these rules only, means a contract, specifically designated by a contracting agency as exclusively available for award to a small business.

"Small business" means a business which has its principal place of business in the State, is independently owned and operated, has no more than 100 full-time employees, and has gross revenues that do not exceed \$12 million.

"State contracting agency" means any board, commission, committee, authority, division, department or agency of the State which possesses the legal authority to enter into or award contracts for goods and services including, but not limited to, the following entities except where expressly inconsistent with New Jersey or Federal statutory law:

Agriculture Banking and Insurance Personnel **Community Affairs** Corrections Education **Environmental Protection** Health and Senior Services **Human Services** Labor Law and Public Safety Military and Veterans Affairs State Transportation Treasury 2. COLLEGES: College of New Jersey Kean University Montclair State University New Jersey City University New Jersey Institute of Technology Ramapo College of New Jersey Richard Stockton College of New Jersey Rowan University

Rutgers the State University of New Jersey

1. DEPARTMENTS:

Thomas A. Edison State College
University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey
William Paterson University of New Jersey
3. AUTHORITIES:
Board of Public Utilities
Casino Redevelopment Authority
Development Authority for Small Businesses, Minorities and Women's Enterprises
Expressway Authority
Health Care Facilities Financing Authority
Highway Authority
N.J. Economic Development Authority
N.J. Educational Facilities Authority
N.J. Health Care Facilities Financing Authority
N.J. Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency
N.J. Transit Corp.
N.J. Water Supply Authority
Public Broadcasting Authority
Sports and Exposition Authority
Turnpike Authority
Urban Development Corporation
4. COMMISSIONS:
Beach Erosion Commission
Casino Control Commission
County and Municipal Government Study Commission

Commerce and Economic Growth Commission

Election Law Enforcement Commission
Executive Commission on Ethical Standards

New Jersey Meadowlands Commission

N.J. Commission on Capital Budgeting and Planning

N.J. Racing Commission

North Jersey Water Supply Commission

Passaic Valley Sewer Commission

Pinelands Commission

State Commission of Investigation

5. MULTI-STATE AGENCIES:

Delaware River Basin Commission

Port Authority of New York and New Jersey

Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission

Delaware River Port Authority

Delaware River and Bay Authority

Atlantic Interstate Low-Level Radioactive Waste Compact

Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission

Interstate Environmental Commission

Palisades Interstate Park Commission

Waterfront Commission of New York Harbor

6. All other departments, colleges, authorities and commissions that are established or may be established in the future.

"Subcontractor" means a third party that is engaged by a contractor to perform all or part of the goods and/or services included in a contract with the State.

"Target" means the numerical objectives which a State contracting agency establishes, on a contract by contract basis, in order to meet its small business goal.

"Term contract" means an award made by a State contracting agency in which a source of supply for a product or service is established for a specific period of time. A term contract is generally applied when a State

contracting agency:

- 1. Establishes a fixed unit price or discount for items to be purchased thereunder;
- 2. Provides for some estimated dollar volume or minimum quantities to be purchased; or
- 3. Provides for the rebidding of any single purchase which exceeds a specified maximum amount.

"Treasurer" means the Treasurer of the State of New Jersey or his or her designee.

"Waiver of advertising" means an award process authorized by N.J.S.A. 52:34-9 and 52:34-10, which does not require public advertisement and which is subject to approval by the State Treasurer. Whenever possible, competition is sought prior to issuance of a waiver of advertising.

SUBCHAPTER 2. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

17:13-2.1 Standards of eligibility for small businesses

- (a) In order to be eligible as a small business, a business must satisfy all of the following criteria:
- 1. The business must be independently owned and operated, as evidenced by its management being responsible for both its daily and long term operation, and its management owning at least 51 percent interest in the business.
- 2. The business must be incorporated or registered to do business in the State and have its principal place of business in New Jersey, defined as such when either 51 percent or more of its employees work in New Jersey, as evidenced by the payment of New Jersey unemployment taxes, or 51 percent or more of its business activities take place in New Jersey, as evidenced by its payment of income or business taxes.
- 3. The business must be a sole proprietorship, partnership or corporation with 100 or fewer employees in full-time positions, not including:
- i. Seasonal and part-time employees employed for less than 90 days, if seasonal and casual part-time employment are common to that industry; and
- ii. Consultants employed under other contracts not related to the goods and services which are the subject of the specific contract for which the business wants to be eligible as a small business.
- 4. The business must have gross revenues that do not exceed \$12 million.
- i. Gross revenues of a business which has been in business for three or more completed years means the revenues of the business over its last three completed tax years divided by three.
- ii. Gross revenues of a business which has been in business for less than three complete tax years means the revenues for the period the business has been in business divided by the number of weeks in business, multiplied by 52.

- iii. Gross revenues of a business which has been in business three or more complete tax years but has a short year as one of those years means the revenue for the short year and the two full years divided by the number of weeks in the short year and the two full years, multiplied by 52.
- (b) In addition to (a) above, the Commerce Commission may limit participation in its small business set-aside programs to businesses whose individual owners do not exceed \$750,000 in personal net worth.
- (c) Eligibility is formalized by the Commerce Commission's registration and approval process.
- (d) Small businesses will be registered in one of the following three categories:
- 1. Small businesses whose gross revenues do not exceed \$500,000;
- 2. Small businesses whose gross revenues do not exceed \$5 million; or
- 3. Small businesses whose gross revenues do not exceed \$12 million.
- (e) Small businesses registered in the category in (d)1 above will be eligible to participate in set-aside contracts and subcontracting programs available to businesses registered in the categories in (d)1, 2 and 3 above. Small businesses registered in the category in (d)2 above will be eligible to participate in set-side contracts and subcontracting programs available to businesses registered in the categories in (d)2 and 3 above. Small businesses registered in the category in (d)3 above will be eligible to participate in set-aside contracts and subcontracting programs available to businesses in the category in (d)3 above only.
- 17:13-2.2 Obligation to provide information and penalties for failure to provide complete and accurate information
- (a) Applicants under these rules shall accurately and honestly supply all information required by the Commerce Commission.
- (b) When a business has been approved as an eligible small business, on the basis of false information knowingly supplied by the business and the business has been awarded a State contract or a subcontract thereto, the Secretary, after notice and opportunity for a contested case hearing pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-10 and N.J.A.C. 1:1, shall:
- 1. Assess the business any difference between the contract amount and what the State's cost would have been if the contract had not been awarded in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:32-17 et seq.;
- 2. Assess the business a penalty in the amount of not more than 10 percent of the amount of the contract or subcontract involved; and
- 3. Order the business ineligible to transact any business with a State contracting agency for a period of not less than three months and not more than 24 months.
- (c) Any business approved by the Commerce Commission as a small business shall immediately apprise the Commerce Commission of any circumstances which might affect the eligibility of the business under these rules.

