



BRCPC

Baltimore Regional Cooperative Purchasing Committee

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REQUEST FOR BID NO. B-500 AUTOMATIC FIRE SPRINKLER SERVICES

Due Date: 03/05/12, Time: 2:15 PM

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

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Purchasing Division

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Amendments to solicitations often occur prior to bid opening and sometimes within as little as 48 hours prior to bid opening. It is the potential vendor's responsibility to frequently visit the Purchasing web site to obtain amendments once they have downloaded a solicitation.

All original and duplicate bids and other attachments, related documents and correspondence, shall be typed or written in English. All prices/percentages and/or other monetary figures shall be in United States dollars.

BIDDER CHECKLIST

- ☐ Have you signed your bid?
- ☐ Have you signed the Procurement Affidavit?
- ☐ Have you filled out all applicable forms?
- ☐ Have you returned the original? (and required duplicate copies when required?)
- ☐ Have you signed and returned amendments?
- ☐ Have you included the bid bond, if required?

**BALTIMORE REGIONAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING COMMITTEE
REQUEST FOR BID NO. B-500
AUTOMATIC FIRE SPRINKLER SERVICES**

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BALTIMORE REGIONAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING COMMITTEE (BRCPC)

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR SOLICITATIONS

1. INSTRUCTIONS, FORMS AND SPECIFICATIONS

- 1.1 All bids are to be submitted on and in accordance with forms required by the lead jurisdiction, which are available at the office of the Purchasing Agent.
- 1.2 All bids must be clearly identified with the solicitation number, title of the solicitation and the due date and time.
- 1.3 Each bid shall be accompanied by an affidavit regarding price fixing, gratuities, bribery, and discriminatory employment practices. If the bidder is a business entity, a duly and legally authorized representative of the business entity shall execute the affidavit. The Purchasing Agent will provide the affidavit to bidders.
- 1.4 Bids must be typed or written and signed in ink, unless the solicitation is bid electronically, in which case an electronic signature is acceptable. Erasures or alterations must be initialed in ink, unless the solicitation is bid electronically, in which case electronic initials are acceptable. A duly and legally authorized representative of the business entity shall sign all bids in ink (or in the case of electronic solicitation, digitally). All bids shall be delivered sealed to the Purchasing Agent, no later than the time and date indicated herein. Bids received after the time or date indicated will not be considered.
- 1.5 Additional information or clarifications of any of the instructions or information contained herein may be obtained from the Purchasing Agent.
- 1.6 Any bidder who finds a discrepancy in or omission from the specifications, or who is in doubt as to their meaning or feels that the specifications are discriminatory, shall notify the Purchasing Agent in writing not less than 10 calendar days before the scheduled opening of bids. Discrepancies or exceptions taken do not obligate the Purchasing Agent to change or supplement the specifications. The Purchasing Agent will notify all bidders in writing, by addendum duly issued, of any interpretations of specifications or instructions that are made.
- 1.7 Unless a written discrepancy, change, supplement, or exception to the specifications is noted on the bid detailing nonconformance, any part number, or product number, etc. noted on the bid will be considered in full compliance with the specifications. Submission of a bid in response to this solicitation evidences the bidder's acceptance of the terms and conditions herein.
- 1.8 All official correspondence in regard to the specifications shall be directed to and/or will be issued in writing by the Purchasing Agent. Oral instructions or suggestions are not binding upon the Purchasing Agent or BRCPC.
- 1.9 The Purchasing Agent will notify bidders of any changes, additions or deletions to the specifications by written addenda posted on the lead agency's web site at www._____. Addenda to solicitations are sometimes issued within as little as 48 hours prior to bid opening. It is each potential bidder's sole responsibility to frequently visit the web site to obtain all addenda.

2. BID DEPOSIT

- 2.1 A bid deposit may be required when indicated in the solicitation. Failure to submit the bid deposit with the bid, when required, will nullify the bid.
- 2.2 When required in the solicitation, a certified check, treasurer's check, U.S. Postal Money Order, or a bid bond must accompany each bid.
- 2.3 Bid deposits will be returned to each unsuccessful bidder upon the award of the solicitation, and to successful bidders upon its execution of the contracts with each participation jurisdiction and the meeting of bond requirements, if applicable.
- 2.4 Nonperformance by a successful bidder, failure to execute a contract with each participation jurisdiction, or failure to meet bond requirements within the time frame specified in the solicitation or award notification may result in the bid bond being forfeited as liquidated damages.

3. BASIS FOR AWARD OF CONTRACT

- 3.1 The Purchasing Agent shall award all contracts to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder(s) for competitive sealed bids and based on best value for competitive negotiations as determined in the sole discretion of the Purchasing Agent. Each participating jurisdiction will execute its own contract and issue its own purchase order for their contract. Each participating jurisdiction is responsible for determining that the method of solicitation complies with its procurement laws.
- 3.2 Any other consideration for the award will be stated in the solicitation.
- 3.3 Unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Purchasing Agent and the bidder(s) specified, all bids submitted shall be irrevocable for 120 calendar days following bid opening date, unless the bidder(s), upon request of the Purchasing Agent, agree to an extension. No bidder may withdraw its bid during that period.
- 3.4 When there is a conflict between the unit price or percentage and the extension, the unit price or percentage will prevail as the amount of the bid.
- 3.5 Bids shall be exclusive of all non-applicable Federal and Maryland state taxes. Tax exemption certificates will be furnished if required.
- 3.6 Each participating jurisdiction reserves the right to make payments via electronic funds transfers (EFT) or procurement cards for purchases for which those payment methods may be appropriate.

4. CASH DISCOUNT AND NET PAYMENTS

- 4.1 Cash discounts based on time of payment will not be considered in determining an award, but will be taken by each participating jurisdiction, if applicable, at time of payment.
- 4.2 Bids requiring payment within less than 30 days from the date of invoice will be rejected.

5. PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS

- 5.1 The successful bidder may be required to give security or bond for the performance of each participating jurisdiction's contract as determined by the Purchasing Agent.

- 5.2 When bonds are required, a surety licensed to do business in the State of Maryland must issue the bonds for each participating jurisdiction.

6. RESERVATIONS

- 6.1 The Purchasing Agent reserves the right to reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, when in his/her reasoned and sole judgment, the public or BRCPC's interest will be served thereby.
- 6.2 The Purchasing Agent may waive formalities or technicalities in bids as the interest of the public or BRCPC and its participating jurisdictions may require, providing these differences do not violate the intent of the specifications, materially affect the operation for which the items are being purchased, or increase the price or estimated maintenance and repair cost.
- 6.3 Unless otherwise provided herein, each participating jurisdiction reserves the right to increase or decrease the quantities to be purchased at the prices bid. The quantity intended to be purchased and the period and/or percentage amount of any such reservation shall be stated in the solicitation and/or in any applicable participating jurisdiction's contract.
- 6.4 Unless otherwise provided herein, the Purchasing Agent reserves the right to make award(s) on a lump sum basis, individual item basis, or such combination as shall be in the best interest of the public and/or BRCPC.
- 6.5 Unless otherwise provided herein, the Purchasing Agent reserves the right to order goods or services from other sources without prejudice to the contract.

7. DELIVERIES

- 7.1 Bidders shall guarantee delivery in accordance with any delivery schedule as may be provided in the solicitation and/or in each participating jurisdiction's contract.
- 7.2 All deliveries shall be F.O.B. Destination and delivery costs and charges shall be included in the bid price.
- 7.3 Each participating jurisdiction reserves the right to levy a per diem charge to the successful bidder for each day the goods or services are not delivered in accordance with the delivery schedule. The per diem charge, identified in the solicitation and/or in each participating jurisdiction's contract, may be invoked at the discretion of the participating jurisdiction and said sum may be taken as liquidated damages and deducted from any compensation due to the successful bidder. Invoking the per diem charge as liquidated damages is not a waiver of the right to any other remedies or damages.
- 7.4 When practical, the successful bidder must package and ship all products in packaging and containers made of recycled, recyclable or biodegradable materials. Bidders are encouraged to eliminate packaging, or to use the minimum amount necessary for product protection, in order to minimize waste to the greatest extent practicable.

8. COMPETITION

- 8.1 The name of any manufacturer, trade name of manufacturer, or vendor catalog number mentioned in the specifications is for the purpose of designating a standard of quantity and type and for no other reason. Minimum specifications where included, are not established arbitrarily to limit competition or to exclude otherwise competitive bidders.
- 8.2 A bidder shall offer a price on only one unit. Even though two or more units may meet specifications, Bidders must determine which to offer. Submission by a bidder for more than

one unit shall be sufficient cause for rejection of that specific item in the Purchasing Agent's sole discretion.

- 8.3 Bids that show any omission, irregularity, alteration of forms, additions not called for, conditional or unconditional unresponsive bids, or bids obviously unbalanced may be rejected in the Purchasing Agent's sole discretion.
- 8.4 All bids must be accompanied by such descriptive literature as may be called for by the solicitation.
- 8.5 If goods to be provided or goods to be used by a successful bidder when providing a service contain any ingredients that could be hazardous or injurious to a person's health, a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) must be provided to the Purchasing Agent. This applies also to any goods used by the Successful Bidder when providing a service to the BRCP.

9. HOLD HARMLESS/INDEMNIFICATION

The successful bidder shall indemnify, defend, and save harmless each of the participating jurisdictions and their respective employees, agents and officials against or from all costs, fees (including reasonable attorneys' fees), liabilities expenses, damages, injury, and loss including (but not limited to) attorney's fees, which may be incurred or made against any of the participating jurisdictions, their respective employees, agents or officials, and resulting from any act or omission committed in the performance of the duties and obligations of the successful bidder under this solicitation and/or each participating jurisdiction's resulting contract or anyone under contract with the successful bidder to perform duties or obligations thereunder. The successful bidder shall allow each participating jurisdiction to participate in the defense of the participating jurisdiction, its employees, agents and officials, to the extent and as may be required by the participating jurisdiction, and the successful bidder shall cooperate with the applicable participating jurisdiction in all aspects in connection therewith.

10. INSURANCE

- 10.1 The successful bidder shall, at all times during the term of each participating jurisdiction's contract, maintain and keep in force such insurance as Workmen's Compensation, Liability, and Property Damage as will protect the successful bidder from claims under Workmen's Compensation Acts and also such insurance as will protect the successful bidder and the participating jurisdictions from any other claims for damages for person injury, including death, as well as from claims for damages to any property of each participating jurisdiction or of the public, which may arise from operations under this solicitation and each participating jurisdictions' contract, whether such operations are by the successful bidder or any subcontractor or any agent directly or indirectly employed by any of them.
- 10.2 Refer to the specifications for detailed insurance requirements. [Or insert the lead jurisdiction's requirements here]

11. DISPUTES

Prior to award, in case of disputes, the decision of the Purchasing Agent shall be final and binding. The Purchasing Agent may request, in writing, the recommendation of participating jurisdictions or other objective source. Subsequent to award of the solicitation, in case of disputes as to whether an item or service quoted or delivered meets specifications, the decision of the applicable participating jurisdiction shall be final and binding with respect to the participating jurisdiction's contract.

12. TERMINATION

- 12.1 Termination for Convenience: Any participating jurisdiction may terminate its contract, in whole or in part, upon giving at least thirty (30) days written notice to the successful bidder. The participating jurisdiction shall pay all reasonable costs incurred by the successful bidder up to the date of termination in connection with that participating jurisdiction's contract only. The successful bidder will not be reimbursed for any anticipatory profits, which have not been earned up to the date of termination by any participating jurisdiction or BRCPC. The BRCPC will be promptly notified in writing of any termination hereunder by the applicable participating jurisdiction.
- 12.2 Termination for Default: When the successful bidder has not performed or has unsatisfactorily performed under the contract of any participating jurisdiction, the participating jurisdiction may terminate its contract for default and the successful bidder is entitled to any reasonable costs incurred by the successful bidder up to the date of termination. The successful bidder will not be reimbursed for any anticipatory profits that have not been earned up to the date of termination. The BRCPC will be promptly notified in writing of this termination by the applicable participating jurisdiction.

13. PATENT INFRINGEMENT

The successful bidder agrees to indemnify, protect, defend and save harmless each participating jurisdiction, its officers, agents, and employees with respect to any claim, action, cost (including, but not limited to, attorney's fees), or judgment for patent, copyright, or trademark infringement, or any other claim related to intellectual property or proprietary information arising out of purchase or use of goods or services or from any of the successful bidder's duties or obligations covered by the solicitation or any participating jurisdiction's contract. The successful bidder shall allow each participating jurisdiction to participate in the defense of the participating jurisdiction, its employees, agents and officials, to the extent and as may be required by the participating jurisdiction, and the successful bidder shall cooperate with the applicable participating jurisdiction in all aspects in connection therewith.

14. NON-ASSIGNMENT

A participating jurisdiction's contract resulting from this solicitation and the compensation, which may become due thereunder, are not assignable except with prior written approval of the applicable participating jurisdiction.

15. FACILITIES

The BRCPC and each participating jurisdiction reserves the right to inspect the bidder's facilities at no cost to the BRCPC or any participating jurisdiction at any time with prior notice.

16. AUTHORITY

Instructions, specifications, and proposals are issued, and all bids, quotations, orders, and purchases are made pursuant and subject to the enabling respective legislation of each of the participating jurisdictions. The successful bidder shall ensure compliance with the ethics provisions of the participating jurisdictions.

17. FAILURE TO RESPOND

Bidders who fail to respond three (3) times in succession to solicitations without adequate justification may be removed from the bidder's list.

18. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

BRPCPC has no obligation (contractual, financial or otherwise) hereunder or for any participating jurisdiction's contract. The contractual obligation of each participating jurisdiction under its respective contract is contingent upon appropriation of funds by the governing body of the applicable jurisdiction from which payment shall be made.

19. GOVERNING LAW

19.1 This solicitation shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Maryland without regard to any choice of law principles that would dictate the laws of any other jurisdiction. The exclusive venue for any and all actions related to this solicitation hereto shall be the appropriate Federal or State court located within the State of Maryland.

19.2 The laws of Maryland shall govern the resolution of any issue arising in connection with each participating jurisdiction's contract, including, but not limited to, all questions on the validity of each such contract, the capacity of the parties to enter therein, any modification or amendment thereto, and the rights and obligations of the parties thereunder.

19.3 All bidders must be registered to do business in the State of Maryland in accordance with the Annotated Code of Maryland Corporations and Associations Sec. 2-102 Formation generally, Sec. 7-202 Registration to do interstate and foreign* business, and/or Sec. 7-203 Qualification to do intrastate. For information on registering or qualifying a corporation, LLC, LLP or LP call the Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation (SDAT) at (410) 767-1340. Sole Proprietors and General Partnerships may call (410) 767-4991 or you may download the SDAT forms at: www.dat.state.md.us/sdatweb/sdatforms.html - entity or by calling at (410) 767-1340 or Toll Free (888) 246-5941. The successful bidder will be required to submit a Good Standing Certificate (also known as "Certificate of Status") issued by SDAT.

*"a corporation, association, or joint-stock company organized under the laws of the United States, another state of the United States, a territory, possession, or district of the United States, or a foreign country." Sec. 1-101 Annotated Code of Maryland Corporations and Associations.

20. NON-WAIVER

Any waiver of any breach of covenants herein contained to be kept and performed by the successful bidder shall not be deemed or considered as a continuing waiver and shall not operate to bar or prevent any participating jurisdiction from declaring a breach or default for any succeeding breach either of the same condition of covenant or otherwise. No failure or delay by any participating jurisdiction to insist upon the strict performance of any term, condition or covenant of its contract agreement, or to exercise any right, power, or remedy consequent upon a breach thereof, shall constitute a waiver of any such term, condition, or covenant or of any such breach, or preclude the participating jurisdiction from exercising any such right, power, or remedy at any later time or times.

21. INTEGRATION

This solicitation, bid response, and each subsequent participating jurisdiction's contract with the successful bidder contain the entire understanding between the successful bidder and each applicable participating jurisdiction. Each participating jurisdiction's contract shall only be amended if such amendment is in writing and executed by a legally authorized representative of the successful bidder

and the applicable participating jurisdiction. Any contract amendment of one participating jurisdiction shall not impact or affect any other participating jurisdiction's contract or BRCPC.

22. SOCIO-ECONOMIC PROGRAMS

The participating jurisdictions have various socio-economic programs, which, if applicable, are detailed in the solicitation. Although there is no requirement that the bidder be a minority-owned, women-owned, disabled-owned business or small business, all under utilized businesses are encouraged to respond to this solicitation.

23. USE OF ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT LABOR

The use of illegal immigrant labor is in violation of the law and is strictly prohibited. Contractors and subcontractors must verify employment eligibility of workers in order to assure that they are not violating Federal/State/Local laws regarding illegal immigration.