(d) The failure of a business to report any such changed circumstances, or the intentional reporting of false information, shall disqualify the business for inclusion on any vendors list under these rules and may subject the business to adverse action by contracting agencies and/or the Attorney General.

SUBCHAPTER 3. REGISTRATION

17:13-3.1 Registration procedures for small businesses

- (a) Registration procedures established by the Commerce Commission are as follows:
- 1. Any business which seeks to register as a small business must apply to the Commerce Commission and pay a \$100.00 annual registration fee. In addition to the \$100.00 registration fee, any business applying for certification must pay a \$75.00 application fee pursuant to the period indicated in N.J.A.C. 12A:11-1.11. For these purposes, the Commerce Commission shall prepare a Vendor Registration Form. This form shall be available from the Commerce Commission and the State contracting agencies.
- 2. As part of its application to the Commerce Commission, a business shall reasonably document its principal place of business, independent status, number of employees, and its gross revenues. Where available, this documentation should include appropriate forms or reports otherwise submitted to or issued by State and Federal agencies, such as employee reports filed with the New Jersey Department of Labor or certificates of incorporation issued by the New Jersey Department of the Treasury.
- 3. If an applicant fails to complete fully the Vendor Registration Form, registration may be delayed or denied.
- 4. If an applicant knowingly supplies incomplete or inaccurate information, the applicant shall be disqualified under these rules and may be subject to other penalties described in N.J.A.C. 17:13-2.2 (12A:10-2.2).
- 5. When an application for registration as a small business is approved by the Commerce Commission, the Commerce Commission will issue the newly registered business an approval notice and add it to the Commerce Commission's small vendors list.
- 6. State contracting agencies will utilize these lists in confirming eligibility for set-aside contracts and subcontracts and in reporting progress toward established goals.

17:13-3.2 Time for application to register as a small business

- (a) A business may apply to the Commerce Commission at any time to be registered as a small business and to be placed on the appropriate vendor list.
- (b) If a business is to be eligible to bid on a specific set-aside contract or participate in the subcontracting target programs for purposes of these rules, it must be registered as a small business by the Commerce Commission on the date the bid or bid proposal is received and opened by the State contracting agency.

17:13-3.3 Procedures for challenging a business registered as a small business

- (a) The qualification under these rules of a business on a vendors list as a small business may be challenged by any other business on that State vendors list or by any of the State contracting agencies subject to these rules.
- 1. A registration challenge shall be made in writing to the Set-Aside and Certification Office of the Commerce Commission, setting forth the factual basis for the challenge. The Commerce Commission shall provide a copy of the challenge and a notice granting the opportunity for a hearing to the challenged business. Where a particular contract is at issue, the Commerce Commission shall also provide a copy of the challenge to the contracting agency.
- 2. A registration challenge to the Commerce Commission may concern only the qualification of a business under these rules as a small business. Any challenge to a business's qualifications to perform a contract shall be referred to the appropriate State contracting agency.
- (b) When the Commerce Commission receives a challenge, upon request of the business whose registration is at issue, the Commerce Commission shall conduct a hearing on the matter as follows:
- 1. The Commerce Commission shall notify all interested parties of the time and place of the hearing, and of the right to attend and be represented at the hearing.
- 2. The burden of proof lies with the challenger. However, the Commerce Commission may use its own resources to ascertain the validity of a challenge and the status of a business.
- 3. The hearing will be conducted by the designee of the Secretary. This designee will issue a written report to the Secretary within four working days following the close of the hearing.
- 4. At the discretion of the Secretary's designee, participants at the hearing may be permitted to file written exceptions to the hearing officer's report no later than two working days from the issuance of the report.
- 5. Thereafter, the Secretary shall issue a final decision on the challenge and notify the parties by certified letter.
- 6. A challenge to a business's eligibility shall not stay the contract award process.

17:13-3.4 Interim registration period

- (a) A business registered as a small business or certified as a minority or female business by the Commerce Commission, as of July 8, 2003, shall be granted an interim registration by the Commerce Commission in one of the categories set forth in N.J.A.C. 12A:10-2.1(d) (17:13-2.1(d)), if its gross revenues, as determined by information retrieved from a third party database, do not exceed \$12 million.
- (b) A business shall retain its interim registration until it has submitted a Vendor Registration Form to the

Commerce Commission and has been granted or denied approval as an eligible small business, or until December 31, 2003, whichever is earlier.

(c) During the interim registration period, a business shall be eligible to participate in all set-aside contracts and subcontracting programs available to businesses registered in its category.

SUBCHAPTER 4. SET-ASIDE CONTRACTING AND SUBCONTRACTING PROGRAM

17:13-4.1 Set-aside program goals and procedures

- (a) Each State contracting agency, consistent with its contracting authority, shall establish and administer a set-aside program which provides for at least 15, or the established goal pursuant to the Set-Aside Act, N.J.S.A. 52:32-17 et seq., whichever is greater, percent of the dollar value of its contracts to be awarded to eligible small businesses, as follows: at least five percent shall be awarded to small businesses whose gross revenues to not exceed \$500,000; at least an additional five percent shall be awarded to small businesses whose gross revenues do not exceed \$5 million; and at least an additional five percent shall be awarded to small businesses whose gross revenues do not exceed \$12 million.
- 1. Percentages shall be measured by the total dollar value of all such set- aside contracts in comparison to the total dollar value of all publicly advertised contracts awarded by the agency within a fiscal year.
- 2. The State contracting agencies shall designate specific contracts for each of the three set-aside categories.
- (b) Each State contracting agency shall establish written procedures and maintain records as necessary to define, document and report its good faith efforts to attain the established set-aside contracting goals, including contracts executed under its bidding threshold, as established by N.J.S.A. 52:34-7 et seq. The set-aside procedures shall include the following provisions:
- 1. The State contracting agency shall review its schedule of contracting opportunities and establish a method of determining which upcoming contracts will be offered as part of the agency's set-aside program.
- i. A contract may be considered suitable for set-aside whenever the contracting agency can establish a reasonable expectation that bids may be obtained from at least three qualified eligible businesses capable of furnishing the specified products or services.
 - ii. The designation as a set-aside contract shall be made prior to public advertisement for bids.
- (c) When a State contracting agency has made a determination that a contract is suitable for set-aside purposes, the following provisions apply:
- 1. Public advertisement of the set-aside contracting opportunity shall be consistent with the contracting agency's standard bidding procedures and may be supplemented by special notification efforts to maximize participation.
- 2. Invitations for bids, or a portion thereof, shall be specifically set aside for small businesses whose gross revenues do not exceed \$500,000 or small businesses whose gross revenues do not exceed \$5 million or small businesses whose gross revenues do not exceed \$12 million, and bids from other bidders shall be rejected.

- 3. The State contracting agency shall reject all bids and withdraw the designation as a set-aside contract when the agency determines that acceptance of the lowest responsive bid would result in the payment of an unreasonable price or in a contract that is otherwise unacceptable pursuant to that agency's contracting statutes and rules.
- 4. The State contracting agency shall notify all participating bidders of the bid cancellation, stating the reasons for the cancellation and the agency's intent to re-solicit bids on an unrestricted basis.
- 5. The award of any contract designated as a set-aside contract shall be made in accordance with the agency's contracting statutes, rules and procedures.

17:13-4.2 Subcontracting target program and procedures

- (a) When it deems appropriate, any State contracting agency, consistent with its contracting authority, may establish and administer a subcontracting target program in lieu of or as a supplement to the set-aside program.
- (b) Each State contracting agency shall establish written procedures and maintain records as necessary to define, document and report subcontracts awarded pursuant to this program. The procedures shall include the following provisions:
- 1. The State contracting agency shall review its schedule of contracting opportunities and establish a method of determining which upcoming contracts are suitable for the subcontracting target program.
- i. Factors to be considered when making the determination that a particular contract is suitable for inclusion in this program include, but are not limited to: the total dollar amount of the project and subcontracting opportunities on the project.
- ii. The designation of a particular contract as part of the subcontracting target program shall be made prior to the public advertisement for bids or established pursuant to addenda.
- (c) Nothing in these rules shall be construed as requiring or permitting a State contracting agency to depart from its statutory restrictions or documented policies governing the percentage of a contract which may be subcontracted.
- (d) The bid documents shall contain a detailed notice to bidders advising of the following:
- 1. The bidding package includes a small business utilization form or forms considered a material and mandatory requirement which must be completed and included as part of the bidder's proposal.
- 2. Failure to complete and submit the form or forms may render the proposal nonresponsive and thus subject to rejection.
- 3. The small business utilization plan will be used by the State contracting agency to determine, prior to award, whether the bidder's proposal is reasonably designed to meet the targets.
- (e) A bidder's proposal failing to identify contracts for small businesses shall include documentation of the bidder's good faith efforts to meet the subcontracting targets. Documentation may include a record of the

bidder's attempts to contract with eligible businesses and the reasons for failure to meet the subcontracting targets, or a certification that the bidder does not intend to subcontract any work.

- (f) The State contracting agency shall review this documentation in order to determine whether the bidder made reasonable efforts to solicit and award contracts to eligible small businesses.
- (g) The State contracting agency will consider the bidders actions taken pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:14-4.3 (12A:10A-4.3) in determining whether reasonable efforts were made by the bidder to solicit and award subcontracts to eligible small businesses.
- (h) The award of any contract pursuant to this program shall be made, in accordance with the State contracting agency's applicable statutes, rules and procedures, to the bidder whose proposal meets or demonstrates a genuine good faith effort to meet the targets.

17:13-4.3 Good faith efforts of bidders; requirements

- (a) The following actions shall be taken by a bidder in establishing a good faith effort to solicit and award subcontracts to eligible small businesses, as established in the RFP:
- 1. The bidder shall attempt to locate qualified potential small business subcontractors;
- 2. The bidder shall request a listing of small businesses from the Commerce Commission if none are known to the bidder:
- 3. The bidder shall keep a record of its efforts, including the names of businesses contacted and the means and results of such contacts;
- 4. The bidder shall provide all potential subcontractors with detailed information regarding the specifications; and
- 5. The bidder shall attempt, wherever possible, to negotiate prices with potential subcontractors submitting higher than acceptable price quotes.
- (b) Bidders shall maintain adequate records to document their efforts.

17:13-4.4 Exemptions from set-aside program

In those circumstances where Federal law or regulations permit or require a procurement procedure other than those prescribed herein, the State contracting agency may follow the Federal procedures notwithstanding the provisions of these regulations, provided that the State contracting agency issues a written declaration that such Federal laws are in effect.

17:13-5.1 Planning

- (a) Within 60 calendar days of the finalization of the State budget for each State contracting agency, that agency shall submit to the Secretary a plan for the coming fiscal year to comply with the programs established by these rules. The Commerce Commission will assist any State contracting agency in the development of its plan, upon request.
- 1. The plan shall include a list of all known procurements and reprocurements scheduled to bid during that fiscal year, including the following information:
 - i. The name of the products or services covered by the contract;
 - ii. The expiration date of the current contract and the estimated date of the public bid;
 - iii. The term or duration of the contract;
 - iv. The estimated dollar value of the contract or the amount expended to date on the current contract;
- v. The contracts that the agency intends to set aside in each of the three small business set-aside categories set forth in N.J.A.C. 12A:10-4.1;
- vi. The contracts which have been identified as appropriate for its set- aside programs and the contracts which have been identified as appropriate for its target programs;
- vii. In addition to the requirements in (a)1i through vi above, the Division of Purchase and Property shall identify those multi-source term contracts included in the Cooperative Purchasing Program and indicate which of the multi-source contracts will be set-aside in their entirety and which will contain select line items set aside for small businesses.
- 2. Each State contracting agency, with the exception of the Division of Purchase and Property, shall include a list of those products and services typically purchased under the bidding threshold, identifying those deemed appropriate for inclusion in the small business programs.
- i. Each State department served by the Division of Purchase and Property shall provide the Commerce Commission with a list of those products and services typically purchased pursuant to its delegated purchasing authority, or with a list of those products and services purchased during the preceding fiscal year under that authority.
- 3. Each State contracting agency shall list contracts awarded as the result of Waivers of Advertising.
- 4. Each State contracting agency shall quarterly update its small business program plans with a list of line item contracts not included in its initial procurement schedules, containing the same information required by N.J.A.C. 12A:10-5.1(a) (17:13-5.1(a)).
- 5. Copies of contracting plans shall be available for review during normal business hours in the office of each State contracting agency.
- (b) The Commerce Commission shall review the plan to determine whether it is reasonably designed to achieve