24. PUBLIC INFORMATION

The participating jurisdictions operate under a public information law – Maryland Access to Public Records Act, State Government Article, Sections 10-611 through 10-628, of the Annotated Code of Maryland. Bids/proposals will be available for public inspection except to the extent that a bidder designates trade secrets or other proprietary data to be confidential. A bidder's designation of material as confidential will not necessarily be conclusive, and may be required to provide justification as to why such material should not be disclosed upon request.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO
STATE OF MARYLAND, BOARDS OF EDUCATION

1. TOBACCO PRODUCTS

The use of tobacco products is not permitted on school property. Referencing Code of Maryland Regulations 13A.02.04, the use of tobacco products is not permitted in or on property owned by the Board of Education or the political subdivisions.

2. CHILD SEX OFFENDER NOTIFICATION

2.1 Maryland law requires certain child sex offenders to register with the local law enforcement agency. One of the purposes of this law, found in Article 27§ 792, is to inform school systems when a child sex offender is residing or working in the area. When the child sex offender registers, the local police are required to notify the Superintendent of Schools, and the Superintendent, in turn, is required to send a notice to school principals.

2.2 As a successful bidder and/or its agents working for the political subdivisions, shall not employ convicted child sex offenders to work on projects for public schools if they, as a result, are required to perform delivery, installation, repair, construction or any other kind of services on political subdivision property. Further, Maryland Law effective June 22, 2006, requires that any person who enters a contract with a county board of education or a non-public school "may not knowingly employ an individual to work at a school" if the individual is a registered sex offender. A successful bidder and/or its agents who violate this requirement is guilty of a misdemeanor and if convicted may be subject to up to five years imprisonment and/or a \$5,000 fine.

2.3 A successful bidder shall screen their work-forces to ensure that a registered sex offender does not perform work at a school and also ensure that a subcontractor, independent contractor, successful bidder and/or any agents conducts screening of its personnel who may work at a school. The term "work force" is intended to refer to all of the successful bidder's direct employees, subcontractors, agents, and/or independent contractors it used to perform the work. Violations of this provision may cause a participation jurisdiction to take action against the successful bidder up to and including termination of the contract.

2.4 To assist you in identifying convicted child sex offenders, the schools have the list of convicted child sex offenders, which successful bidders may view. The schools maintain the list and update the list as new offenders are identified, however, it is solely the responsibility of the successful bidder to comply with this provision.

Additional General Instructions for Solicitations

1. Instructions, Forms and Specifications

1.1 Bid times are either Eastern Standard Time or Eastern Daylight Time, whichever prevails. Late bids will not be considered.

1.2 Submission of a bid evidences bidder's representation and warranty that the person submitting the bid response is authorized to act for and bind the contractor.

1.3 All original and duplicate bids/proposals and other attachments, related documents and correspondence, including all follow-up documents and correspondence, shall be typed or written in English. All prices/percentages and/or other monetary figures shall be in United States dollars.

1.4 Requests for Bids and Requests for Proposals shall be accompanied by an electronic version (CD) of the bid proposal PDF format. The CD must be labeled with the bid number, the bid title, and the bidder's name submitting the response. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope or carton as appropriate. This does not apply to Requests for Quotation.

1.5 Issuing Officer: The sole point of contact for the County for purposes of this solicitation is the Buyer, listed on the cover page; questions regarding any aspect of the competitive process must be directed to the Buyer, in writing.

2. Award of Solicitations

2.1 Invoices against resulting order(s) must be submitted, in duplicate, to the Office of Budget and Finance, Disbursements Section, 400 Washington Avenue, Room 148, Towson, Maryland 21204-4665. Invoices must show the vendor's Federal Tax Identification Number or Social Security Number, as appropriate, and order number and line number(s) that correspond with resulting order(s).

2.2 The County will not pay interest charges or other penalties for invoice payments.

3. Reservations

3.1 At any time during normal business hours and as often as the County may deem necessary, the Contractor shall make available to and permit inspection and photocopying, by the County, its employees or agents, of all records, information and

documentation of the Contractor related to the subject matter of this contract, including, but not limited to, all contracts, invoices, payroll, and financial audits.

3.2 Notwithstanding any other terms or provisions of the contract, in the event the County is temporarily or permanently prevented, restricted or delayed in the performance of any or all of the duties and obligations imposed upon or assumed by it thereunder, by act of the General Assembly of Maryland or the Baltimore County Council, by a court of competent jurisdiction or by administrative delay not due to the fault of the County (and its members and agents) shall not be liable directly or indirectly for any claims caused to or suffered by the Contractor or any other person in connection with or as a result of such prevention, restriction or delay.

3.3 The County further reserves the right to make such investigation as it deems necessary to determine the ability of bidders to furnish the required services, and bidders shall furnish all such information for this purpose as the County may request. The County also reserves the right to reject the proposal of any bidder who is not currently in a position to perform the contract, or who has previously failed to perform similar contracts properly, or in a manner acceptable to the County, all of which shall be in the County's sole discretion.

4. Competition

4.1 Specifications are based on County needs and uses, estimated costs of operations and maintenance, and other significant and/or limiting factors to meet County requirements, and to ensure consistency with County policies. Minimum specifications, and maximum specifications where included, are not established arbitrarily to limit competition or to exclude otherwise competitive bidders.

4.2 Unless multiple or alternate bids are requested in the solicitation, these bids may not be accepted. However, if a bidder clearly indicates a base bid, it shall be considered for award as though it were the only bid submitted by the bidder.

6. Minority/Women's Business Enterprise (MBE/WBE) and Small Business Notice: Baltimore County is seeking Minority, Woman and Small Businesses to bid on current solicitations as a prime or sub contractor. In accordance with the Executive Order dated June 4, 2009, "an overall goal of 15% of the cumulative total of all discretionary dollars spent

in a fiscal year of County procurements is to be awarded to and/or performed by MBE and WBE firms.” MBE/WBE’s and Small Businesses are encouraged to respond to this solicitation.

7. Authority

7.1 In case of disputes as to whether an item or service quoted or delivered meets specifications, the decision of the Purchasing Agent or authorized representative shall be final and binding on both parties. The Purchasing Agent may request the recommendation in writing of the head of the using agency, the Standards and Specifications Committee, or other objective sources.

7.2 Bidders desiring to appeal a decision of the Purchasing Division must deliver written protests to the Purchasing Division within 10 days of notification of award. The Purchasing Agent or designee will review the protested decision, examine any additional information provided by the bidder and respond in writing within 10 working days of receipt of written protests.

7.3 Instructions, Specifications, and Proposals are issued, and all bids, quotations, orders, and purchases are made pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Baltimore County Charter, and Article 10, Title 2 of the Baltimore County Code, 2003, as amended, and regulations and policies established or prescribed by the Purchasing Division.

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**BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
PROCUREMENT AFFIDAVIT**

A. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

I HEREBY AFFIRM THAT:

I am the [title]_____ and I am duly authorized to represent and bind [business] _____ (the "Business") and that I possess the legal authority to make this Affidavit on behalf of myself and the Business for which I am acting.

B. AFFIRMATION REGARDING BRIBERY CONVICTIONS

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

Neither I, nor to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, the Business, nor any of its officers, directors, partners, members, affiliates, or any of its employees directly involved in obtaining or performing contracts with public bodies (as is defined in Section 16-101(f) of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland), has been convicted of, or has had probation before judgment imposed pursuant to Article 27, Section 6-225 of the Criminal Procedure Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, or has pleaded nolo contendere to a charge of, bribery, attempted bribery, or conspiracy to bribe in violation of Maryland law, or of the law of any other state or federal law, except as follows [indicate the reasons why the affirmation cannot be given and list any conviction, plea, or imposition of probation before judgment with the date, court, official or administrative body, the sentence or disposition, the name(s) of person(s) involved, and their current positions and responsibilities with the Business]:

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C. AFFIRMATION REGARDING OTHER CONVICTIONS

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

Neither I, nor to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, the Business, nor any of its officers, directors, partners, members, affiliates, or any of its employees directly involved in obtaining or performing contracts with public bodies, has:

(1) Been convicted under state or federal statute of a criminal offense incident to obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public or private contract, fraud, embezzlement, theft, forgery, falsification or destruction of records, or receiving stolen property;

(2) Been convicted of any criminal violation of a state or federal antitrust statute;

(3) Been convicted under the provisions of Title 18 of the United States Code for violation of the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act, 18 U.S.C. §1961, et seq., or the Mail Fraud Act, 18 U.S.C. §1341, et seq., for acts arising out of the submission of bids or proposals for a public or private contract;

(4) Been convicted of a violation of the State Minority Business Enterprise Law, Section 14-308 of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland;

(5) Been convicted of conspiracy to commit any act or omission that would constitute grounds for conviction or liability under any law or statute described in subsection (1), (2), (3), or (4) above;

(6) Been found civilly liable under a state or federal antitrust statute for acts or omissions in connection with the submission of bids or proposals for a public or private contract;

(7) Admitted in writing or under oath, during the course of an official investigation or other proceedings, acts or omissions that would constitute grounds for conviction or liability under any law or statute described above, except as follows [indicate reasons why the affirmations cannot be given, and list any conviction, plea, or imposition

of probation before judgment with the date, court, official or administrative body, the sentence or disposition, the name(s) of the person(s) involved and their current positions and responsibilities with the Business, and the status of any debarment]:

D. AFFIRMATION REGARDING DEBARMENT

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

Neither I, nor to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, the Business, nor any of its officers, directors, partners, members, affiliates, or any of its employees directly involved in obtaining or performing contracts with public bodies, has ever been suspended or debarred (including being issued a limited denial of participation) by any public entity, except as follows [list each debarment or suspension providing the dates of the suspension or debarment, the name of the public entity and the status of the proceeding, the name(s) of the person(s) involved and their current positions and responsibilities with the Business, the grounds of the debarment or suspension, and the details of each person's involvement in any activity that formed the grounds of the debarment or suspension]:

E. AFFIRMATION REGARDING DEBARMENT OF RELATED ENTITIES

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

(1) The Business was not established and it does not operate in a manner designed to evade the application of or defeat the purpose of debarment pursuant to Sections 16-101, et seq., of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland; and

(2) The Business is not a successor, assignee, subsidiary, or affiliate of a suspended or debarred business, except as follows: [you must indicate the reasons why the affirmations cannot be given without qualification]:

F. SUB-CONTRACT AFFIRMATION

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

Neither I, nor to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, the Business, has knowingly entered into a contract with a public body under which a person debarred or suspended under Title 16 of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland will provide, directly or indirectly, supplies, services, architectural services, construction related services, leases of real property, or construction.

G. AFFIRMATION REGARDING COLLUSION

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

Neither I, nor to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, the Business, nor any of its officers, directors, partners, members, affiliates, nor any of its employees, have in any way:

(1) Agreed, conspired, connived, or colluded to produce a deceptive show of competition in the compilation of the accompanying bid or offer that is being submitted;

(2) In any manner, directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement of any kind to fix the bid price or price proposal of the bidder or offeror or of any competitor, or otherwise take any action to impact, restrain, or inhibit free competitive bidding in connection with the contract for which the accompanying bid or offer is submitted;

(3) Colluded with anyone to obtain information concerning the bid that would give the Business an unfair advantage over others.

H. POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE AFFIRMATION

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

The Contractor affirms that it is aware of, and will comply with, the provisions of Sections 14-101 through 14-108 of the Election Law Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, which require that every person who makes, during any 12-month period, one or more contracts, with one or more Maryland governmental entities involving cumulative consideration, or at least \$100,000.00, shall file with the State Board of Elections certain specified information to include disclosure of attributable political contributions in excess of \$500 during defined reporting periods.

I. CERTIFICATION OF REGISTRATION AND TAX PAYMENT

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

(1) The Business is a (*Insert State Name*) (Example: Maryland, Ohio, Iowa) (*Select One: Corporation, Partnership, Limited Liability Company, Limited Liability Partnership, Sole Proprietor*) (_____), that it **is** registered in accordance with the Corporations and Associations Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, that it **is** in good standing in the State of Maryland, and that it **has** filed all of its annual reports, together with filing fees, with the Maryland State Department of Assessments and Taxation, and that the name and address of its resident agent filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation is:

Name: _____

Address: _____

(If none, so state).

(2) Except as validly contested, the Business has paid, or has arranged for payment of, all taxes due the State of Maryland and Baltimore County, and has filed all required returns and reports with the Comptroller of the Treasury, the State Department of Assessments and Taxation, and the Employment Security Administration, as applicable, and will have paid all withholding taxes due the State of Maryland prior to final settlement.

J. CONTINGENT FEES

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

The Business has not employed or retained any person, partnership, corporation, or other entity, other than a bona fide employee or agent working for the Business, to solicit or secure the Contract, and that the Business has not paid or agreed to pay any person, partnership, corporation, or other entity, other than a bona fide employee or agent, any fee or other consideration contingent on the making of the Contract.

K. NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT STATEMENT

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

During the performance of any contract awarded pursuant to the solicitation of which this affidavit is a part:

(1) The Business will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, genetic information, or disability unrelated in nature and extent so as to reasonably preclude the performance of the employment, or because of the individual's refusal to submit to a genetic test or make available the results of a genetic test. The Business will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, genetic information, or disability unrelated in nature and extent so as to reasonably preclude the performance of the employment, or because of the individual's refusal to submit to a genetic test or make available the results of a

genetic test. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, promotion, upgrading, demotion or transfer, rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Business agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the owner setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

(2) The Business will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Business, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, genetic information, or disability unrelated in nature and extent so as to reasonably preclude the performance of the employment, or because of the individual's refusal to submit to a genetic test or make available the results of a genetic test.

(3) The Business shall send to each labor union or representative of workers with which the Business has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the owner, advising the said labor union or workers' representative of these commitments, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

(4) The Business shall furnish, if requested by the County, a compliance report concerning our employment practices and policies in order for the County to ascertain compliance with the special provisions of this affidavit concerning nondiscrimination in employment.

(5) In the event of the Business's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clause of this affidavit, the contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part, and the Business may be declared ineligible for further County work.

(6) The Business shall include the special provisions outlined herein pertaining to nondiscrimination in employment in every subcontract, so that such nondiscrimination in employment provisions shall be binding on each subcontractor or vendor.

L. FOREIGN CONTRACTS

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

The Contractor affirms that it is aware of, and will comply with, the provisions of Sections 10-2-110 Article 10. Finance, Title 2 – Purchasing, Baltimore County Code 2003, as amended, which requires that prior to the award of a contract for services under the provisions of this title, and during the entire term of a contract award, the bidder or vendor shall disclose to the County whether any services covered by the bid or contract, including any subcontracted services, will be performed outside the United States. The disclosure shall be made to the Office of Budget and Finance, Purchasing Division.

M. ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT this Affidavit is to be furnished to the County and may be distributed to units of (1) Baltimore County; (2) the State of Maryland; (3) other counties or political subdivisions of the State of Maryland; (4) other states; and (5) the federal government. I further acknowledge that this Affidavit is subject to applicable laws of the United States and the State of Maryland, both criminal and civil, and that nothing in this Affidavit or any contract resulting from the submission of this bid or proposal shall be construed to supersede, amend, modify or waive, on behalf of Baltimore County, or the State of Maryland or any unit of the State of Maryland having jurisdiction, the exercise of any right or remedy at Law or in equity with respect to any misrepresentation made or any violation of the obligations, terms and covenants undertaken by the Business with respect to (a) this Affidavit, (b) the contract, and (3) other Affidavits comprising part of the contract.

I DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE AND AFFIRM UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PERJURY THAT THE CONTENTS OF THIS AFFIDAVIT ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, INFORMATION, AND BELIEF, AFTER DILIGENT INQUIRY.

Date: _____

By: _____

Name:

Title:

(Authorized Representative and Affiant)

MINORITY PARTICIPATION AFFIDAVIT

A. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

I HEREBY AFFIRM THAT:

I am the [title]_____ and the duly authorized representative of [business]_____
(the "Business") and that I possess the legal authority to make this
Affidavit on behalf of myself and the Business for which I am acting.

B. AFFIRMATION REGARDING MINORITY PARTICIPATION

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

I am aware that, pursuant to the June 4, 2009 Executive Order of Baltimore County, Maryland, the following words have the meanings indicated.

(A) "Minority Business Enterprise" or "MBE" means a business enterprise that is owned, operated and controlled by one or more minority group members (African American, Hispanic American, Asian American, or Native American) who have at least 51% ownership and in which the minority group members have operational and managerial control, interest in capital and earnings commensurate with their percentage of ownership.