the State contracting agency's goal of awarding five percent of its total contracting dollars to small businesses whose gross revenues do not exceed \$500,000, an additional five percent of its total contracting dollars to small businesses whose gross revenues do not exceed \$5 million, and an additional five percent of its total contracting dollars to small businesses whose gross revenues do not exceed \$12 million.

17:13-5.2 Reporting requirements

- (a) Within 30 calendar days of the end of each State contracting agency's fiscal quarters, the agency shall file with the Commerce Commission a report containing the following information prescribed by the Commerce Commission:
- 1. The total number and dollar value of all contracts advertised and awarded, a list of the bidders awarded contracts including the amount of the contract award, delineating which of these contracts and the percentages that were advertised and awarded as set-aside contracts in each of the three categories of small businesses set forth in N.J.A.C. 12A:10-4.1 (17:13-4.1);
- i. The State contracting agencies, in determining compliance with the set- aside goals for the three categories, shall count only those contracts awarded as a result of set-aside designations and only for the categories designated. If a registered small business is awarded a contract that was not set aside, that contract cannot be counted as a set-aside award but shall be counted toward attainment of the agency's overall goal.
- ii. The Division of Purchase and Property shall include a list of multi- source contracts which contain lines set aside for each of the three categories of small businesses, and those contracts extended through the Cooperative Purchasing Program.
- 2. The total number and dollar value of all advertised and awarded contracts which included subcontract targets, setting forth the number and dollar value of subcontracts awarded to each of the three categories of small businesses, respectively.
- 3. Each State department served by the Division of Purchase and Property shall report the total number and dollar value of all purchases made under its delegated purchasing authority, delineating purchases and percentages made from each of the three categories of small businesses, respectively.
- 4. A description of efforts made by the State contracting agency to conduct outreach and educational programs for potential eligible small businesses and any efforts made to assist the business community in achieving the objectives of these programs.
- (b) Within 90 calendar days of the close of each State contracting agency's fiscal year, the agency shall file with the Commerce Commission, in a format prescribed by the Commerce Commission, an analysis of actual contracting dollars paid to all contractors and actual contracting dollars paid to each of the three categories of small businesses, pursuant to set-aside contracts and subcontracts.
- (c) All reports required by this subchapter shall be considered public records for the purposes of N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq. and shall be retained as part of the permanent records of the State contracting agency and the Commerce Commission.

17:13-5.3 Annual review

The Secretary and the Treasurer of the State of New Jersey shall undertake an annual review of the operation and report to the Governor on the need for continuation or modification of the small business programs contained in this chapter. This report shall be based upon the reports submitted to the Commerce Commission and any other information deemed appropriate. The report will include performance data on compliance and deficiencies for each contracting agency and be publicly distributed as deemed appropriate.

APPENDIX 1 NJ STATE STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

STATE OF NEW JERSEY STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- I. Unless the bidder is specifically instructed otherwise In the Request for Proposal, the following terms and conditions will apply to all contracts or purchase agreements made with the State of New Jersey. These terms are in addition to the terms and conditions set forth in the Request for Proposal (RFP) and should be read in conjunction with same unless the RFP specifically indicates otherwise. If a bidder proposes changes or modifications or takes exception to any of the State's terms and conditions, the bidder must so state specifically in writing in the bid proposal. Any proposed change, modification or exception in the State's terms and conditions by a bidder will be a factor in the determination of an award of a contractor purchase agreement.
- II. All of the State's terms and conditions will become a part of any contract(s) or order(s) awarded as a result of the Request for Proposal, whether stated in part, in summary or by reference. In the event the bidder's terms and conditions conflict with the State's, the State's terms and conditions will prevail, unless the bidder is notified in writing of the State's acceptance of the bidder's terms and conditions.
- III. The statutes, laws or codes cited are available for review at the New Jersey State Library, 185 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey 08625.
- IV. If awarded a contract or purchase agreement, the bidder's status shall be that of any independent principal and not as an employee of the State.

1. STATE LAW REQUIRING MANDATORY COMPLIANCE BY ALL CONTRACTORS

- 1.1 BUSINESS REGISTRATION All New Jersey and out of State Corporations must obtain a Business Registration Certificate (BRC) from the Department of the Treasury, Division of Revenue prior to conducting business in the State of New Jersey. Proof of valid business registration with the Division of Revenue, Department of the Treasury, State of New Jersey, should be submitted by the bidder and, if applicable, by every subcontractor of the bidder, with the bidder's bid. No contract will be awarded without proof of business registration with the Division of Revenue. Any questions in this regard can be directed to the Division of Revenue at (609) 292-1730. Form NJ-REG. can be filed online at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/gettingregistered.htm#busentity
- **1.2** ANTI-DISCRIMINATION All parties to any contract with the State of New Jersey agree not to discriminate in employment and agree to abide by all anti-discrimination laws including those contained within N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 through N.J.S.A. 10:2-4, N.J.S.A.I0:5-1 et seq. and N.J.S.A.I0:5-31 through 10:5-38, and all rules and regulations issued there under.
- 1.3 PREVAILING WAGE ACT The New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, N.J.S.A. 34: 11-56.26 et seq. is hereby made part of every contract entered into on behalf of the State of New Jersey through the Division of Purchase and Property, except those contracts which are not within the contemplation of the Act. The bidder's signature on this proposal is his guarantee that neither he nor any subcontractors he might employ to perform the work covered by this proposal has been suspended or debarred by the Commissioner, Department of Labor for violation of the provisions of the Prevailing Wage Act.
- **1.4** <u>AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT</u> The contractor must comply with all provisions of the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA), P.L 101-336, in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.
- **1.5** THE WORKER AND COMMUNITY RIGHT TO KNOW ACT The provisions of N.J.S.A. 34:5A-I et seq. which require the labeling of all containers of hazardous substances are applicable to this contract. Therefore, all goods offered for purchase to the State must be labeled by the contractor in compliance with the provisions of the Act.
- 1.6 <u>OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE</u> Contracts for any work, goods or services cannot be issued to any corporation or partnership unless prior to or at the time of bid submission the bidder has disclosed the names and addresses of all its owners holding 10% or more of the corporation or partnership's stock or interest. Refer to N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2.
- 1.7 <u>COMPLIANCE LAWS</u> The contractor must comply with all local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations applicable to this contract and to the goods delivered and/or services performed hereunder.
- 1.8 <u>COMPLIANCE STATE LAWS</u> It is agreed and understood that any contracts and/or orders placed as a result of this proposal shall be governed and construed and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be determined in accordance with the laws of the STATE OF NEW JERSEY.
- 1.9 <u>COMPLIANCE CODES</u> The contractor must comply with NJUCC and the latest NEC70, B.O.C.A. Basic Building code, OSHA and all applicable codes for this requirement. The contractor will be responsible for securing and paying all necessary permits, where applicable.

2. LIABILITIES

- 2.1 <u>LIABILITY COPYRIGHT</u> The contractor shall hold and save the State of New Jersey, its officers, agents, servants and employees, harmless from liability of any nature or kind for or on account of the use of any copyrighted or uncopyrighted composition, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, article or appliance furnished or used in the performance of his contract.
- 2.2 <u>INDEMNIFICATION</u> The contractor shall assume all risk of and responsibility for, and agrees to indemnify, defend, and save harmless the State of New Jersey and its employees from and against any and all claims, demands, suits, actions, recoveries, judgments and costs and expenses in connection therewith on account of the loss of life, property or injury or damage to the person, body or property of any person or persons whatsoever, which shall arise from or result directly or indirectly from the work and/or materials supplied under this contract. This indemnification obligation is not limited by, but is in addition to the insurance obligations contained in this agreement.
- 2.3 <u>INSURANCE</u> The contractor shall secure and maintain in force for the term of the contract liability insurance as provided herein. The contractor shall provide the State of New Jersey with current certificates of insurance for all coverages and renewals thereof which must contain the proviso that the insurance provided in the certificate shall not be canceled for any reason except after thirty days written notice to:

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The insurance to be provided by the contractor shall be as follows.

- a. General liability policy as broad as the standard coverage forms currently in use in the State of New Jersey which shall not be circumscribed by any endorsements limiting the breadth of coverage. The policy shall be endorsed to include:
 - 1. BROAD FORM COMPREHENSIVE GENERAL LIABILITY
 - 2. PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS
 - 3. PREMISES/OPERATIONS

The limits of liability for bodily injury and property damage shall not be less than \$1 million per occurrence as a combined single limit.

- b. Automobile liability insurance which shall be written to cover any automobile used by the insured. Limits of liability for bodily Injury and property damage shall not be less than \$1 million per occurrence as a combined single limit.
- c. Worker's Compensation Insurance applicable to the laws of the State of New Jersey and Employers Liability Insurance with limits not less than

\$100,000 BODILY INJURY, EACH OCCURRENCE \$100,000 DISEASE EACH EMPLOYEE \$500,000 DISEASE AGGREGATE LIMIT

3. TERMS GOVERNING ALL PROPOSALS TO NEW JERSEY PURCHASE BUREAU

- **3.1** CONTRACT AMOUNT The estimated amount of the contract(s), when stated on the Advertised Request for Proposal form, shall not be construed as either the maximum or minimum amount which the State shall be obliged to order as the result of this Request for Proposal or any contract entered into as a result of this Request for Proposal.
- **3.2** CONTRACT PERIOD AND EXTENSION OPTION If, in the opinion of the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property, it is in the best interest of the State to extend an contract entered into as a result of this Request for Proposal, the contractor will be so notified of the Director's Intent at least 30 days prior to the expiration date of the existing contract. The contractor shall have 15 calendar days to respond to the Director's request to extend the contract. If the contractor agrees to the extension, all terms and conditions of the original contract, including price, will be applicable.

3.3 BID AND PERFORMANCE SECURITY

- a. Bid Security If bid security is required, such security must be submitted with the bid in the amount listed in the Request for Proposal, see N.J.A.C. 17: 12- 2.4. Acceptable forms of bid security are as follows:
 - A properly executed individual or annual bid bond issued by an insurance or security company authorized to do
 business in the State of New Jersey, a certified or cashier's check drawn to the order of the Treasurer, State of New
 Jersey, or an irrevocable letter of credit drawn naming the Treasurer, State of New Jersey as beneficiary issued by a
 federally insured financial institution.
 - 2. The State will hold all bid security during the evaluation process. As soon as is practicable after the completion of the evaluation, the State will:

- a. Issue an award notice for those offers accepted by the State;
- b. Return all bond securities to those who have not been issued an award notice.

All bid security from contractors who have been issued an award notice shall be held until the successful execution of all required contractual documents and bonds (performance bond, insurance, etc. If the contractor fails to execute the required contractual documents and bonds within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of award notice, the contractor may be found in default and the contract terminated by the State. In case of default, the State reserves all rights inclusive of, but not limited to, the right to purchase material and/or to complete the required work in accordance with the New Jersey Administrative Code and to recover any actual excess costs from the contractor. Collection against the bid security shall be one of the measures available toward the recovery of any excess costs.

- b. Performance Security If performance security is required, the successful bidder shall furnish performance security in such amount on any award of a term contractor line item purchase, see N.J.A.C. 17: 12- 2.5. Acceptable forms of performance security are as follows:
 - 1. The contractor shall be required to furnish an irrevocable security in the amount listed in the Request for Proposal payable to the Treasurer, State of New Jersey, binding the contractor to provide faithful performance of the contract.
 - 2. The performance security shall be in the form of a properly executed individual or annual performance bond issued by an insurance or security company authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey, a certified or cashier's check drawn to the order of the Treasurer, State of New Jersey, or an irrevocable letter of credit drawn naming the Treasurer, State of New Jersey as beneficiary issued by a federally insured financial institution.