(B) "Women's Business Enterprise" or "WBE" means a business enterprise that is owned, operated and controlled by one or more women who have at least 51% ownership and in which the women have operational and managerial control, interest in capital and earnings commensurate with their percentage of ownership.

_____ The Business is a certified MBE with

[] Maryland State Department of Transportation (MDOT) #_____

[] City of Baltimore #_____

[] Name Other Jurisdiction: _____ #_____

_____ The Business is a certified WBE with

[] Maryland State Department of Transportation (MDOT) #_____

[] City of Baltimore #_____

[] Name Other Jurisdiction: _____ #_____

_____ The Business is not a certified MBE or WBE, however:

[] The ownership of the Business consists of ____% minorities and ____% women (for a total of ____%), each of which has operational and managerial control, interest in capital and earnings commensurate with their percentage of ownership.

[] The Business anticipates utilizing MBE or WBE subcontractors for ____% of the work on the contract.

[] The Business is not a certified MBE or WBE nor is it 51% owned, operated and controlled by one or more minority group members or a woman.

[] Due to the specific nature of work, this contract does not lend itself to subcontracting opportunities. Therefore, _____ is requesting a full waiver of the MBE/WBE requirement.

I DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE AND AFFIRM UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PERJURY THAT THE CONTENTS OF THIS AFFIDAVIT ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, INFORMATION, AND BELIEF.

Date: _____

By: _____

Name:

Title:

(Authorized Representative and Affiant)

Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) and Certification
(Substitute for IRS Form W-9)
COMPLETE BOTH SIDES OF FORM

Baltimore County, Maryland
Office of Budget and Finance
400 Washington Avenue, Room 148
Towson, Maryland 21204

Certification of TIN and business name are required for all successful bidders prior to issuing a contract or purchase order. Completion of **SIDE 1** of this form is necessary to meet IRS regulations. All MBE/WBE vendors should also complete **SIDE 2**. For questions, call 410-887-3587.

SIDE 1

List your **legal business name** below, **as shown on your income tax return**. **Sole proprietors** should list their individual name as noted on your social security card. You may enter a business name on line 2. Other entities must list your business name as shown on Federal tax documents. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on the business name line (2). For **limited liability companies (LLC)** that are owned by an individual, the owner's name must be listed in the Name line (1) and the business name can be listed on the business name line (2). For **limited liability companies** that are corporations, partnerships, etc., enter the business name on Name line (1).

1. Name (as shown on your income tax return)

2. Business name, if different from above

Address

City State ZIP Code

Remittance Address, if different from above

City State ZIP Code

Contact Person Title

Phone Number () - Ext: Fax Number () -

E-mail address

Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on Line 1. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). Note, this is the TIN shown on your federal tax documents.

Social Security Number

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OR

Employer Identification Number

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CHECK HERE IF YOU ARE EXEMPT FROM BACK-UP WITHHOLDING

CHECK HERE IF YOU ARE TAX-EXEMPT, EXPLAIN:

Filing Status (Ownership) (LLC is not acceptable)

Individual	Sole Proprietor
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Corporation	Partnership
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Other: (explain)

CERTIFICATION:

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
- I am a U.S. person (including a U.S. resident alien).

Signature of U.S. Person

Date

SIDE 2

MBE / WBE Certification

Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) Certification #: _____ Certification Date: _____ / _____ / _____ Pending: _____	City of Baltimore Certification #: _____ Certification Date: _____ / _____ / _____ Pending: _____
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Business Ownership (Check Only One)

	G	Government Entity		O	Other: _____
	H	Disabled		P	Non Profit
	MA	Minority-owned, Not small business		W	Woman-owned, Small business
	M	Minority-owned, Small business		WA	Woman-owned, Not small business
	NS	Non-minority-owned, small business		X	Woman-owned, Minority, Small business
	NL	Non-minority-owned, Large business		XA	Woman-owned, Minority, Not small business

Type of Business/Organization

	Association		Attorney
	Government Entity		Educational Institution
	Medical Service Provider		Non-profit Organization
	Other: (explain)		Financial Institution

Ethnicity of Ownership (Check Only One)

	A	Asian American		I	American Indian/Alaskan Native
	B	African American		N	Non-minority
	H	Hispanic American		O	Other Ethnic Group: _____

Incorporation

Incorporation State: _____ OR Date Business Started _____ / _____ / _____

Signature

I certify that the information shown on this registration is true and correct. I will advise the Purchasing Division immediately, in writing, of any change affecting this data.

Signature:	Title:	Date:
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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INSURANCE PROVISIONS

1. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1.1 Coverages Required:

Unless otherwise required by the specifications or the contract, the Contractor/Vendor shall purchase and maintain the insurance coverages listed herein.

Insurance Companies must be acceptable to Baltimore County and have an A.M. Best Rating of A-, Class X or better.

1.2 Verification of Insurance:

Before starting work on the contract or prior to the execution of the Contract on those bid, the Contractor/Vendor shall provide Baltimore County, Maryland with a Verification of Insurance Coverage form provided by the County, or an exact replica thereof, evidencing the required coverages.

1.3 Baltimore County as Additional Insured:

The coverage required, excluding Worker's Compensation and Employers' Liability and Medical Malpractice Liability/Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions Liability, must include Baltimore County, Maryland and its agents, employees, officers, directors, and appointed and elected officials as an additional insured.

1.4 Contractor's/Vendor's Responsibility:

The providing of any insurance herein does not relieve the Contractor/Vendor of any of the responsibilities or obligations the Contractor/Vendor has assumed in the contract or for which the Contractor/Vendor may be liable by law or otherwise.

1.5 Failure to Provide Insurance:

Failure to provide and continue in force the required insurance shall be deemed a material breach of the contract.

2. INSURANCE COVERAGES

2.1 General Liability Insurance

2.1.1 Minimum Limits of Coverage:

Personal Injury Liability and Property Damage Liability Combined Single Limit - \$500,000 each occurrence

2.1.2 Such insurance shall protect the Contractor/Vendor from claims which may arise out of, or result from, the Contractor's/Vendor's operations under the contract, whether such operations be by the

Contractor/Vendor, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Contractor/Vendor or Subcontractor, or anyone for whose acts any of the above may be liable.

2.1.3 Minimum Coverages to be Included:

- (a) Independent Contractor's coverage;
- (b) Completed Operations and Products Liability coverage; and
- (c) Contractual Liability coverage.

2.1.4 Damages not to be Excluded:

Such insurance shall contain no exclusions applying to operations by the Contractor/Vendor or any Subcontractor in the performance of the Contract including but not limited to: (a) Collapse of, or structural injury to, any building or structure; (b) Damage to underground property; or (c) Damage arising out of blasting or explosion.

2.2 Automobile Liability Insurance

2.2.1 Minimum Limits of Coverage:

Bodily Injury Liability and Property Damage Liability
Combined Single Limit - \$500,000
any one accident

2.2.2 Minimum Coverages to be Included:

Such insurance shall provide coverage for all owned, non-owned and hired automobiles.

2.3 Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance

Such insurance must contain statutory coverage, including:
Employers' Liability insurance with limits of at least:

Bodily Injury by Accident - \$500,000 each accident
Bodily Injury by Disease - \$500,000 policy limit
Bodily Injury by Disease - \$500,000 each employee

2.4 Other

Such other insurance in form and amount as may be customary for the type of business being undertaken by the Contractor/Vendor.



**BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
VERIFICATION OF INSURANCE COVERAGE**

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BY A LEGALLY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF INSURANCE COMPANY OR INSURANCE AGENCY.

TO: BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

Solicitation/Contract/Purchase Order No.

PURCHASING DIVISION

**400 Washington Avenue, Room 148
Towson, Maryland 21204**

Name of Contractor/Vendor

THIS IS TO VERIFY THAT:

- (1) The undersigned has received and reviewed the INSURANCE COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS of the above-numbered Solicitation/Contract/ Purchase Order No.; and
- (2) As of the date signed, the following insurance has been issued, is in force, and provides the coverage's, and does not contain the exclusions, as required under the Solicitation/Contract/Purchase Order; and

<u>Type of Insurance</u>	<u>Insurance Company</u>	<u>Policy Numbers</u>	<u>Amt. Of Coverage</u>
General Liability	_____	_____	_____
Automobile Liability	_____	_____	_____
Worker's Compensation and Employers' Liability	_____	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____	_____

- (3) General Liability and Automobile Liability insurance coverage shall name Baltimore County, Maryland and its agents, employees, officers, directors, and appointed and elected officials as an additional insured.
- (4) The Worker's Compensation and Employers' Liability insurance coverage shall name Baltimore County, Maryland and its agents, employees, officers, directors, and appointed and elected officials as a certificate holder.

THE UNDERSIGNED AGREES that should any of the above described policies be cancelled before the expiration date thereof, notice will be delivered in accordance with the policy provisions. All notice requirements shall identify the Contractor/Vendor and the number of the Solicitation/Contract/Purchase Order No.

Name of Insurance Company or Agency

**Signature of Authorized Representative of Insurance
Company or Agency**

Address

Type/Print Name

City, State, Zip Code

Date

Area Code/Telephone No.

This document was adopted to eliminate the uncertainty regarding different forms of such documents and to reduce clerical errors. Insurer shall provide ACORD Certificate of Insurance also reflecting policy duration and amount of coverage, however, submission of an ACORD form does not satisfy the requirements of this procurement.

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND **MBE/WBE PARTICIPATION SUMMARY**

Executive Order: Minority business enterprises and women business enterprises (MBE/WBE) shall have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts financed in whole, or in certain circumstances, in part with County funds. Accordingly, on June 4, 2009, the County Executive adopted the attached Executive Order addressing MBE/WBE participation in County contracts.

Each Contract: The County shall establish a minimum MBE/WBE participation amount for each contract, as applicable.

Bidder Responsibility: The bidder shall ensure that MBE/WBE participation occurs in accordance with the contract requirements and the County Executive's Executive Order. All bidders shall ensure that MBE/WBE have the maximum opportunity to compete for and perform County contracts, as applicable. Baltimore County, Maryland, and/or its bidders and contractors shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, disability or sex in the award and performance of any County contract.

APPROVED MBE/WBE LISTINGS

Published compilations of approved and certified MBE/WBE, contractors, subcontractors, material suppliers, etc. include:

1. BALTIMORE COUNTY MINORITY AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DIRECTORY (PRISM):
<http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/fairpractices/minoritybusiness/directory.html>
2. DIRECTORY OF MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (MDOT):
http://mbe.mdot.state.md.us/directory/search_select.asp
3. MINORITY BUSINESS DIRECTORY OF THE CITY OF BALTIMORE:
<http://cityservices.baltimorecity.gov/mwboo/>

BIDDER'S ACTIONS

Seeking Commitments: The bidder will seek commitments by subcontract or otherwise from MBE/WBE for supplies and/or services, any combined value of which equals or exceeds the required percentage of MBE/WBE participation for the County contract.

Expenditures for Materials and Supplies: A bidder may count toward its MBE/WBE contract requirements, all expenditures for materials and supplies obtained from MBE/WBE suppliers and manufacturers, provided that the MBE/WBE assumes the actual and contractual responsibility for the provision of the materials and supplies.

Information to be Supplied: All bidders shall submit the following information to the County at the time of bid submission:

1. The name of an employee designated as the bidder's liaison to the County's Office for Fair Practices.
2. The following forms shall be completed and submitted
 - Certified MBE/WBE Utilization and Fair Solicitation Affidavit (**Form A**); from among those names appearing in the Approved MBE/WBE Listings (excepting Federal Highway Administration projects, which exclusively require MBE/WBE approved and certified by the Maryland Department of Transportation Certification Committee);
 - A MBE/WBE Participation (**Form B**) completed and signed by the prime contractor and MBE/WBE for each MBE/WBE listed on the Form.
 - A MBE/WBE Disclosure and Participation Statement (**Form C**) completed and signed by the prime contractor and MBE/WBE for each MBE/WBE listed on the Form.

- If applicable, MBE/WBE Subcontractor Unavailable Certificate (**Form D**) completed and signed by the prime contractor and MBE/WBE for each MBE/WBE listed on the Form.
 - If applicable, MBE/WBE Outreach Efforts - Compliance Statement (**Form E**) completed and signed by the Bidder.
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3. For DPW contracts, if the bidder intends to fulfill the MBE/WBE requirements by use of a joint venture, he/she must submit a Joint Venture Disclosure Affidavit (**Form D-EE0-006-A and B** showing the extent of MBE/WBE participation. If a bidder intends to use a MBE/WBE joint venture as a subcontractor to meet its MBE/WBE requirements, the affidavit must be submitted through the bidder by the proposed subcontractors and signed by all parties.
 4. If the bidder's proposed MBE/WBE participation does not meet the MBE/WBE contract requirements, information sufficient to demonstrate that the bidder has made every effort to meet the requirements must be submitted. (See DETERMINATION OF BID RESPONSIVENESS hereafter)

RECORDS AND REPORTS

Records to be Kept: The bidder must keep such records as are necessary to determine compliance with its MBE/WBE utilization requirements:

1. The MBE/WBE and non-minority contractors, type of work being performed, actual values of work and services.
2. Documentation of all correspondence, contacts, telephone calls, etc., to obtain MBE/WBE services for the contract.
3. All prime contractors and MBE/WBE sub-contractors are required to report monthly to the County through an online system called PRISM. If the contractor cannot submit his/her report on time, he/she will notify the County MBE/WBE office and request additional time to submit the report. Failure of the contractor to report in a timely manner may result in a finding of noncompliance. The County in its sole discretion and/or upon written request may require additional reports regarding MBE/WBE.

Retaining Records: All MBE/WBE records must be retained for 3 years following the expiration or any earlier termination of the contract and shall be available for inspection and photocopying by the County.

Investigation and Notification: Whenever the County believes the bidder, contractor, or any subcontractor may not be operating in compliance with the MBE/WBE requirements, the County may, in its sole discretion, conduct an investigation. If the County finds the bidder, contractor, or any subcontractor is not in compliance with the MBE/WBE requirements, the County may exercise any and all rights and remedies available to the County, under the contract, at law or equity, as deemed applicable and appropriate by the County in its sole discretion.

DETERMINATION OF BID RESPONSIVENESS

Request for Deviation: If the bidder is unable to procure from MBE/WBE's (by subcontract or otherwise), supplies and services, any combined value of which equals the required percentage of the total value of the contract, the bidder shall request, in writing, a deviation or waiver of the contract requirements. To obtain such a waiver, the bidder must submit the following information at the time bids are due:

The request for waiver request shall include (1) a signed unavailability statement (Form D) executed by all MBEs and WBEs that the bidder solicited for participation and (2) Outreach Efforts/Compliance Statement (Form E) that demonstrates the bidder's good faith efforts to comply with the contract requirements, including copies of solicitation documentation to all potential subcontractors:

Emails, letters, facsimile transmittals and confirmations containing plans, specifications, and anticipated time schedule for portions of the work to be performed and meeting notes and agendas clearly identifying the certified MBE or WBE classification and dates that the bidder contacted each MBE/WBE; and

Telephone logs containing names, addresses, dates, telephone numbers, work to be performed, anticipated time schedule and classification of certified MBEs and WBEs contacted.

Bid Rejection/Liquidated Damages/Contract Breach: For Purchasing contracts, the apparent low bidder's failure to provide a responsive MBE/WBE Plan as required by the solicitation may result in the bidder being deemed non-responsive and the County's rejection of the bid. FOR DPW CONTRACTS, (a) THE SOLICITATION, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THIS MBE/WBE PARTICIPATION SUMMARY AND ALL RELATED COUNTY MBE/WBE DOCUMENTS, AND (b) THE BID RESPONSE SHALL COLLECTIVELY OVERRIDE, CONTROL AND GOVERN OVER Section GP 7.29 of the February 2000 Baltimore County Department of Public Works' Standard Specifications for Construction and Materials. For DPW contracts, the apparent low bidder's failure to provide a responsive MBE/WBE Plan in the bidder's response as required by (a) described above, may result in the Director of the Department of Public Works' determination that the bid is non-responsive and recommendation to reject the bid as non-responsive despite the bidder being the apparent low bidder. For DPW contracts, if the County awarded the contract to the apparent low bidder who provided a responsive MBE/WBE Plan, but, if after said award and before execution of Contract Documents, the apparent low bidder fails to comply with the MBE/WBE Plan as required in (a) and (b) above, such failure may result in the Director of the Department of Public Works' recommendation to annul the award and forfeiture of the bidder's Proposal Guaranty to the County, not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages sustained. In such case, the County may proceed as it determines to be in its best interest, including but not limited to, the Notice of Award may be made to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder or the work may be re-advertised.

After execution of each and any applicable County contract, in the event a contractor becomes aware it may or will fail to fulfill the applicable MBE/WBE requirements and/or may or will deviate from the contractor's bid response/contract terms, the contractor shall promptly advise the County of this in writing. Thereafter, the County will determine what action or remedy, if any, is appropriate on a case-by-case, contract by contract, basis. For example, such contractor failure may result in (i) a breach for which the County determines it is appropriate to declare a contract default and thereafter take further action and/or remedy as deemed appropriate by the County in its sole discretion, or (ii) a contract breach upon which the County may elect take no further action if deemed appropriate by the County in its sole discretion, or (iii) if mutually agreeable to the County and the contractor, such revision shall be documented via a contract amendment, executed by legally authorized representatives of the County and the contractor as described below in "Approval Required for Changes", or (iv) other actions or remedies as deemed appropriate by the County. Each action and/or remedy described above is at the sole discretion of the County.

Cooperation in Reviews: The bidder will cooperate with the County in any reviews of the contractor's procedures and practices with respect to MBE or WBE firms, which the County may from time to time conduct in its sole discretion.

Approval Required for Changes: Any and all changes to the contractor's use of MBE/WBE subcontractors during the contract term must be mutually agreeable to the County and the contractor and shall be documented via a contract amendment, executed by legally authorized representatives of the County and the contractor.

Other: If the documents used to determine the contractor's efforts, achievement of, and/or the status of an MBE/WBE requirement or fulfillment thereof contain false, misleading or misrepresenting information, the contractor may be declared in breach of the contract and/or the County may take any and all actions and/or remedies available to the County under the contract, at law, or in equity. If an MBE/WBE is disqualified by any public entity, including but not limited to, Baltimore City, the State or MDOT, at any time after award or during the term of the contract, the County may, in its sole discretion, take any action or no action, as deemed appropriate by the County, including but not limited to, review of each situation on a case-by-case basis, require the prime contractor to promptly submit for County approval, the contractor's plans for fulfilling the required MBE/WBE participation under the contract, and/or request such detail and additional information as the County, in its discretion deems appropriate.



EXECUTIVE ORDER

USE OF MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES AND WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES IN COUNTY CONTRACTS

WHEREAS, Baltimore County, Maryland recognizes the important contributions made by Minority Business Enterprises and Women's Business Enterprises to the overall economic health of the region; and

WHEREAS, it is the goal of this Administration to provide maximum opportunities for Minority Business Enterprises and Women's Business Enterprises to participate in all phases of procurement in the county, including construction, purchases of goods and services, architectural and engineering agreements, consultant contracts and other professional service agreements;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is this 4th day of June, 2009, by the County Executive of Baltimore County, Maryland, ordered that the March 5, 2004 Executive Order, Utilization of Minority Business Enterprises and Women's Business Enterprises in County Contracts, is hereby repealed and replaced by the following:

SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS.

In this Executive Order, the following words have the meanings indicated:

(A) (1) "Discretionary dollars" means dollars spent in county procurements from county capital funds and county operating funds.

(2)(I) "Discretionary dollars" does not include dollars spent on procurements or classes of procurements for which the county is not able to control or influence the utilization of MBE or WBE firms.

(II) These procurements are likely to include or involve:

- (a) other governmental or quasi-governmental agencies;
- (b) utilities;
- (c) proprietary items;
- (d) emergency procurements; and
- (e) operating grants to arts entities.

(B) “Minority Business Enterprise” or “MBE” means a business enterprise that is owned, operated and controlled by one or more minority group members (African American, Hispanic American, Asian American, or Native American) who have at least 51% ownership and in which the minority group members have operational and managerial control, interest in capital, and earnings commensurate with their percentage of ownership.

(C) “Women’s Business Enterprise” or “WBE” means a business enterprise that is owned, operated, and controlled by one or more women who have at least 51% ownership and in which the women have operational and managerial control, interest in capital and earnings commensurate with their percentage of ownership.

(D) “Waiver” means an adjustment to the MBE/WBE goals established by the Procurement Review Group for a solicitation that may be requested by a bidder at the time of bid submission.

SECTION 2. MINORITY AND WOMEN’S BUSINESS ENTERPRISE GOALS.

(A) An overall goal of 15% of the cumulative total of all discretionary dollars spent in a fiscal year of county procurements is to be awarded to and/or performed by MBE and WBE firms.

(B) All county offices and departments shall make good faith efforts to equitably use the services of MBE and WBE firms.

(C) The Office of Fair Practices and Community Affairs (hereinafter “Office of Fair Practices”) shall submit to the County Executive an annual written report on the efforts made in accordance with this section.

(D) All contracts or other agreements between Baltimore County and other governmental agencies, quasi-governmental agencies, developers, or any other parties, involving the provision of discretionary dollars from or through the county for the purpose of contracting with such entities to acquire and build, renovate, rehabilitate, demolish or otherwise perform a public works function shall include provisions regarding participation by MBE firms and WBE firms consistent with this Executive Order.

SECTION 3. PROCUREMENT REVIEW GROUP

(A)(1) There is a Procurement Review Group that, at a minimum, shall consist of at least one representative from:

- (I) The Office of Budget and Finance;
- (II) The Department of Public Works; and
- (III) The Office of Fair Practices.

(2) The Chairman of the Procurement Review Group may request the presence and participation (without voting rights) of representatives from other agencies.

(B) The representative from the Office of Fair Practices shall serve as the Chairman of the Procurement Review Group.

(C) (1) The Procurement Review Group shall review bid solicitations involving discretionary dollars to determine whether opportunities exist for MBE or WBE participation or both MBE and WBE participation.

(2) The Procurement Review Group may make recommendations for dividing total requirements of a solicitation into smaller contracts or shorter terms to allow maximum MBE or WBE participation or both MBE and WBE participation.

(3) (I) The Procurement Review Group may recommend that the minimum MBE or WBE participation or both MBE and WBE participation in an individual procurement or class of procurements be more or less than the 15% overall goal established in Section 2, as appropriate.

(II) Any recommendation that the minimum MBE or WBE participation or both MBE and WBE participation in an individual procurement or class of procurements be more or less than the 15% goal established in Section 2 shall be reasonable and shall reflect the number of willing and able firms available to perform the items of work to be subcontracted.

(D) (1) The Procurement Review Group may adopt rules of procedure for the conduct of its business.

(2) The rules may include:

(I) rules and standards for evaluating and determining MBE and WBE goals for solicitations;

(II) rules for evaluating requests for waivers; and

(III) refinements to the definition of “discretionary dollars.”

(E) The Procurement Review Group shall meet regularly as determined by the Chairman.

SECTION 4. SOLICITATIONS - OPPORTUNITIES.

In accordance with the recommendations of the Procurement Review Group, the Office of Budget and Finance and the Department of Public Works shall:

(1) To the extent practicable and consistent with other provisions of this Executive Order, take the steps outlined in this Section to ensure that MBE firms and WBE firms have maximum opportunity to participate on county contracts;

(2) Use best practices (which may include, but not be limited to, use of the county website, advertisement in newspapers, and other media outlets) to notify MBE and WBE firms of bid solicitations in accordance with Section 6 (Formal Bid Procedure) of the Purchasing Manual;

(3) Inform all prospective bidders of the county's policy concerning MBE and WBE participation during the solicitation phase of the bid process; and

(4) To the extent practicable, divide total requirements of a solicitation into smaller contracts or shorter terms to allow maximum MBE and WBE participation.

SECTION 5. AGENCY RESPONSIBILITIES.

(A) It shall be the responsibility of the Office of Fair Practices to ensure that county offices and departments adhere to the procedures and provisions of this Executive Order.

(B) The Office of Fair Practices shall:

(1) Post a list of certified MBE and WBE subcontractors on the county website;

(2) On request, provide a list of certified MBE and WBE subcontractors to prospective bidders; and

(3) Assume primary responsibility for reviewing, on a continuing basis, all aspects of the use of Minority Business Enterprises and Women's Business Enterprises in county contracts to assure that the purpose of this Executive Order is being achieved.

(C) The Department of Public Works shall:

(1) Post lists of pre-qualified consultants and contractors on the county website; and

(2) On request, provide a list of pre-qualified consultants and/or contractors to MBE and WBE subcontractors.

(D) The Office of Fair Practices and the Office of Budget and Finance shall jointly:

(1) Assist county offices and departments in identifying qualified certified MBE and WBE firms ready and able to provide services, equipment, materials and supplies to the county;

(2) If applicable, attend pre-bid meetings and bid openings to provide information to prospective bidders about the county's policy with respect to MBE and WBE participation;

(3) Review MBE and WBE participation plans submitted by general contractors to determine whether goals are being achieved;

(4) Provide outreach services to MBE and WBE firms by working closely with the Department of Public Works; and

(5) Provide periodic reports to the County Executive and County Council.

SECTION 6. BID REQUIREMENTS.

(A) (1) All bidders shall submit a list of all subcontractors contacted in preparation of their bid package or proposal.

(2) The list shall include the service to be performed, bid amount, and the race/ethnicity/gender of the business owner(s).

(B) (1) All bidders shall submit a list of all subcontractors to be used on a county contract in the bid package.

(2) This list shall include all subcontractors (both MBE/WBE and non-MBE/WBE) used, the service to be performed, the total amount to be paid, and the race/ethnicity/gender of the owner.

(C) Bidders (including certified MBE/WBE prime consultants and general contractors) shall make a good faith effort to meet the goals established in a bid for a project.

(D) Subject to subsection (E) of this Section, a bidder shall be deemed non-responsive if:

(1) The bidder does not comply with Subsections (A), (B), and (C) of this Section; or

(2) The bidder does not meet the goal established by the Procurement Review Group.

(E) (1) If a bidder is unable to comply with the goals established in a bid for a project, the bidder may submit a request for a waiver at the time of bid submission.

(2) The request for waiver shall include documentation that demonstrates the bidder's good faith efforts to comply with the goals, including:

(I) Signed unavailability statements from all MBEs and WBEs that the bidder solicited for participation; and

(II) Copies of solicitation documentation to all potential subcontractors, including:

(a) Emails, letters, facsimile transmittals and confirmations containing plans, specifications, and anticipated time schedule for portions of the work to be performed and meeting notes and agendas clearly identifying the certified MBE or WBE classification and dates that the bidder contacted each; and

(b) Telephone logs containing names, addresses, dates, telephone numbers, work to be performed, anticipated time schedule and classification of certified MBEs and WBEs contacted.

SECTION 7. CERTIFICATION.

In calculating the county's success in achieving the goals established in this Executive Order, the county may include the following:

(1) On contracts that have MBE/WBE subcontracting requirements, only the participation by subcontractors certified by the Maryland Department of Transportation or Baltimore City's Minority Business Office Certification shall be counted;


(2) For contracts by the Office of Budget and Finance, contracts with non-certified prime contractors who certify their status as an MBE/WBE under oath or Prime contractors certified by any jurisdiction as an MBE/WBE shall be counted toward the MBE/WBE participation; and

(3) For Public Works contracts, only prime consultants and general contractors certified by Maryland Department of Transportation or Baltimore City's Minority Business Office Certification programs shall be counted toward the MBE/WBE participation.

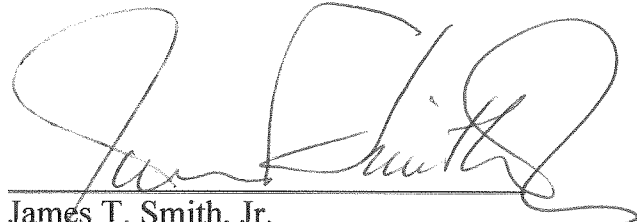
SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Executive Order shall take effect on the day it is signed by the County Executive and shall continue in effect until changed by another Executive Order.

ATTEST:



Peter O'Malley
Chief of Staff to the County Executive



James T. Smith, Jr.
County Executive

Reviewed for legal form and sufficiency
and approved for execution



Office of the County Attorney Date 6-4-09

PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS

If the solicitation includes a MBE/WBE **subcontracting** goal, you **MUST** demonstrate “**Good Faith**” effort either by:

1. If you meet the goal, complete and signs FORM A, FORM B and FORM C.

***NOTE:** All Forms must be completed and signed. However, FORM C **MUST** be completed and signed by both the prime and the MBE/WBE subcontractor.*

OR

2. If you are unable to meet any portion of the goal, you **MUST** do one of the following:
 - a. If you are requesting a **partial waiver**, complete and sign FORM A, FORM B and FORM C to identify the portion of the goal that will be met. In addition, complete and sign FORM D and FORM E **accompanied with all supporting documentation** for the portion of the goal that will not be achieved.
 - b. If you are requesting a **full waiver**, complete and sign FORM A indicating your intent to request a full waiver accompanied with a completed and signed FORM D and FORM E **accompanied with all supporting documentation.**

***NOTE:** All Forms must be completed and signed. However, FORM C and FORM D **MUST** be completed and properly signed **by both** the Prime **AND** the MBE/WBE subcontractor(s).*

Reminder: MBE/WBE **subcontracting** goal apply to **ALL** prime/general contractors including certified and non-certified minority and women owned firms.

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
Certified MBE/WBE Utilization and Fair Solicitation Affidavit
(FORM A)

**This document must be completed and submitted with Bid/Proposal to Baltimore County.*

NOTE: If you do not complete and submit this form with your bid or offer to the County, the County may, in its sole discretion, deem your bid or offer NON-RESPONSIVE and accordingly the COUNTY WILL NOT CONSIDER YOU FOR CONTRACT AWARD.

* * * * *

I acknowledge the overall goal of _____% for certified MBE- and WBE-owned businesses.

or to be split as:

- _____ % for certified MBE-owned businesses and
- _____ % for certified WBE-owned businesses

I have made a good-faith effort to achieve this MBE/WBE requirement. If awarded the contract, I will comply with this MBE/WBE contract requirement and will continue to use my best efforts to increase MBE/WBE participation during the contract term.

PLEASE CHECK ONE BOX (EITHER 1, 2, OR 3)

NOTE: ANY INCONSISTENCY BETWEEN THIS FORM AND FORM B MBE/WBE PARTICIPATION MAY RENDER A BID NON-RESPONSIVE AND THE COUNTY WILL NOT CONSIDER YOU FOR CONTRACT AWARD.

- 1 ☐ Prime contractor has met the MBE/WBE contract requirements for this solicitation and contract. I submit the MBE/WBE Participation Form B and Form C, along with this Affidavit, which details how the prime contractor will achieve the contract requirements.

or

- 2 ☐ After having made a good-faith effort to achieve the MBE/WBE requirements, the prime contractor can only achieve partial success. I submit the MBE/WBE Participation Form B, Form C, Form D and Form E along with this Affidavit, which details how the prime contractor will partially achieve the contract requirements.

I request a partial waiver and will meet the following MBE/WBE participation goals:

- Partial waiver of MBE/WBE subcontract participation subgoals, if applicable:
 - _____ % for certified MBE-owned businesses and
 - _____ % for certified WBE-owned businesses.

or

- 3 ☐ After having made a good faith effort to achieve the MBE/WBE requirements for this contract, the prime contractor is unable to achieve the requirements and/or sub requirements for this contract. I submit the MBE/WBE Participation Form D and Form E, along with this Affidavit, which details the steps the prime contractor has taken in an attempt to achieve the contract requirements.

I request a full waiver.

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
Certified MBE/WBE Utilization and Fair Solicitation Affidavit
(FORM A)

IF YOU HAVE CHECKED BOX 2 OR 3, THE FOLLOWING IS APPLICABLE:

- 1) If a bidder is unable to comply with the goals established in a bid for a project, the bidder may submit a request for a waiver at the time of bid submission. However, occasions for granting waivers will be limited.
- 2) The request for waiver shall include documentation that demonstrates the bidder's good faith efforts to comply with the goals, including:
 - (I) Signed unavailability statements from all MBEs and WBEs that the bidder solicited for participation; and
 - (II) Copies of solicitation documentation to all potential subcontractors, including:
 - (a) Emails, letters, facsimile transmittals and confirmations containing plans, specifications, and anticipated time schedule for portions of the work to be performed and meeting notes and agendas clearly identifying the certified MBE or WBE classification and dates that the bidder contacted each; and
 - (b) Telephone logs containing names, addresses, dates, telephone numbers, work to be performed, anticipated time schedule and classification of certified MBEs and WBEs contacted.

As I have checked Box 2 or 3 of this Affidavit, I understand I must submit the following supporting documentation with the bid:

- *MBE/WBE Participation Schedule* (Form B)
- *MBE/WBE Disclosure and Participation Statement* (Form C)
- *MBE/WBE Subcontractors Unavailable Certificate* (Form D) (if applicable)
- *MBE/WBE Outreach Efforts – Compliance Statement* (Form E)
- Any other documentation in accordance with Section 6 (E) Bid Requirements of the attached Executive Order.