The Performance Security must be submitted to the State within 30 days of the effective date of the contract award and cover the period of the contract and any extensions thereof. Failure to submit performance security may result in cancellation of contract for cause pursuant to provision 3.5b,1, and nonpayment for work performed.

3.4 <u>VENDOR RIGHT TO PROTEST - INTENT TO AWARD</u> - Except in cases of emergency, bidders have the right to protest the Director's proposed award of the contract as announced in the Notice of Intent to Award, see N.J.A.C. 17:12-3.3. Unless otherwise stated, a bidder's protest must be submitted to the Director within 10 working days after receipt of written notification that his bid has not been accepted or that an award of contract has been made. In the public interest, the Director may shorten this protest period, but shall provide at least 48 hours for bidders to respond to a proposed award. In cases of emergency, stated in the record, the Director may waive the appeal period. See N.J.A.C. 17: 12- 3 et seq.

3.5 TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

a. Change of Circumstances

Where circumstances and/or the needs of the State significantly change, or the contract is otherwise deemed no longer to be in the public interest, the Director may terminate a contract entered into as a result of this Request for Proposal, upon no less than 30 days notice to the contractor with an opportunity to respond.

In the event of such termination, the contractor shall furnish to the using agency, free of charge, such reports as may be required,

b. For cause:

- Where a contractor fails to perform or comply with a contract, and/or fails to comply with the complaints procedure in N.J.A.C. 17: 12-4.2 et seq., the Director may terminate the contract upon 10 days notice to the contractor with an opportunity to respond.
- 2. Where a contractor continues to perform a contract poorly as demonstrated by formal complaints, late delivery, poor performance of service, short-shipping etc., so that the Director is repeatedly required to use the complaints procedure in N.J.A.C. 17:12-4.2 et seq. the Director may terminate the contract upon 10 days notice to the contractor with an opportunity to respond.
- In cases of emergency the Director may shorten the time periods of notification and may dispense with an opportunity to respond.
- d. In the event of termination under this section, the contractor will be compensated for work performed in accordance with the contract, up to the date of termination. Such compensation may be subject to adjustments.
- 3.6 <u>COMPLAINTS</u> Where a bidder has a history of performance problems as demonstrated by formal complaints and/or contract cancellations for cause pursuant to 3.5b a bidder may be bypassed for this award. See N.J.A.C. 17:12-2.8.

- 3.7 EXTENSION OF CONTRACT QUASI-STATE AGENCIES It is understood and agreed that in addition to State Agencies, Quasi-State Agencies may also participate in this contract. Quasi-State Agencies are defined in N.J.S.A. 52:27B-56.1 as any agency, commission, board, authority or other such governmental entity which is established and is allocated to a State department or any bi-state governmental entity of which the State of New Jersey is a member.
- 3.8 EXTENSION OF CONTRACTS TO POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND FIRST AID SQUADS, AND INDEPENDENT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION N.J.S.A. 52:25-16.1 permits counties, municipalities and school districts to participate in any term contract(s), that may be established as a result of this proposal.
 - N.J.S.A. 52:25-16.2 permits volunteer fire departments, volunteer first aid squads and rescue squads to participate in any term contract(s) that may be established as a result of this proposal.
 - N.J.S.A. 52:25-16.5 permits independent institutions of higher education to participate in any term contract(s) that may be established as a result of this proposal, provided that each purchase by the Independent Institution of higher education shall have a minimum cost of \$500.

In order for the State contract to be extended to counties, municipalities, school districts, volunteer fire departments, first aid squads and independent institutions of higher education the bidder must agree to the extension and so state in his bid. proposal. The extension to counties municipalities, school districts, volunteer fire departments, first aid squads and Independent Institutions of higher education must 'be under the same terms and conditions, including price, applicable to the State.

- 3.9 EXTENSIONS OF CONTRACTS TO COUNTY COLLEGES N.J.S.A. 18A:64A 25. 9 permits any college to participate in any term contract(s) that may be established as a result of this proposal.
- 3.10 EXTENSIONS OF CONTRACTS TO STATE COLLEGES N.J.S.A. 18A:64- 60 permits any State College to participate in any term contract(s) that may be established as a result of this proposal.
- 3.11 <u>SUBCONTRACTING OR ASSIGNMENT</u> The contract may not be subcontracted or assigned by the contractor, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property. Such consent, if granted, shall not relieve the contractor of any of his responsibilities under the contract.

In the event the bidder proposes to subcontract for the services to be performed under .the terms of the contract award, he shall state so in his bid and attach for approval a list of said subcontractors and an Itemization of the products and/or services to be supplied by them.

Nothing contained in the specifications shall be construed as creating any contractual relationship between any subcontractor and the State.

- **3.12** MERGERS, ACQUISITIONS If, subsequent to the award of any contract resulting from this Request for Proposal, the contractor shall merge with or be acquired by another firm, the following documents must be submitted to the Director, Division of Purchase & Property.
 - a. Corporate resolutions prepared by the awarded contractor and new entity ratifying acceptance of the original contract, terms, conditions and prices.
 - b. State of New Jersey Bidders Application reflecting all updated information including ownership disclosure, pursuant to provision 1.5.
 - c. Vendor Federal Employer Identification Number.

The documents must be submitted within thirty (30) days of completion of the merger or acquisition. Failure to do so may result in termination of contract pursuant to provision 3.5b.

If subsequent to the award of any contract resulting from this Request for Proposal, the contractor's partnership or corporation shall dissolve, the Director, Division of Purchase & Property must be so notified. All responsible parties of the dissolved partnership or corporation must submit to the Director in writing, the names of the parties proposed to perform the contract, and the names of the parties to whom payment should be made. No payment should be made until all parties to the dissolved partnership or corporation submit the required documents to the Director.

- 3.13 PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE OF BIDDER The bidder hereby certifies that:
 - a. The equipment offered is standard new equipment, and is the manufacturer's latest model in production, with parts regularly used for the type of equipment offered; that such parts are all in production and not likely to be discontinued; and that no attachment or part has been substituted or applied contrary to manufacturer's recommendations and standard practice.
 - b. All equipment supplied to the State and operated by electrical current is UL listed where applicable.

- c. All new machines are to be guaranteed as fully operational for the period stated in the Request For Proposal from time of written acceptance by the State. The bidder will render prompt service without charge, regardless of geographic location.
- d. Sufficient quantities of parts necessary for proper service to equipment will be maintained at distribution points and service headquarters.
- e. Trained mechanics are regularly employed to make necessary repairs to equipment in the territory from which the service request might emanate within a 48-hour period or within the time accepted as industry practice.
- f. During the warranty period the contractor shall replace immediately any material which is rejected for failure to meet the requirements of the contract.
- g. All services rendered to the State shall be performed in strict and full accordance with the specifications stated in the contract. The contract shall not be considered complete until final approval by the State's using agency is rendered.
- **3.14** <u>DELIVERY GUARANTEES</u> Deliveries shall be made at such time and in such quantities as ordered in strict accordance with conditions contained in the Request for Proposal.

The contractor shall be responsible for the delivery of material in first class condition to the State's using agency or the purchaser under this contract and in accordance with good commercial practice.

Items delivered must be strictly in accordance with the Request for Proposal.

In the event delivery of goods or services is not made within the number of days stipulated or under the schedule defined in the Request for Proposal, the using agency may be authorized to obtain the material or service from any available source, the difference in price, if any, to be paid by the contractor failing to meet his commitments.

- 3.15 <u>DIRECTOR'S RIGHT OF FINAL BID ACCEPTANCE</u> The Director reserves the right to reject any or all bids, or to award in whole or in part if deemed to be in the best interest of the State to do so. The Director shall have authority to award orders or contracts to the vendor or vendors best meeting all specifications and conditions in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:34-12. Tie bids will be awarded by the Director in accordance with N.J.A.C.17:12-2.1D.
- **3.16 BID ACCEPTANCES AND REJECTIONS** The provisions of N.J.A.C. 17:12-2.9, relating to the Director's right, to waive minor elements of non-compliance with bid specifications and N.J.A.C. 17: 12- 2.2 which defines causes for automatic bid rejection, apply to all proposals and bids.
- 3.17 <u>STATE'S RIGHT TO INSPECT BIDDER'S FACILITIES</u> The State reserves the right to inspect the bidder's establishment before making an award, for the purposes of ascertaining whether the bidder has the necessary facilities for performing the contract.

The State may also consult with clients of the bidder during the evaluation of bids. Such consultation is intended to assist the State in making a contract award which is most advantageous to the State.

- **3.18** STATE'S RIGHT TO REQUEST FURTHER INFORMATION The Director reserves the right to request all information which may assist him or her in making a contract award, including factors necessary to evaluate the, bidder s financial capabilities to perform the contract. Further, the Director reserves the right to request a bidder to explain, in detail, how the bid price was determined.
- 3.19 MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS The contractor shall maintain records for products and/or services delivered against the contract for a period of three (3) years from the date of final payment. Such records shall be made available to the, State upon request for purposes of conducting an audit or for ascertaining information regarding dollar volume or number of transactions.

4. TERMS RELATING TO PRICE QUOTATION

4.1 PRICE FLUCTUATION DURING CONTRACT - Unless otherwise noted by the State, all prices quoted shall be firm through issuance of contract or purchase order and shall not be subject to increase during the period of the contract.

In the event of a manufacturer's or contractor's price decrease during the contract period, the State shall receive the full benefit of such price reduction on any undelivered purchase order and on any subsequent order placed during the contract period. The Director of Purchase and Property must be notified, in writing, of any price reduction within five (5) days of the effective date.

Failure to report price reductions will result in cancellation of contract for cause, pursuant to provision 3.5b.1.

- **4.2 DELIVERY COSTS** Unless otherwise noted in the Request for Proposal, all prices for items in bid proposals are to be submitted F.O.B. Destination. Proposals submitted other than F.O.B. Destination may not be considered. Regardless of the method of quoting shipments, the contractor shall assume all costs, liability and responsibility for the delivery of merchandise in good condition to the State's using agency or designated purchaser.
 - F.O.B. Destination does not cover "spotting" but does include delivery on the receiving platform of the ordering agency at any destination in the State of New Jersey unless otherwise specified. No additional charges will be allowed for any additional transportation costs resulting from partial shipments made at contractor's convenience when a single shipment is ordered. The weights and measures of the State's using agency receiving the shipment shall govern.
- 4.3 C.O.D. TERMS C.O.D. terms are not acceptable as part of a bid proposal and will be cause for rejection of a bid.
- **4.4** TAX CHARGES The State of New Jersey is exempt from State sales or use taxes and Federal excise taxes. Therefore, price quotations must not include such taxes. The State's Federal Excise Tax Exemption number is 22-75-0050K.
- **PAYMENT TO VENDORS** Payment for goods and/or services purchased by the State will only be made against State Payment Vouchers. The State bill form in duplicate together with the original Bill of Lading, express receipt and other related papers must be sent to the consignee on the date of each delivery. Responsibility for payment rests with the using agency which will ascertain that the contractor has performed in a proper and satisfactory manner in accordance with the terms and conditions of the award. Payment will not be made until the using agency has approved payment.

For every contract the term of which spans more than one fiscal year, the State's obligation to make payment beyond the current fiscal year is contingent upon legislative appropriation and availability of funds.

The State of New Jersey now offers State contractors the opportunity to be paid through the MasterCard procurement card (p-card). A contractor's acceptance and a State Agency's use of the p-card, however, is optional. P-card transactions do not require the submission of either a contractor invoice or a State payment voucher. Purchasing transactions utilizing the p-card will usually result in payment to a contractor in three days. A Contractor should take note that there will be a transaction processing fee for each p-card transaction. To participate, a contractor must be capable of accepting MasterCard. For more information, call your bank or any merchant services company.

4.6 NEW JERSEY PROMPT PAYMENT ACT - The New Jersey Prompt Payment Act N.J.S.A. 52:32-32 et seq. requires state agencies to pay for goods and services within sixty (60) days of the agency's receipt of a properly executed State Payment Voucher or within sixty (60) days of receipt and acceptance of goods and services, whichever is later. Properly executed performance security, when required, must be received by the state prior to processing any payments for goods and services accepted by state agencies. Interest will be paid on delinquent accounts at a rate established by the State Treasurer. Interest will not be paid until it exceeds \$5.00 per properly executed invoice.

Cash discounts and other payment terms included as part of the original agreement are not affected by the Prompt Payment Act.