I acknowledge that the MBE/WBE subcontractors/suppliers listed on the *MBE/WBE Participation Schedule* (Form B) will be used to accomplish the percentage of MBE/WBE participation that the prime contractor shall achieve.

In the solicitation of subcontract quotations or offers, MBE/WBE subcontractors were provided the same information and amount of time to respond, as were non-MBE/WBE subcontractors.

The solicitation process was conducted in such a manner so as to not place MBE/WBE subcontractors at a competitive disadvantage to non-MBE/WBE subcontractors.

I solemnly affirm under the penalties of perjury that this Affidavit is true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
Certified MBE/WBE Utilization and Fair Solicitation Affidavit
(FORM A)

Bidder/Offeror Name

Affiant Signature

Address

Printed Name & Title

Address (continued)

Date

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND MBE/WBE PARTICIPATION SCHEDULE (FORM B)

****This document must be completed and submitted with Bid/Proposal to Baltimore County.***

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PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR EACH MBE/WBE PARTICIPANT

Prime Contractor's Name	Prime Contractor's Address and Telephone Number
Project Name and Description	Project Location
	Base Bid \$ _____
1. MBE/WBE Firm Name	MBE/WBE Firm Address
MBE/WBE Firm Telephone Number _____ MBE/WBE Firm Fax Number _____ <input type="checkbox"/> MDOT Certification <input type="checkbox"/> Baltimore City Certification # _____	MBE/WBE Group Type <input type="checkbox"/> (African American) <input type="checkbox"/> (Women) <input type="checkbox"/> (Asian) <input type="checkbox"/> (Hispanic) <input type="checkbox"/> (American Indian) <input type="checkbox"/> (Other)
Work to be Performed and Subcontract Dollar Amount	Percent of Total Contract
2. MBE/WBE Firm Name	MBE/WBE Firm Address
MBE/WBE Firm Telephone Number _____ MBE/WBE Firm Fax Number _____ <input type="checkbox"/> MDOT Certification <input type="checkbox"/> Baltimore City Certification # _____	MBE/WBE Group Type <input type="checkbox"/> (African American) <input type="checkbox"/> (Women) <input type="checkbox"/> (Asian) <input type="checkbox"/> (Hispanic) <input type="checkbox"/> (American Indian) <input type="checkbox"/> (Other)
Work to be Performed and Subcontract Dollar Amount	Percent of Total Contract
3. MBE/WBE Firm Name	MBE/WBE Firm Address
MBE/WBE Firm Telephone Number _____ MBE/WBE Firm Fax Number _____ <input type="checkbox"/> MDOT Certification <input type="checkbox"/> Baltimore City Certification # _____	MBE/WBE Group Type <input type="checkbox"/> (African American) <input type="checkbox"/> (Women) <input type="checkbox"/> (Asian) <input type="checkbox"/> (Hispanic) <input type="checkbox"/> (American Indian) <input type="checkbox"/> (Other)
Work to be Performed and Subcontract Dollar Amount	Percent of Total Contract
MBE/WBE Total Dollar Amount	Total MBE/WBE Percent of Entire Contract
Form Prepared by: Name _____ Title _____ Date _____	Reviewed and Accepted by Minority Business Enterprise Officer Name _____ Title _____ Date _____

Total MBE Participation:	<u> </u> %	<u> </u> \$
Total WBE Participation:	<u> </u> %	<u> </u> \$
Total Participation:	<u> </u> %	<u> </u> \$

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND MBE/WBE DISCLOSURE AND PARTICIPATION STATEMENT (FORM C)

****This document must be completed and submitted with Bid/Proposal to Baltimore County.***

NOTE: If you do not complete and submit this form with your bid or offer to the County, the County may, in its sole discretion, deem your bid or offer NON-RESPONSIVE and accordingly the COUNTY WILL NOT CONSIDER YOU FOR CONTRACT AWARD.

Contract Name and Description: _____

Name of Prime Contractor: _____

Name of MBE/WBE Subcontractor: _____

☐ MDOT ☐ Baltimore City # _____
 Certification Number

1. Work/Services to be performed by MBE/WBE Subcontractor: _____

2. Subcontract Amount: \$ _____

3. Bonds - Amount and type required of Subcontractor if any: _____

4. MBE/WBE Anticipated Commencement Date: _____ Completion Date: _____

5. This MBE/WBE subcontract is _____ percent of the County contract cost:

6. This is a MBE-Owned Business Firm: Yes _____ No _____

7. This is a WBE-Owned Business Firm: Yes No

The undersigned MBE/WBE subcontractor and prime contractor will enter into a contract for the work/service indicated above upon the prime contractor's execution of a contract for the above referenced project with the Baltimore County. The undersigned subcontractor is a MDOT or Baltimore City certified MBE/WBE. The terms and conditions stated above are consistent with our agreements.

Signature of MBE/WBE Subcontractor: _____ Date: _____

The terms and conditions stated above are consistent with our agreements.

Signature of Prime Contractor: _____ Date: _____

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
MBE/WBE - SUBCONTRACTOR UNAVAILABILITY CERTIFICATE
(FORM D)

**If applicable, this document must be completed and submitted with Bid/Proposal to Baltimore County.*

NOTE: If you do not complete and submit this form with your bid or offer to the County, the County may, in its sole discretion, deem your bid or offer NON-RESPONSIVE and accordingly the COUNTY WILL NOT CONSIDER YOU FOR CONTRACT AWARD.

1. It is hereby certified that the firm of _____
(Name of Minority firm)

located at _____
(Number) (Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

was offered an opportunity to bid on the _____ contract.

2. The _____ (MBE/WBE Firm), is either unavailable for the work/service or unable to prepare a bid for this project for the following reason(s):

Signature of Minority Firms MBE/WBE Representative

Title

Date

MDOT/Baltimore City Certification #

Telephone #

3. PRIME CONTRACTOR SIGNATURE AND CERTIFICATION

I certify under oath that I contacted the Certified MBE/WBE and they advised me that they are unavailable, unable to perform the work/services for the above-contract or failed to respond to repeated requests for a price proposal for the above-contract.

Signature of Prime Contractor

Title

Date

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
MBE/WBE - OUTREACH EFFORTS - COMPLIANCE STATEMENT
(FORM E)

**If applicable, this document must be completed and submitted with Bid/Proposal to Baltimore County.*

NOTE: If you do not complete and submit this form with your bid or offer to the County, the County may, in its sole discretion, deem your bid or offer NON-RESPONSIVE and accordingly the COUNTY WILL NOT CONSIDER YOU FOR CONTRACT AWARD.

In conjunction with the bid or offer submitted in response to Solicitation Number _____, I state the following:

1. Bidder/Offeror identified opportunities to subcontract in these specific work categories:

2. Attached to this form are copies of the solicitation documentation in accordance with Section 6 (E) Bid Requirements of the Executive Order, used to solicit certified MBE/WBEs for the subcontract opportunities accompanied with the signed MBE/WBE Subcontractor Unavailability Certificate (Form D).

3. Bidder/Offeror made the following attempts to solicit MBE/WBEs:

Signature – Bidder Offeror

Print or Type Name of Firm

Street Address

City State Zip Code

Date

BID REPLY LABEL

*CUT ON THE DOTTED LINE AND SECURE
TO THE OUTSIDE OF YOUR RESPONSE
ENVELOPE OR CARTON.*

REQUEST FOR BID	
NO. B-500 03/05/12, 2:15 PM AUTOMATIC FIRE SPRINKLER SERVICES	
TO:	BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND PURCHASING DIVISION 400 WASHINGTON AVE, ROOM 148 TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204-4665

**BALTIMORE REGIONAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING COMMITTEE
REQUEST FOR BID NO. B-500
AUTOMATIC FIRE SPRINKLER SERVICES**

GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. SCOPE

- 1.1 It is the intention of these specifications that the vendor hereunder shall furnish and Baltimore County, and Howard County shall purchase automatic fire sprinkler services covered by this contract which the County may require during the period of time specified. The quantities shown are approximate and are for the purpose of bid evaluation.
- 1.2 The County reserves the right to order such services as may be required during the said period, and it also reserves the right not to order any services bid upon by the vendor, if it is found that such services are not required by the County during the period covered by this contract.
- 1.3 The purpose of this contract is for new sprinkler system design and installation and existing systems renovations, repairs, and inspections. Sprinkler systems, associated devices and DACT (Digital Alarm Communication Transmitter) are covered under the contract.
- 1.4 The Baltimore County Purchasing Bureau reserves the right to extend all of the terms, conditions, specifications, and unit or other prices of any contract resulting from this bid to any and all public bodies, subdivisions, school districts, community colleges, colleges, and universities including non-public schools. This is conditioned upon mutual agreement of all parties pursuant to special requirements which may be appended thereto. The supplier/contractor agrees to notify the issuing body of those entities that wish to use any contract resulting from this bid and will also provide usage information, which may be requested.
- 1.5 The Baltimore County Purchasing Bureau assumes no authority, liability, or obligation, on behalf of any other public or non-public entity that may use any contract resulting from this bid. All purchases and payment transactions will be made directly between the Contractor and the requesting entity. Any exceptions to this requirement must be specifically noted in the bid/proposal response.

2. TERM OF AGREEMENT

- 2.1 The term of this contract shall be for one (1) year. Each County reserves the right to renew this contract for an additional four (4) years under the same terms and conditions. Each County will automatically renew this contract on each option year unless notice is given to the vendor/contractor that the contract is not renewed.
- 2.2 If price adjustments are requested pursuant to the terms of the contract, the vendor/contractor must notify the County Purchasing Bureau ninety (90) days prior to the current terms expiration date.
- 2.3 The vendor/contractor must maintain the insurance coverages required by the County while this contract is in force, including automatic renewal terms, and shall provide documentation of such insurance in a form satisfactory to the county when required.

3. METHOD OF AWARD

- 3.1 Award will be made on a total lump sum basis. In accordance with Sec. 10-2-406 of the Baltimore County Code, 2003, as amended, past performance of bidders in furnishing goods and services to Baltimore County will be considered in determining the award.
- 3.2 Bidders will be required to provide at least three (3) (names of contact persons and phone numbers) references of similar sized and scoped contracts during the past five (5) years.
- 3.3 Baltimore County shall award contracts to two (2) primary Contractors, effectively the two (2) lowest responsive and responsible bidders.
- 3.4 It is the intention of each County to issue work equally to both Contractors, however, the assignment of work shall be at the sole discretion of each County. Subject to, and without in any way enlarging or limiting the other provisions of the contract, any claim of either Contractor against the County for extra compensation or damages, arising out of assignment of work by the County, shall be deemed to have been waived by both Contractors.
- 3.5 The estimated quantities in the Proposal Section of the "Request For Bid" document represent the total volume of work for both Contractors combined.

- 4. **PRICES.** Prices quoted must remain firm for the period covered by this contract, unless price escalation is herein specified. Prices quoted shall include delivery costs and charges.

5. ESCALATION

- 5.1 All prices offered herein shall be firm against any increase for one (1) year from the effective date of the contract. Prior to commencement of subsequent renewal terms, the County may entertain a request for escalation in accordance with the current Consumer Price Index at the time of the request or up to a maximum 5% increase on the current pricing, whichever is lower.
- 5.2 For purposes of this section, "Consumer Price Index" shall mean the Consumer Price Index-All Urban Consumers-United States Average-All Items (CPI-U), as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.
- 5.3 Each County reserves the right to accept or reject the request for a price increase within fourteen (14) days. If the price increase is approved, the price will remain firm for 365 days from the date of the increase.

6. MATERIALS, WORKMANSHIP, PERMITS, LICENSES, INSPECTIONS

- 6.1 With regard to this contract, the Property Management Division Manager (hereafter referred to as PMDM), or his designated representative (each County shall specify the approving authority), will determine acceptability of all work and/or services performed. If the work and/or services are not acceptable, the Contractor will be called in to review and correct all problem areas without additional cost to the County. Upon notification by the PMDM, or the designated representative, the Contractor will effect repairs to deficient work and/or services in accordance with a schedule jointly agreed upon.

- 6.2 The County reserves the right to make unannounced periodic inspections of the work in progress. Contractor shall contact PMDM, or the designated representative prior to beginning work at (410) 887-5524.
- 6.3 Permits, licenses, and taxes shall be the responsibility of the Contractor at no additional cost to the County. A copy of the State of Maryland MHIC license may be required.
- 6.4 Contractor shall provide a complete, workmanlike, well-executed job in accordance with these specifications and all applicable national and local codes. Any additional code requirements requested by each County shall be noted within. In cases of conflict between requirements; that requirement which is in compliance with all applicable codes and which is also, in the opinion of each County, more advantageous to each County, shall govern.
- 6.5 It is conditioned that the Contractor complies in all respects with the terms, conditions, and obligations of the agreement and his/her obligations thereunder including the specifications. In cases where delays are clearly not the Contractor's responsibility (such as scheduling inspections and the like), the Contractor is responsible for notifying the PMDM, or the designated representative for explanation of procedures.
- 6.6 The Contractor must investigate and report on any complaints that might arise in connection with the use of his/her materials and supplies. The Contractor must be prepared to furnish engineering services when requested.
- 6.7 Each County reserves the right to extend the terms and conditions of this contract to any and all other County Agencies requiring these commodities and/or services. An order will be issued against the original Master Agreement, confirming the contracted pricing and giving quantity and delivery requirements.
7. **GUARANTEE**. All materials and equipment furnished and installed under this contract shall be guaranteed for a period of one (1) year against any and all defects in material, workmanship, and installation from the date of acceptance of the system by the County.
8. **INQUIRIES**. Any inquiries relative to this bid should be directed to Dennis Owings, the Buyer, at (410) 887-3243.
9. **CONTRACT RELEASE ORDERS**. The County reserves the right to issue a contract release order or solicit bids on the open market when the Contractor's proposal for any work is \$25,000.00 or greater. For proposals under \$25,000.00, if approved by the Purchasing Agent, or the authorized representatives, the Contractor will be issued a Contract Release Order against the original contract.
10. **INSURANCE**
- 10.1 The successful offeror will be required to execute an Evidence of Insurance form furnished by the County in accordance with the attached requirements. The successful offeror will have fifteen (15) calendar days to comply with this requirement, excluding County holidays and non-work days, if applicable.
- 10.2 The Provider must maintain the insurance coverages required by the County while this agreement is in force, including automatic renewal terms, and shall provide documentation of such insurance in a form satisfactory to the County when required.

11. **INVOICES**

- 11.1 Daily work tickets, detailing the quantity of work performed under the payment unit of measure, must accompany all invoices. For materials incorporated in the work, the Contractor must also include copies of their manufacturer's/vendor's invoices for material used thereby providing verification of actual material costs. Invoices must be legibly prepared showing the full description of all work performed and the unit price for each payment unit of measure. Authorization to pay invoices will be given by the PMDM, or the authorized representative, prior to payment of invoices. Invoices must be submitted in duplicate on a monthly basis to the Office of Finance, Disbursements Section, Courthouse, Room 148, 400 Washington Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204. Howard County shall have a designated disbursements department and location. A copy of each invoice must be submitted to the PMDM, or the authorized representative. Charges for late payment of invoices is prohibited. Cash discount periods will be computed either from the date of delivery and acceptance of the goods ordered, or the date of receipt of correct and proper invoices prepared in accordance with terms of each County's order, **whichever date is later.** Under no circumstances will interest be paid.
- 11.2 Each County may withhold, or on account of subsequently discovered evidence, nullify the whole or a part of any payment to such extent as may be necessary to protect the County from loss on account of:
- 11.2.1 Defective work not remedied;
 - 11.2.2 Claims filed or reasonable evidence indicating probable filing of claims, by parties other than the Contractor;
 - 11.2.3 Failure of the Contractor to make payments properly to subcontractors or for material or labor;
 - 11.2.4 A reasonable doubt that the Contract can be completed for the balance then unpaid;
 - 11.2.5 Damage to another Contractor;
 - 11.2.6 Failure of the Contractor to submit data required within the time limits stated in the Contract Documents. When the above grounds are removed, payment shall be made for amounts withheld because of them.

12. **LIENS.** Neither the final payment nor any part of the retained percentage shall become due until the Contractor shall deliver to the County a complete release of all liens arising out of this contract, or receipts in full in lieu thereof and, in either case, an affidavit that so far as he has knowledge or information the releases and receipts include all the labor and material for which a lien could be filed, but Contractor may, if any subcontractor refuses to furnish a release or receipt in full, furnish a bond satisfactory to the County, to indemnify him against any lien. If any lien remain unsatisfied after all payments are made, the Contractor shall refund the County all monies that the latter may be compelled to pay in discharging such a lien, including all costs and reasonable attorney's fee.