- **4.7 RECIPROCITY** In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:32-1.4 and N.J.A.C. 17: 12- 2. 13, the State of New Jersey will invoke reciprocal action against an out-of-State bidder whose state or locality maintains a preference practice for their bidders.
- 5. <u>CASH DISCOUNTS</u> Bidders are encouraged to offer cash discounts based on expedited payment by the State. The State will make efforts to take advantage of discounts, but discounts will not be considered in determining the lowest bid.
 - a. Discount periods shall be calculated starting from the next business day after the recipient has accepted the goods or services received a properly signed and executed State Payment Voucher form and, when required, a properly executed performance security, whichever is latest.
 - b. The date on the check issued by the State in payment of that Voucher shall be deemed the date of the State's response to that Voucher.
- 6. STANDARDS PROHIBITING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST The following prohibitions on vendor activities shall apply to all contracts or purchase agreements made with the State of New Jersey, pursuant to Executive Order No. 189 (1988).
 - a. No vendor shall pay, offer to pay, or agree to pay, either directly or indirectly, any fee, commission, compensation, gift, gratuity, or other thing of value of any kind to any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee, as defined by N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13b and e., in the Department of the Treasury or any other agency with which such vendor transacts or offers or proposes to transact business, or to any member of the immediate family, as defined by N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13i., of any such officer or employee, or partnership, firm or corporation with which they are employed or associated, or in which such officer or employee has an interest within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 52: 13D-13g.
 - b. The solicitation of any fee, commission, compensation, gift, gratuity or other thing of value by any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee from any State vendor shall be reported in writing forthwith by the vendor to the Attorney General and the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards.

- c. No vendor may, directly or indirectly, undertake any private business, commercial or entrepreneurial relationship with, whether or not pursuant to employment, contract or other agreement, express or implied, or sell any interest in such vendor to, any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee having any duties or responsibilities in connection with the purchase, acquisition or sale of any property or services by or to any State agency or any instrumentality thereof, or with any person, firm or entity with which he is employed or associated or in which he has an interest within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 52: 130-13g. Any relationships subject to this provision shall be reported in writing forthwith to the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards, which may grant a waiver of this restriction upon application of the State officer or employee or special State officer or employee upon a finding that the present or proposed relationship does not present the potential, actuality or appearance of a conflict of interest.
- d. No vendor shall influence, or attempt to influence or cause to be influenced, any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee in his official capacity in any manner which might tend to impair the objectivity or independence of judgment of said officer or employee.
- e. No vendor shall cause or influence, or attempt to cause or influence, any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee to use, or attempt to use, his official position to secure unwarranted privileges or advantages for the vendor or any other person.
- f. The provisions cited above in paragraph 6a through 6e shall not be construed to prohibit a State officer or employee or Special State officer or employee from receiving gifts from or contracting with vendors under the same terms and conditions as are offered or made available to members of the general public subject to any guidelines the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards may promulgate under paragraph 6c.

APPENDIX 2 - SET-OFF FOR STATE TAX NOTICE

NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS SET-OFF FOR STATE TAX NOTICE

Please be advised that, pursuant to <u>P.L.</u> 1995, <u>c.</u> 159, effective January 1, 1996, and notwithstanding any provision of the law to the contrary, whenever any taxpayer, partnership or S corporation under contract to provide goods or services or construction projects to the State of New Jersey or its agencies or instrumentalities, including the legislative and judicial branches of State government, is entitled to payment for those goods or services at the same time a taxpayer, partner or shareholder of that entity is indebted for any State tax, the Director of the Division of Taxation shall seek to set off that taxpayer's or shareholder's share of the payment due the taxpayer, partnership, or S corporation. The amount set off shall not allow for the deduction of any expenses or other deductions which might be attributable to the taxpayer, partner or shareholder subject to set-off under this act.

The Director of the Division of Taxation shall give notice to the set-off to the taxpayer and provide an opportunity for a hearing within 30 days of such notice under the procedures for protests established under R.S. 54:49-18. No requests for conference, protest, or subsequent appeal to the Tax Court from any protest under this section shall stay the collection of the indebtedness. Interest that may be payable by the State, pursuant to <u>P.L.</u> 1987, <u>c.</u>184 (c.52:32-32 <u>et seq.</u>), to the taxpayer shall be stayed.

TERM CONTRACT - ADVERTISED BID PROPOSAL PRICE SHEET 05-X-36920 DEPT OF TREASURY NUMBER : 07/21/04 OPEN DATE : T0075 T-NUMBER : PURCHASE BUREAU STATE OF NEW JERSEY 2 PM TIME : 33 WEST STATE ST 8TH FL PO BOX 230 **TRENTON** NJ 08625-023 BIDDER UNIT PRICE DO NOT USE LINE QUANTITY LINIT COMMODITY-SERVICE DESCRIPTION NO. COMMODITY CODE: 340-28-010886 EACH EXTINGUISHER, FIRE, AIR PRESSURIZED WATER TYPE, 2 1/2 GALLON WITH HANGING BRACKET MODEL #___ WARRANTY:___ COMMODITY CODE: 340-28-010887 EACH 00002 1 EXTINGUISHER, FIRE, AIR PRESSURIZED WATER TYPE, 2 1/2 GALLON WITH VEHICLE BRACKET MFG NAME MODEL #___ WARRANTY:_ EACH 00003 COMMODITY CODE: 340-28-010888 1 EXTINGUISHER FIRE, CARBON DIOXIDE 5 LB WITH HANGING BRACKET MODEL #___ WARRANTY:_ -----COMMODITY CODE: 340-28-010889 EXTINGUISHER, FIRE, CARBON DIOXIDE FACH 00004 1 WITH VEHICLE BRACKET MFG NAME_ MODEL #___ WARRANTY:_ _____ 00005 COMMODITY CODE: 340-28-010890 EACH EXTINGUISHER, FIRE, CARBON DIOXIDE WITH HANGING BRACKET MFG NAME_ MODEL #___ WARRANTY:_ COMMODITY CODE: 340-28-010891 EACH 00006 EXTINGUISHER, FIRE, CARBON DIOXIDE WITH VEHICLE BRACKET MODEL #___ WARRANTY:___ COMMODITY CODE: 340-28-010892 EXTINGUISHER, FIRE, CARBON DIOXIDE EACH 00007 WITH HANGING BRACKET MFG NAME___ MODEL #___

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