13. QUALIFICATIONS OF BIDDERS

- 13.1 All bidders must submit with their bid, satisfactory evidence verifying their capability of executing all aspects of fire sprinkler system installation and repair. The bidder must be regularly engaged in sprinkler system installation, renovation and repair, including installation in large occupancy buildings. Bidders shall have a minimum of (5) years verifiable experience in installing sprinkler systems.
- 13.2 The bidder must be licensed to install automatic fire sprinkler systems in the State of Maryland by the Maryland State Fire Marshall's Office. A copy of the License shall accompany the bid.
- 13.3 Service personnel shall be qualified and experienced in the installation of sprinkler systems. Examples of qualified personnel shall be permitted to include, but shall not be limited to, individuals with the following qualifications:
 - 13.3.1 Factory trained and certified;
 - 13.3.2 National Institute for Certification in Engineering Technologies sprinkler system certified;
 - 13.3.3 Certified by a state or local authority;
 - 13.3.4 Trained and qualified personnel employed by an organization listed by a national testing laboratory for the servicing of sprinkler systems.
- 13.4 The name and qualifications of all vendor personnel providing services to the County shall be reviewed and accepted as adequate by the County prior to the start of any chargeable hours. Invoices must list the name(s) of all personnel who participate in any work under this contract. **Invoices with unauthorized service personnel will not be paid, no exceptions.**
- 13.5 All of the Contractor's employees must have valid photo identification. In some buildings it may be necessary to pass through metal detection for access to secure areas.
- 13.6 Bidders will be required to provide at least three (3) references (names of contact persons and telephone numbers) of similar sized and scoped contracts during the past five (5) years.
- 13.7 The bidder must submit with their bid a detail description of the names and models of systems the bidder is presently installing, or have installed in the past.

14. MINORITY AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE REQUIREMENTS: The resulting minority and women business participation requirement for this contract is **15%**.

- 14.1 Each Contractor must comply with all Minority and Women Business Enterprises (M/WBE) participation requirements. Included with this solicitation package are copies of the County's M/WBE policy and provisions and M/WBE participation schedule forms. All M/WBE participation forms must be completed, executed, and **returned to the Purchasing Division with the bid** if a goal has been assigned. To request M/WBE participation forms, contact the buyer on the solicitation.

- 14.2 It is the intention of the contract, that the Contractor complies with the required participation levels on a cumulative basis for the full term of this agreement rather than on a job-to-job basis. The successful Contractor shall estimate the participation level (for the full term of the contract) for each subcontractor and/or suppliers listed on the participation schedule.
- 14.3 The Prime Contractor shall make a genuine good faith effort to comply with the Baltimore County Minority Business program's minimum 15% subcontracting goal. However, the percentage requirement may vary. The Prime Contractor shall make a good faith effort to obtain minority subcontractor participation even if the Prime Contractor has the capability to complete the work with its own workforce. This good faith effort is also applicable to Prime Contractors who are themselves, minority-owned or woman owned firms.
- 14.4 All prime contractors and MBE/WBE sub-contractors are required to report monthly to the County through an online system called PRISM at www.baltimorecountymd.gov/go/mwbe under MWBE directory/Vendor Compliance. If the contractor cannot submit his/her report on time, he/she will notify the County MBE/WBE office and request additional time to submit the report. Failure of the contractor to report in a timely manner may result in a finding of noncompliance. The County in its sole discretion may require additional reports regarding MBE/WBE. Questions regarding the use of this system can be directed to Damon Hughes at 410-887-3407.

15. "SAMPLE" FORM CONTRACT

- 15.1 The County's form contract is attached as part of this solicitation. The vendor's submission of a bid response without identifying exceptions expressly acknowledges and formally evidences the vendor's acceptance of all terms and conditions of the form contract. Any and all exceptions must be submitted in writing in the vendor's bid response.
- 15.2 If the vendor submits an exception, which alters the County's risk, liability, exposure in, or the intent of this procurement, the County reserves the right in its' sole and absolute discretion to deem the vendor non-responsive.
- 15.3 All vendors further understand and agree that the County will accept no vendor exceptions to the form contract at any time after submission of the bid response.

16. ELECTRONIC VERSION SUBMITTAL

- 16.1 In accordance with the General Instructions for Solicitations, #1.9, Instructions, Forms and Specifications, responses to Requests for Bids and Requests for Proposals shall be accompanied by an electronic version (CD) of the bid proposal in PDF format. The CD must be labeled with the bid number, the bid title, and the bidders' name submitting the response. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope or carton as appropriate. This does not apply to Requests for Quotations.

**BALTIMORE REGIONAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING COMMITTEE
REQUEST FOR BID NO. B-500
AUTOMATIC FIRE SPRINKLER SERVICES**

SPECIFICATIONS

1. SCOPE OF WORK - GENERAL

- 1.1 In general, the scope of this contract shall be to furnish all labor, materials, tools, equipment, and supervision for design and installation of automatic fire extinguishing systems at various County owned and/or operated buildings within the boundaries of the County on a time and materials basis. The following services shall be provided by the Contractor during the term of this agreement.
- 1.2 **Design services**, to be provided by a NICET (level 3 or 4) certified individual or a professional certified engineer and includes, but is not limited to: consulting with the County on the type and amount of equipment to install, obtaining copies of necessary equipment tests and reports, creating installation drawings and as-built drawings, and trouble shooting design related problems during installation.
- 1.3 **Obtain permits** and approvals necessary from local regulatory agencies.
- 1.4 **Furnish and install** as designed and approved by the County, to include all necessary labor, tools, parts, materials and equipment.
- 1.5 **Testing** the newly installed system for proper functioning.
- 1.6 **Obtain final inspection and approvals** from the Fire Marshall.
- 1.7 The requirements listed above are intended as an aid to the Contractor to acquaint him with what could be required to execute the work on this contract. Any item that might be needed and not herein specified shall be furnished and installed by the Contractor in accordance with the terms of this contract.
- 1.8 The work to be done under this contract includes, but is not limited to; the providing of all labor, materials, supervision, equipment, services, incidentals, and related items necessary to complete the work in accordance with this specification and scope of work.

2. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS – Design & Permits

- 2.1 All design and system installation shall be in accordance with the requirements of the current legal version of the County Building and Fire Prevention Codes.
- 2.2 All system installations and existing system revisions require a permit. The Contractor's application to Fire Code Plans Review in the Department of Permits and Development Management shall include the following:
 - 2.2.1 Hydraulic design calculations;

- 2.2.2 Design drawings of the proposed system, signed and sealed by a Professional Engineer, registered in the State of Maryland;
- 2.2.3 Water Flow Test Report;
- 2.2.4 Catalog cuts of any special listing requirements of sprinkler equipment (i.e. heads, valves, etc.);
- 2.2.5 For the support of pipe 2-1/2" diameter and larger, submit a County Structural Certificate, signed and sealed by an engineer licensed in the State of Maryland who was retained by the Contractor. Sprinkler system loading on the building structure shall be in accordance with NFPA 13, 1996 edition, paragraph 2-6.1.3;
- 2.2.6 If an existing system is being revised in a building that has a fire pump, submit a copy of the Annual Fire Pump Test Report;
- 2.2.7 For pre-action and deluge systems submit a plan that indicates the detector layout, the actuating means, wiring and appropriate catalog cuts.

3. **LOCATION OF WORK AND EXISTING CONDITIONS.** The work sites are located at various County owned and/or operated properties within the boundaries of each County.

4. **WORK HOURS AND DELIVERY OF MATERIALS**

- 4.1 It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to see that tools, equipment, and materials are delivered within or adjacent to the work area as specified by the County.
- 4.2 In the interest of clarification, the following definitions shall apply to this contract:
 - 4.2.1 Regular Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
 - 4.2.2 Weekend Hours: Saturday and Sunday, any hour day or night.
 - 4.2.3 Overtime: any hour day or night as per this listing;

New Year's Day	Labor Day
Memorial Day	Thanksgiving Day
Independence Day	Christmas Day
 - 4.2.4 Overtime Hours : Monday through Friday, 5:00 P.M. – 8:00 A.M.
- 4.3 The work described in this specification shall be done with the least inconvenience to the County. Vehicles must have egress capabilities at all times. The amount of time that normal operations are interrupted must be kept to an absolute minimum and shall be coordinated with the user agency at (410) 887-8690.
- 4.4 The Contractor is responsible to protect all existing and newly installed work, materials, equipment, improvements, utilities, structures, and vegetation at all times during the course of this contract. Any property or incidentals damaged during the course of this contract shall be repaired or replaced to the satisfaction of the PMDM, or the designated representative.

5. **CHANGES TO THE CONTRACT.** The Contractor will notify the Chief of Building Services or his representative immediately by telephone of any unexpected emergency, subsurface or latent physical condition found; along with the recommendations for dealing with the matter. Any changes found necessary by the County or the Contractor not covered under the original scope of work, specification or drawing(s) shall be jointly agreed upon by the Contractor and the County. Any additional cost on the project must be submitted in writing by the Contractor and an amendment to the purchase order will be issued by the Purchasing Agent covering the change(s) before the work can proceed. **The County assumes no responsibility for oral instructions or suggestions.** All official correspondence in regard to the specifications should be directed to, and will be issued by the Purchasing Agent.
6. **DEMOLITION AND DEBRIS REMOVAL.** The Contractor shall be responsible to remove all their debris from the site and clean effected work areas. The Contractor shall keep the premises free of debris and unusable materials resulting from their work and as work progresses; or upon request by a County representative, shall remove such debris and materials from County property. The Contractor shall leave all affected areas as they were prior to beginning work.
7. **UTILITIES.** The County shall make available all required utilities to the Contractor for work under this contract. This however does not include those utilities to be installed by the Contractor as a part of the scope of work or specification. Accidental interruption(s) caused by the Contractor and repair thereto, shall be at the Contractor's expense. Planned incidentals under this contract shall be coordinated with the PMDM's office at least one (1) day in advance of the expected occurrence.
8. **POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS.** If the work to be performed under this contract requires the use of any product which contains any ingredient that could be hazardous or injurious to a person's health, a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) must be submitted with their bid at the time of the bid opening. The extent of use of the hazardous material may be a factor in the award of the contract.
9. **MATERIALS AND INSTALLATION**
- 9.1 **CODES**
- 9.1.1 All materials and work shall comply with the requirements of the following codes and regulations (latest editions):
- All Baltimore County Codes and Regulations
- 2000 International Building Code – adopted/amended by Baltimore County Bill #78-01 (Effective date: November 23, 2001)
- 9.2 It shall be the sole responsibility of the Contractor performing services for this contract to safeguard their own materials, tools, and equipment. Each County shall not assume any responsibility for vandalism and/or theft of materials, tools, and/or equipment.
- 9.3 All work shall be done in a safe manner and comply with all governing regulations concerning safety. This shall include, but not be limited to OSHA, MOSHA, etc. Adequate barricades shall be erected and maintained all around areas where equipment and materials are stored and used. All work being performed for and/or on County property shall fully conform to all local, state, and Federal safety regulations.

- 9.4 The Contractor shall obtain the permission of the County representative regarding any needed storage of materials and equipment. Such storage shall be done in such a manner as not to interfere with the building schedule. Contractor shall be held responsible for any and all accidents caused by negligence from this source. The County institution does not accept responsibility for losses of material or equipment regardless of approval to store in any of the County's facilities or grounds.
- 9.5 The Contractor must physically report to the work site within twenty-four (24) hours of written or verbal notification by the PMDM, or the authorized representative to complete a written or verbal quotation of the work to be performed. If the PMDM, or the authorized representative tells the Contractor that the work to be performed is an emergency, the Contractor must physically report to the site within two (2) hours and phone in a quotation to the PMDM, or the authorized representative.
- 9.6 When the Contractor visits the work site, they shall submit a written quotation based on the contract pricing. Included in the quote shall be estimated labor, equipment, and material cost, brief description of repair to be done, and the work location. The PMDM, or the authorized representative, shall stipulate whether the Contractor will quote prices for regular time, overtime, or a combination thereof. The PMDM, or the authorized representative, will inform the Contractor to perform the work during normal working hours or a combination of normal and after work hours. The Contractor shall only work overtime when specifically told to do so. Final dimensions shall be determined at the site by the Contractor prior to the construction or repair. All dimensions for fitting and final sizing are his responsibility. The PMDM, or the authorized representative shall determine what skill levels of workers and how many of each level shall work on any job under this agreement. The PMDM, or the authorized representative, shall indicate the types and quantities of materials incorporated in the work and shall approve all sources of supply. The Contractors shall itemize each type of material on their estimate, listing the quantity unit price, and extended price. The total mark-up shall be listed separately. If the PMDM, or the authorized representative, in his/her sole judgment, suspects that the price for any itemized material is unreasonably high, the source of supply will be rejected. The Contractor must provide two other quotes for the material in question. If the lowest price for all three quotes is still too high, the PMDM, or the authorized representative in his/her sole judgment, may elect to rescope the job, choosing other materials and methods to accomplish the same task. All materials incorporated in the work must be approved by the PMDM, or the authorized representative, prior to use on each job. Materials incorporated in the work that have not received prior approval by the PMDM, or the authorized representative, shall be at the Contractor's expense and not paid for by Baltimore County. When the Contractor visits the work site, they shall submit a written quotation based on the contract pricing. For emergency work, the Contractor shall phone in the estimate. Included in the quote shall be estimated labor, equipment, and material cost, brief description of repair to be done, and the work location. For regular work, mail, fax, or e-mail the estimate to the PMDM, or his authorized representative. Design drawings are to be submitted to the PMDM, or his authorized representatives prior to beginning installation.
- When approved, the Contractor will be given a verbal Notice To Proceed or a contract release order by the PMDM, or the authorized representative. Each verbal Notice To Proceed shall be confirmed by faxed written request or a contract release order. When emergencies occur, the Contractor shall call in the price quotation to the PMDM, or the authorized representative, who, in turn, shall give the Contractor the verbal Notice To Proceed. The Contractor shall commence emergency work immediately.

- 9.7 For all non-emergency work, once the Contractor has received the verbal Notice To Proceed or sub-order purchase order, the Contractor has ten (10) calendar days to mobilize at the job site and begin work.
- 9.8 The Contractors cannot subcontract all or any portion of the work assigned under this agreement, except for the purpose of achieving MBE/WBE subcontracting. All work must be performed by the Contractors' work forces. The only exception to this requirement is for work not within the trade contracted by this agreement (i.e. electrical services, etc.). For services outside of the contracted trade, subcontracting is allowed and the Contractors must bind the subcontractors by the same terms, conditions, responsibilities, and obligations assumed by said Contractors to the County. The County shall reimburse the Contractors for their costs for the subcontractor's labor and material. No additional mark-ups (i.e. overhead and profit) or charges will be allowed. If the PMDM, or the authorized representative, in his/her sole judgment, suspects that the price for any subcontractor's services is unreasonably high, the subcontractor will be rejected. The Contractor must provide two other quotes for the subcontracted services in question. If the lowest price for all three quotes is still too high, the PMDM, or the authorized representative, in his/her sole judgment, may elect to rescope the job, choosing other means and methods to accomplish the same task.
- 9.9 The Contractor shall not charge the County for travel time to and from the work site or workers' lunch breaks. The County shall pay only for actual work time on the job. The Contractor shall; come prepared to the job site with the correct materials and parts needed for the work. If the Contractor finds that they need materials or parts not anticipated in the original scope of work, they may use work time to go to the closest supply house to pick up that part or material. Only a maximum of one (1) man hour can be charged per day for such activity, if approved by the County on that day.
- 9.10 The Contractors' invoice shall clearly state actual hours worked at labor rates quoted, actual cost of materials, thereof, a complete description of work performed, location, and date. Accompanying their invoices the Contractors must also include copies of their manufacturer's/vendor's invoices for material used thereby providing verification of actual material costs and copies of all daily work orders listing each skill level of labor and their individual hours worked. The original work orders must be two-copied and must be signed by the County contact person at the job site. One copy should be given to that contact person and one retained for the Contractor's files. The Contractor's mechanics shall sign-in and sign-out on their work orders showing actual time of signing. All materials shall be listed on the work order. In most cases, each County will provide the Contractor with blank work order forms at each job site. At any work sites where the County does not supply the blank work order forms, the Contractor must provide these work order forms.
- 9.11 **As-Built Drawings** are to be submitted to the PMDM, or his authorized representative, after installation is complete and prior to invoicing the County.
- 9.12 If the Contractor foresees that he/she is going to exceed the original estimate, he/she must notify the PMDM, or his authorized representative, for approval in order to proceed on the additional work. The County shall not pay for additional work if the Contractor performs the work without the County's approval.

10. **TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF WORK.** During the progress of any work, the Contractor may suspend work via written permission of the PMDM, or the designated representative, wholly or in part, for such period or periods as the PMDM may deem necessary, due to unsuitable weather, or

such other conditions as are considered unfavorable for the suitable prosecution of the work. If it should become necessary to stop work for an indefinite period, the Contractor shall store all materials in such manner that they will not obstruct or impede the public unnecessarily, nor become damaged in any way, and they shall take every precaution to prevent damage or deterioration of the work performed. When conditions warrant resumption of work on the project, the Contractor shall notify the PMDM, or the designated representative, twenty-four (24) hours in advance and shall proceed with the work only when and if authority is granted by the PMDM, or the designated representative. Any work performed without approval by the PMDM, or the designated representative, will be at the Contractor's risk, and he shall be held liable for removal of any such work.

11. MEASURE AND PAYMENT

11.1 Engineer, Sprinkler Fitter, Pipe Fabricator, and Helper

12.1.1 Paid for by the hour. Hourly rate shall include all items of cost, overhead, and profit. Work time on the job only.

11.2 Materials Incorporated In The Work

12.2.1 Paid for by cost of materials multiplied by the contract mark-up.

11.3 Mobilization and demolition dump disposal charges are incidental to all other pay items.

12. FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY ONLY:

12.1 Location of Receiver/Monitoring Unit – Monitoring of Baltimore County buildings is done by the Baltimore County 911 Communications Center located at 401 Bosley Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204.

12.2 Notification of Testing – Prior to commencing any testing, servicing or any actions that require a sprinkler system to be placed in or out of service, the Contractor shall notify 911 Center Supervisor at 410-887-3039

**BALTIMORE REGIONAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING COMMITTEE
REQUEST FOR BID NO. B-500
AUTOMATIC FIRE SPRINKLER SERVICES
Due Date: 03/05/12, Time: 2:15 P.M.**

PROPOSAL SIGNATURE COVER PAGE

SUBMISSION OF A BID/PROPOSAL IN RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION EVIDENCES THE BIDDER'S ACCEPTANCE OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS THEREIN. THIS PAGE MUST BE PROPERLY SIGNED BY AN AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL IN THE FIRM WHO REPRESENTS AND WARRANTS ACCEPTANCE OF ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE REQUEST FOR BID/REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL. THE PERSON SIGNING THE BID/PROPOSAL MUST INITIAL ANY ALTERATIONS IN FIGURES ON THIS FORM IN INK.

COMPANY NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

TELEPHONE: _____ FAX: _____

SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____

PRINT NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

TAX ID NUMBER (FIN/SS#) _____ EMAIL: _____

Is your company a certified Minority Business Enterprise? *Bidders must complete the applicable Minority Participation Affidavit attached.*

Initial to confirm that a complete electronic version of the bid proposal response is included in the bid package. _____

Is your firm in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations relating to the employment of illegal aliens? If YES, check here _____

NOTICE: A notice required to be delivered shall be deemed to have been received when such notice has been sent to the following address and individual:

F.O.B. Destination (unless otherwise stated herein).

Delivery shall be made within _____ calendar days after receipt of order.

Payment Terms: _____ Cash discounts for less than 30 days will not be considered in determining awards. However, should that bidder obtain award by consideration of the gross price, the County should make every effort to obtain the discount. The County will not accept payment terms with a period of less than (30) days.

If your firm is not already receiving email notification of new solicitations and amendments, you may register for email notification on the County's web site at <http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/purchasing>.

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LINE NO.	COMMODITY/SERVICE DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY FROM/TO	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	EXTENDED AMOUNT
1	COMMODITY CODE: 93633 Sprinkler system, parts and materials, cost x unit price multiplier for overhead and profit. For example: cost plus 10% is written as \$1.10, cost + 20% is \$1.20.	2800	Mult	\$1._____	\$_____
2	COMMODITY CODE: 93633 Automatic sprinkler system, labor, engineer, regular time, per specifications. Mon-Fri, 8 am-5 pm.	250	Hour	\$_____	\$_____
3	COMMODITY CODE: 93633 Automatic sprinkler system, labor, engineer, overtime, per specifications. Mon-Fri, 5 pm-8 am, plus holidays.	250	Hour	\$_____	\$_____
4	COMMODITY CODE: 93633 Automatic sprinkler system, labor, sprinkler fitter, regular time, to include truck and all necessary equipment, per specifications. Mon-Fri, 8 am-5 pm, excluding holidays.	500	Hour	\$_____	\$_____
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8	COMMODITY CODE: 93633 Automatic fire sprinkler system installation, labor, pipe fabricator shop work, regular time, per specifications. Mon-Fri, 8 am-5 pm, excluding holidays.	250	Hour	\$ _____	\$ _____
9	COMMODITY CODE: 93633 Automatic fire sprinkler system installation, labor, pipe fabricator shop work, overtime, per specifications. Mon-Fri, 5 pm-8 am, plus holidays.	250	Hour	\$ _____	\$ _____
10	COMMODITY CODE: 93633 Automatic fire sprinkler systems, labor, sprinkler fitter/foreman, shift differential added, to include truck and all necessary equipment, per specifications. Mon-Fri, 5 pm-8 am, first 40 hours of work per week only.	250	Hour	\$ _____	\$ _____
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GRAND TOTAL \$ _____

COMPANY NAME: _____

FED ID OR SOCIAL SECURITY NO. _____

WHERE LANGUAGE IS BRACKETED SELECT ONE OF THE OPTIONS AND DELETE THE OTHER OR INSERT THE INFORMATION REQUESTED. PLEASE CONTACT THE PURCHASING DIVISION AND THE OFFICE OF LAW BEFORE THIS FORM IS MODIFIED

**BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
CONTRACT**

THIS AGREEMENT made this ____ day of _____, ____ (the "Agreement") is by and between Baltimore County, Maryland, a body corporate and politic, (hereinafter "County") and **[NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR]** (hereinafter the "Contractor").

WHEREAS, the said Contractor, hereby covenants and agrees to [perform all services] [deliver all goods], in strict and entire conformity with the Attachment A entitled, "Services and/or Scope of Work to be Performed", "Goods To Be Provided", [and] any Purchase Order subsequently issued and the **[Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposal, Request for Quotation] Bid No. _____, as amended, and the Contractor's response and any amendments or revisions thereto [If material business terms are contained in correspondence or emails subsequent to initial bid response, Purchasing should list such correspondence and emails here] (collectively, the "Bid").**

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants, the parties hereto agree that the County shall pay the Contractor, an amount as set forth herein, for [services and/or scope of work rendered][goods provided] in accordance with this Agreement, the other attachments hereto (ALL ATTACHMENTS MUST BE DESCRIBED HERE AND PROPERLY LABELED) and if applicable, the Bid and the Purchase Order all of which are hereby incorporated into and made a part of this Agreement. Notwithstanding any other terms or provisions of this Agreement, in the event the County is temporarily or permanently prevented, restricted or delayed in the performance of any or all of the duties and obligations imposed upon or assumed by it hereunder, by act of the General Assembly of Maryland or the Baltimore County Council, by a court of competent jurisdiction or by administrative delay not due to the fault of the County (and its members and agents), then the County shall not be liable directly or indirectly for any claims caused to or suffered by the Contractor or any other person in connection with or as a result of such prevention, restriction or delay. In addition the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. **Contractor's Duties.**

The Contractor shall be an independent Contractor and not an employee of the County, and shall be responsible for the reporting and remittance of all state and federal taxes. The Contractor shall [perform the services] [provide the goods] outlined in Attachment A hereto. The Contractor's [services and/or scope of work to be performed] [goods] will be provided with due care and in a [manner satisfactory to the County] and in accordance with all applicable [professional] standards.

2. **Compensation.**

2.1 In consideration of the [services and/or scope of work to be performed][goods] to be provided by the Contractor, the County shall pay the Contractor **[SELECT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS:]**[the sum of _____ Dollars (\$_____)]

[an amount equal to 90% of the amount invoiced pursuant to Paragraph 2.2 below. Ten percent (10%) of each disbursement shall be retained by the County and disbursed in a lump sum upon [completion of the services and/or scope of work described herein][delivery of the goods described herein] in a manner satisfactory to the County, in its sole discretion.] [an hourly rate of \$_____ per hour for an approximate total of _____ hours and shall reimburse the Contractor for eligible expenses incurred by the Contractor in the performance of the Contractor's responsibilities and obligation under this Agreement. The eligible expenses are set forth in Attachment A [and in no event shall eligible expenses exceed \$_____ during the entire term of this Agreement].] [in accordance with the unit prices set forth in the Bid] [in accordance with the fee schedule attached hereto as Attachment ____].

2.2 The Contractor shall submit invoices to the County [SELECT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS: [monthly] [quarterly] [insert the time period for submission of invoices]. The Contractor's invoices shall reflect the:

- Contractor's name
- Address
- Federal tax identification number
- Order number and line number(s) that correspond with resulting orders
- [Goods provided][Services and/or scope of work performed] during the preceding billing period

Original invoices shall be submitted to Office of Budget and Finance, Disbursements, 400 Washington Avenue, Room 148, Towson, Maryland 21204. [DELETE IF NOT APPLICABLE] Copies of invoices shall be sent to [Agency Name and Address]. Invoices in the proper form and approved by the County shall be paid by the County within thirty (30) days of receipt thereof. The County reserves the right to approve such invoices, in its sole discretion, and to request such detail and additional information as the County, in its discretion deems appropriate.

[DELETE IF NOT APPLICABLE] [Cash Discount Periods will be computed from the date of delivery and acceptance of the goods ordered, or the date of receipt of correct and proper invoices prepared in accordance with terms of Baltimore County's order, whichever date is later.]

2.3 [In no event shall the compensation paid to the Contractor exceed the sum of _____ Dollars (\$_____) [in any contract year] [during the Initial Term of this Agreement, as defined below] [or during any renewal period] [provided, however, that the County may entertain a request for escalation in any year subsequent to the first year in accordance with [SELECT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING: [Paragraph ____ of the Invitation to Bid] OR [Paragraph ____ of this Agreement]. [In no event shall the total compensation paid to the Contractor under this Agreement exceed the sum of _____ Dollars (\$_____) during the entire term of this Agreement including renewals thereof.]

3. **Term.**

3.1 This Agreement shall be [retroactively] effective [SELECT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING: [as of the date above written] [when it has been properly signed by all parties hereto][when executed by the County] and shall continue through [Insert Date] [(the "Initial Term")]] [, at which time the County may exercise its option to renew set forth in Paragraph 3.2 below], unless sooner terminated pursuant to this Agreement. [The County shall have the option of extending this Agreement at the end of the Initial Term or any renewal term for an additional [SELECT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING TIME PERIODS: [30] [60] [90] days], on the same terms and conditions, by providing written notice of its intent to extend to the Contractor. In the event the County elects to extend this Agreement, the Contractor shall continue to submit invoices monthly, for [services and/or scope of work rendered] [goods provided] in the manner prescribed in Paragraph 2 hereof. Any compensation [or reimbursement] paid during the extension period shall, when added to sums already disbursed hereunder, not exceed the maximum amount set forth in Paragraph 2 of this Agreement. In the event any extension changes the terms and conditions set forth herein, including but not limited to, a change in the compensation, approval of the Baltimore County Council may be required.]

[3.2 The County reserves the right to renew this Agreement for [insert renewal period] on the same terms and conditions set forth herein. [INSERT ANY CHANGES TO THE TERMS, i.e. COMPENSATION, UPON RENEWAL OF AGREEMENT, OTHERWISE, IT MUST BE RENEWED ON THE SAME TERMS AND CONDITIONS] The County will automatically renew this Agreement at the end of the Initial Term and each renewal term (except the last) unless it provides written notice of non-renewal to the Contractor prior to the end of the then current term. Unless set forth in a written amendment, the compensation [, reimbursement] and manner of payment set forth in Paragraph 2 shall remain unchanged, including but not limited to, the maximum amount of compensation [and reimbursement] available hereunder. In the event any renewal changes the terms and conditions set forth herein, the approval of the Baltimore County Council may be required.]

4. **Contractor's Representations and Warranties.** The Contractor hereby represents the following:

4.1 [USE FOR CORPORATIONS, LIMITED OR GENERAL PARTNERSHIPS OR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES; DELETE IF CONTRACTOR IS AN INDIVIDUAL] The Contractor is a [corporation][limited partnership][general partnership][limited liability company], duly formed and validly existing under the laws of the State of [INSERT STATE OF INCORPORATION] and is qualified to do business and is in good standing in the State of Maryland.

4.2 [USE FOR CORPORATIONS, LIMITED OR GENERAL PARTNERSHIPS OR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES; DELETE IF CONTRACTOR IS AN INDIVIDUAL] The Contractor has the power and authority to consummate the obligations and responsibilities contemplated hereby, and has taken all necessary action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance required under this Agreement.]

4.3 The Contractor and the person executing this Agreement for the Contractor each warrant that [he][she] is [duly authorized by the Contractor] [is the person set forth in the Procurement Affidavit with the authority] to execute and seal this Agreement on the Contractor's behalf.

4.4 **SELECT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS:** A. [The [professional] services and/or scope of work to be provided under this Agreement shall be performed competently and with due care, in accordance with all applicable laws, codes, ordinances, regulations and licensing requirements and free from defects in workmanship and materials, as applicable. The parties understand and agree that this Agreement may be for the provision of a combination of goods and services. In such case, the parties hereby agree that the warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose and use shall apply to the portion of this Agreement that is pertaining to or for goods. The parties understand and agree that County shall rely upon all express warranties contained in this Agreement, including but not limited to the Bid, and any sample or model presented by Contractor and expressly accepted by the County.] OR B. [The goods to be delivered shall comply with the implied warranties of merchantability, fitness for particular purpose and use and warranties of title and against infringement, and all express warranties contained in this Agreement, including but not limited to the Bid.]

4.5 The Contractor has obtained and shall continue to maintain, at its own cost, such licenses and certifications as are necessary to provide the services and/or scope of work and provide the goods, as applicable, required pursuant to this Agreement, and shall present such licenses to the County upon its request for the same.

4.6 The Contractor has delivered to the County such written financial statements, schedules or reports in such form and containing such information and accompanied by such documents as requested or required by the County concerning the financial condition of Contractor. Such documentation fairly and accurately represents the financial condition of Contractor as of their date and the results of its operations for the period then ended. There has been no material adverse change in the financial condition of the Contractor or the results of its operations since the date of such financial statements, schedules or reports.

4.7 All representations and warranties made in the Procurement Affidavit[, the Bid response], the Contract Affidavit, attached hereto as Attachment C and incorporated herein, and this Agreement remain true and correct in all respects throughout the term of this Agreement.

5. **Termination for Convenience.**

5.1 The County may terminate this Agreement, without cause, by providing written notice thereof to the Contractor at least thirty (30) days prior to the intended date of termination at the address set forth below, or at such other address as may be later designated by the Contractor in writing. The Contractor acknowledges that the absence of a reciprocal right of termination for convenience does not render this Agreement illusory or unenforceable.

5.2 In the event of termination, without cause, the County shall advise the Contractor in writing of the termination date and of work to be performed during the final days prior to contract termination. The Contractor shall be paid for all reasonable costs incurred by the Contractor up to the date of termination set forth in the written notice of termination. Payment shall be made in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 2 of this Agreement.

6. **Insurance.**

The Contractor shall provide evidence of insurance as required by the County pursuant to the insurance requirements attached hereto as Attachment ____ in form and amounts acceptable to the County. The Contractor shall maintain the insurance coverages required by the County while this Agreement is in force, and provide documentation of such insurance in a form satisfactory to the County. Such documentation may, in the discretion of the County, be in the form of binders or declarations from the insurance company. [INCLUDE IF THERE ARE ATTACHED INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS: In the event of a conflict between the provisions of the attached insurance requirements and this Agreement, the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail.

7. **Default.** The term "Default" as used in this Agreement shall mean the occurrence or happening, from time to time, of any one or more of the following:

7.1 **Representations and Warranties.** If any representation or warranty, expressed or implied, of the Contractor and pertaining to this Agreement shall prove at any time to be incorrect or misleading in any material respect either on the date when made or throughout the term of this Agreement.

7.2 **Compliance with Covenants and Conditions.** If the Contractor shall fail to comply with the terms of any covenant, condition, agreement or any express or implied warranty contained in this Agreement.

7.3 **Performance of Contractual Obligations.** If the services and/or scope of work hereunder are not performed in good faith and in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement [FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS: , including but not limited to, time frames specified or the completion schedule which is described in Attachment A.][If the delivery of the goods that are the subject of this Agreement [SELECT ONE: [was not made][is not being made] in good faith and/or in accordance with this Agreement, including but not limited to, the delivery schedule which is attached hereto as Attachment ____].

7.4 **Conditions Precedent to Any Disbursement.** If the Contractor shall be unable to satisfy any condition precedent to its right to receive a disbursement.

7.5 **Bankruptcy.** If the Contractor becomes insolvent or generally does not pay its debts as they become due, or if a petition for relief is filed by the Contractor in a bankruptcy court, or if the Contractor applies for, consents to, or acquiesces in the appointment of a trustee, custodian, or receiver for the Contractor or any of its assets and property, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors; or in the absence of such application, consent, or

acquiescence, a trustee, custodian, or receiver is appointed for the Contractor or for a substantial part of the assets and property of the Contractor and is not discharged within thirty (30) days; or any bankruptcy, reorganization, debt arrangement, or other proceeding or case under any bankruptcy or insolvency or any dissolution or liquidation proceeding is instituted against the Contractor and is consented to or acquiesced to by the Contractor or remains for sixty (60) days undismissed; or the Contractor takes any action to authorize any of the actions described in this subsection.

8. **Remedies for Default.**

8.1 The County shall have the right upon the happening of any Default, without providing notice to the Contractor:

a. In addition to other available rights and remedies, to terminate this Agreement immediately, in whole or in part;

b. To suspend the Contractor's authority to receive any undisbursed funds; and/or

c. To proceed at any time or from time to time to protect and enforce all rights and remedies available to the County, by suit or any other appropriate proceedings, whether for specific performance of any covenant, term or condition set forth in this Agreement, or for damages or other relief, or proceed to take any action authorized or permitted under this Agreement, including but not limited to, calling upon any security, letter of credit, or bond and any other action authorized or permitted by applicable law; regulation, or equity.

8.2 **Upon termination of this Agreement for default, the County may elect to pay the Contractor for [services and/or scope of work provided] [goods delivered] up to the date of termination, less the amount of damages caused by the default, all as determined by the County in its sole discretion.** If the damages exceed the undisbursed sums available for compensation, the County shall not be obligated to make any further disbursements hereunder.

9. **Remedies Cumulative and Concurrent.**

No remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the County is intended to be exclusive of any other remedies provided for in this Agreement, and each and every such remedy shall be cumulative, and shall be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder, or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or by statute. Every right, power and remedy given to the County shall be concurrent and may be pursued separately, successively or together against the Contractor, and every right, power and remedy given to the County may be exercised from time to time as often as may be deemed expedient by the County.

10. **Confidential Information.**

The Contractor shall not disclose any documentation and information of any kind or nature disclosed to the Contractor in the course of its performance of duties hereunder without the express prior written consent of the County.

11. **Conflict of Interest.**

The Contractor represents and warrants that there exists no actual or potential conflict of interest between its performance under this Agreement and its engagement or involvement in any other personal or professional activities. In the event such conflict or potential conflict arises during the term of this Agreement, or any extension or renewal thereof, the Contractor shall immediately advise the County in writing thereof.

12. **Assignment.**

12.1 Neither the County nor the Contractor shall assign, subcontract or transfer its interest or obligations under this Agreement to any third party, without the written consent of the other. The Contractor further agrees to provide a minimum of ninety (90) days' written notice to the County prior to entering into any bankruptcy, merger or consolidation where the surviving entity will be unwilling or unable to accept the Contractor's obligations hereunder, to enable the County to procure the goods or services elsewhere. In the event the cost of procuring such alternate goods or services increases the cost to the County, and/or delays delivery time of any product, in addition to any other remedies available to the County, the Contractor shall pay to the County, as damages, any additional costs incurred.

12.2 Nothing herein shall be construed to create any personal or individual liability upon any employee, officer or elected official of the County, nor shall this Agreement be construed to create any rights hereunder in any person or entity other than the parties of this Agreement.

13. **Delegation of Duties.**

The Contractor shall not delegate the Contractor's duties under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the County.

14. **Indemnification.**

14.1 The Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County, its employees, agents and officials from any and all liabilities, claims, suits, or demands including attorney fees which may be incurred or made against the County, its employees, agents or officials resulting from any act or omission committed in the performance of the duties imposed by and performed under the terms of this Agreement by the Contractor or anyone under agreement with the Contractor to perform duties under this Agreement. The Contractor shall not be responsible for acts of gross negligence or willful misconduct committed by the County.

14.2 The Contractor shall also defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County, its employees, agents and officials from any and all liabilities, claims, suits, or demands including attorney fees which may be made against the County, its employees, agents or officials by any third party arising from the alleged violation of any third party's trade secrets, proprietary information, trademark, copyright, patent rights, or intellectual property rights in connection with the Contractor's work under this Agreement.

14.3 Unless notified by the County in writing to the contrary, Contractor shall provide defense for County, its employees, agents and officials in accordance with this Article 14. Contractor

shall allow County to participate in said defense of County, its employees, agents and officials, to the extent and as may be required by the County and the Contractor shall cooperate with County in all aspects in connection therewith.

15. **Integration and Modification.**

This Agreement sets forth the entire agreement between the parties relative to the subject matter hereof. No representation, promise or condition, whether oral or written, not incorporated herein shall be binding upon either party to this Agreement. No waiver, modification or amendment of the terms of this Agreement shall be effective unless made in writing and signed by an authorized representative(s) of the party sought to be bound thereby.

16. **Fee Prohibition.**

The Contractor warrants and represents that it has not employed or engaged any person or entity to solicit or secure this Agreement, and that it has not paid, or agreed to pay any person or entity a fee or any other consideration contingent on the making of this Agreement. If any suit, claim, or demand shall arise concerning such a fee, the Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the County, from all such claims, suits or demands.

17. **No Partnership.**

Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed in any manner to create any relationship between the Contractor and the County other than expressly specified herein and the Contractor and the County shall not be considered partners or co-venturers for any purpose on account of this Agreement.

18. **Governing Law.**

This Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Maryland and Baltimore County, Maryland.

19. **Recitals and Conflicting Terms.**

[19.1] The Recitals are hereby incorporated into this Agreement. The Contractor acknowledges that any Purchase Order issued on or after the effective date of this Agreement is also hereby incorporated and made a part of this Agreement, provided, however that any preprinted terms and conditions of any purchase order or other ordering document issued by the County in connection with this Agreement that are in addition to or inconsistent with the terms and conditions of the Agreement, shall not be binding on the Contractor and shall not be deemed to modify this Agreement.

[19.2] In the event of a conflict between the Bid (including standard specifications) and this Agreement, the provisions of this Agreement (without the conflicting terms in the Bid) shall prevail.

[19.3] If a conflict arises between the provisions of this Agreement and any Purchase Order, the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail.

[USE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ONLY] [19.4 In the event of a conflict between this Agreement, the Baltimore County Department of Public Works' Standard Specifications For

Construction And Materials, and the Standard Details For Construction, the parties hereto agree that the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail.]

20. **Severability.**

If any of the provisions in this Agreement are declared by a court or other lawful authority to be unenforceable or invalid for any reason, the remaining provisions hereof shall not be affected thereby and shall remain enforceable to the full extent permitted by law.

21. **Time is of the Essence.**

TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE WITH RESPECT TO PERFORMANCE OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT.

22. **Funding.**

The failure of the County to appropriate sufficient funds in any future fiscal year to provide funds for this Agreement shall entitle the County to terminate this Agreement without prior notice to the Contractor.

23. **Counterparts.**

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts and by the parties hereto in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be deemed to be an original and all of which taken together shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

24. **Ownership of Goods.**

All finished or unfinished work or work product, reports, or goods that are the subject of this Agreement [DELETE IF NOT APPLICABLE: including any licenses or consents acquired by the Contractor for performance hereunder,] shall be and shall remain the property of the County.

25. **Discrimination Prohibited.**

25.1 In the execution of the obligations and responsibilities hereunder, including, but not limited to, hiring or employment made possible by or relating to this Agreement, the Contractor shall not:

a. Fail or refuse to hire, or discharge, any individual, or otherwise to discriminate against any individual with respect to the individual's compensation, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment, because of such individual's race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, genetic information, or disability unrelated in nature and extent so as to reasonably preclude the performance of the employment, or because of the individual's refusal to submit to a genetic test or make available the results of a genetic test;

b. Limit, segregate, or classify its employees or applicants for employment in any way which would deprive or tend to deprive any individual of employment opportunities or otherwise adversely affect the individual's status as an employee, because of the individual's race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, genetic information, or disability unrelated in nature and extent so as to reasonably preclude the performance of the employment, or because of the individual's refusal to submit to a genetic test or make available the results of a genetic test; or

c. Request or require genetic tests or genetic information as a condition for hiring or determining benefits.

25.2 All solicitations or advertisements for employees shall state that the Contractor is an equal opportunity employer.

26. **Reports / Information/Inspections / and Audits.**

[DELETE IF NOT APPLICABLE: 26.1 The Contractor shall furnish the County with the following reports or information [insert reporting requirements]: Reports produced for the County under this Agreement should be on recycled and recyclable paper printed on both sides.

[26.2] At any time during normal business hours and as often as the County may deem necessary, the Contractor shall make available to and permit inspection and copying by the County, its employees or agents, of all records, information and documentation of the Contractor related to the subject matter of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, all contracts, invoices, payroll, and financial audits. Contractor shall retain all records, information, and documentation of the Contractor related to this Agreement, including but not limited to, all contracts, invoices, payroll, and financial audits for at least three (3) years after the termination of this Agreement.

[DELETE IF NOT APPLICABLE: 26.3 The County may request the Contractor, at the expense of the Contractor, to have performed an independent audit of the Contractor's financial information including, but not limited to, balance sheets, statement of revenue and expenses, and receipts and disbursements. The independent auditor selected shall be subject to the approval of the County.]

27. **Notice.**

Any notice required to be delivered shall be deemed to have been received when the notice has been sent by certified mail, return receipt, overnight carrier, or hand delivered with signed receipt to the following address and individual or at such other address and/or such other individual as a party may identify in writing to the other party:

[Make it a sentence or column, depending on space available]

FOR THE COUNTY: [Contact Name and/or Job Title, address, telephone number and fax number]

[IF DEEMED NECESSARY] [ADDITIONAL CONTACT] FOR THE COUNTY: [Contact Name, County Attorney, address, telephone number and fax number] [DELETE IF NOT APPLICABLE]

[IF DEEMED NECESSARY] BALTIMORE COUNTY OFFICE OF LAW: [Contact Name, address, telephone number and fax number] [DELETE IF NOT APPLICABLE]

[Make it a sentence or column, depending on space available]

FOR THE CONTRACTOR:
/[Contact Name,
address
telephone number and fax number]

[IF DEEMED NECESSARY] **[ADDITIONAL CONTACT]** [DELETE IF NOT APPLICABLE]
FOR THE CONTRACTOR:
[Contact Name,
address
telephone number and fax number]

[DELETE IF NOT APPLICABLE: 28. **Recycled and Recyclable Products.**

Any goods delivered under this Agreement that require packaging must be packed in recycled and recyclable materials.]

[DELETE IF NOT APPLICABLE: 29. **HIPAA. § Compliance With Federal HIPAA And State Confidentiality Law**

A. The Contractor acknowledges its duty to become familiar with and comply, to the extent applicable, with all requirements of the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), 42 U.S.C. §§ 1320 *et seq.*, as the same may be amended from time to time and implementing regulations including 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164, as the same may be amended from time to time, the Contractor also agrees to comply with the Maryland Confidentiality of Medical Records Act (MCMRA), Md. Code Ann. Health-General §§4-301 *et seq.*, as the same may be amended from time to time. This obligation includes:

1. As necessary, adhering to the privacy and security requirements for protected health information and medical records under federal HIPAA and State MCMRA and making the transmission of all electronic information compatible with the federal HIPAA requirements; and
2. Providing good management practices regarding all health information and medical records.

B. [If the County determines that functions to be performed constitute business associate functions as defined in HIPAA, t][T]he Contractor must execute a business associate agreement as required by HIPAA regulations at 45 CFR §164.501, as the same may be amended from time to time. The fully executed business associate agreement must be submitted within 10 working days after notification of selection, or within 10 days after award, whichever is earlier. Upon expiration of the ten-day submission period, if the County determines that the Contractor has not provided the HIPAA agreement required by this Agreement, the Procurement Officer, upon review of the Baltimore County Office of Law, may determine the Contractor to be in default of this Agreement.

C. Protected Health Information as defined in the HIPAA regulations at 45 CFR 160.103 and 164.501, as, the same may be amended from time to time, means information transmitted as defined in the regulations, that is individually identifiable; that is created or received by a healthcare

provider, health plan, public health authority, employer, life insurer, school or university, or healthcare clearinghouse; and that is related to the past, present, or future physical or mental health or condition of an individual, to the provision of healthcare to an individual, or to the past, present, or future payment for the provision of healthcare to an individual. The definition excludes certain education records as well as employment records held by a covered entity in its role as employer.

30. **Political Contribution Disclosure Affirmation.**

The Contractor affirms that it is aware of, and will comply with, the provisions of Sections 14-101 through 14-108 of the Election Law Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as the same may be amended from time to time, which require that every person who makes, during any 12-month period, one or more contracts, with one or more Maryland governmental entities involving cumulative consideration, of at least \$100,000.00, to file with the State Board of Elections certain specified information to include disclosure of attributable political contributions in excess of \$500 during defined reporting periods.

31. **No Waiver, Etc.**

No failure or delay by the County to insist upon the strict performance of any term, condition or covenant of this Agreement, or to exercise any right, power, or remedy consequent upon a breach thereof, shall constitute a waiver of any such term, condition, or covenant or of any such breach, or preclude the County from exercising any such right, power, or remedy at any later time or times.

32. **Survival.**

Those sections in this Agreement which by their nature are intended to survive, including but not limited to Sections 4 (Contractor's Representations and Warranties), 10 (Confidential Information), 14 (Indemnification), 26 (Reports/Information/and Audits), shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

[USE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ONLY]33. **Applicable Laws, Codes, Ordinances, and Regulations.**

The services and/or scope of work to be provided under this Agreement shall be performed competently and with due care, and in accordance with all applicable laws, codes, ordinances, regulations (including but not limited to the Baltimore County Department of Public Works' Standard Specifications For Construction and Materials and the Standard Details For Construction).

[INSERT ANY SPECIAL CLAUSES HERE, SUCH AS WARRANTIES, ETC.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, it is the intent of the parties that Contractor has signed this Agreement under seal and further, that the parties have executed this Agreement the day and year first written above.

WITNESS:

[INSERT LEGAL NAME OF CONTRACTOR]

Federal Identification No. _____

By: _____ (SEAL)

[Insert Name]

[Insert Title]

WITNESS:

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND, a body
corporate and politic

By:

Fred Homan

Date

Administrative Officer

APPROVED FOR LEGAL FORM AND SUFFICIENCY*

(Subject to Execution by A Duly Authorized County
Administrative Official and County Council, if Indicated)

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY

*Approval of Legal Form and Sufficiency Does Not Convey.

Approval or Disapproval of Substantive Nature of Transaction.

Approval is Based Upon Typeset Document. All Modifications Require Re-Approval.

REVIEWED AND APPROVED:

[INSERT DEPT. AND DEPT. HEAD]

BALTIMORE COUNTY COUNCIL

By: _____

Chairman

Date

ATTACHMENT A

[SERVICES AND/OR SCOPE OF WORK TO BE PERFORMED] [GOODS TO BE PROVIDED]
[FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS: TIME FRAME OR COMPLETION SCHEDULE
WITH INTERIM BENCHMARKS, AS APPLICABLE]

SAMPLE

THE ABOVE ARE IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER SERVICES AS SET FORTH IN THE [REQUEST
FOR PROPOSAL # / REQUEST FOR BID#] AND THE BID RESPONSE.

ATTACHMENT B

[INSURANCE INFORMATION]

SAMPLE

ATTACHMENT C
CONTRACT AFFIDAVIT

A. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

I HEREBY AFFIRM THAT:

I am the [title]_____ and the duly authorized representative of [business]_____

(the "Business") and that I possess the legal authority to make this Affidavit on behalf of myself and the business for which I am acting.

B. BID/PROPOSAL AFFIDAVIT AFFIRMATIONS VALID

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

To the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, each of the affirmations, certifications, or acknowledgments contained in that certain Procurement Affidavit dated _____, and executed by (me) (_____) for the purpose of obtaining the contract to which this Affidavit is attached remains true and correct in all respects as if made as of the date of this Contract Affidavit and as if fully set forth herein.

I DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE AND AFFIRM UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PERJURY THAT THE CONTENTS OF THIS AFFIDAVIT ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, INFORMATION, AND BELIEF.

Date: _____

By: _____
Name:
Title:
(Authorized Representative and Affiant)