RFP 24-39
INFORMATION
TECHNOLOGY
HARDWARE,
SOFTWARE, & SUPPORT
SERVICES
FOR ROWAN
UNIVERSITY

# **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)**

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## **Schedule of Events**

# **Questions:**

All questions must be submitted <u>via email</u> to <u>bids@rowan.edu</u> with the name and number of the bid in the subject line.

Questions will not be accepted by telephone. All questions submitted will be answered on **The Office of Contracting and Procurement website** on the date indicated below.

# **Due Date:**

Proposals must be received no later than the submission due date and time listed in the **Schedule of Events** below to <u>bids@rowan.edu</u>. Proposals will only be accepted electronically.

In order to be considered for the award, all electronic proposals must be received at the appropriate required time. Any proposal not received on time may be rejected.

Refer to the Submissions Requirements section of this document for further details.

Schedule of Events				
Event	Time			
Bid Issued	6/10/2024			
Site Visit*	N/A			
Questions Due	6/28/20204			
Answers Posted to Website	7/02/2024			
Submissions Due	7/12/2024	2:00 pm		

Dates are subject to change. All changes will be reflected in Addenda issued.



# **Required Procurement Documents & Bidder's Checklist**

The documents as listed below are Procurement documents mandated by State regulation and University policy. All documents as listed must be included with your submission package in order for <u>your proposal to be deemed responsible for this offering.</u>

All forms can be found <u>here</u> and should be submitted with your final bid package. Please download and execute accordingly.

If you have any questions or have trouble accessing, please reach out to <a href="mailto:bids@rowan.edu">bids@rowan.edu</a>

Failure to include the below requested documentation with the Proposal shall result in automatic rejection of Proposer's submission.							
	Rowan University Comments						
1	Acknowledgement of Receipt of Addenda	If any issued, may not be applicable.					
2	Certification of Non-Involvement: Russia or Belarus Prohibition						
3	Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran						
4	Ownership Disclosure	Must be fully executed <i>and</i> notarized.					
5	Subcontractor Utilization Plan	If no subs, please add "n/a" and sign.					
Failu	re to include the below requested documentation with the proposal may	result in rejection of Proposer's submission.					
6	Certification of Services to be Performed in the United States						
7	Ch51 Contractor Certification/Disclosure of Political Contribution						
8	Ch271 Vendor Certification & Political Contribution Disclosure						
9	Confidentiality & Commitment to Defend						
10	Disclosure of Investigations & Other Actions Involving the Vendor						
11	Exhibit A: Mandatory EEO Language for Goods, Professional Services, &						
	General Service Projects						
	Complete Form AA-302						
12	MacBride Principals Form						
13	Modifications Acknowledgement						
14	New Jersey Business Registration Certificate	Check the status of BRC <u>here</u> .					
15	Non-Collusion Affidavit	Must be fully executed <i>and</i> notarized.					
16	Proof of Ability to Obtain Required Insurance						
17	Taxpayer Identification Request (W-9)						
If app	olicable to the project, Prevailing Wage						
18	Public Works Contractor Registration Certificate	Must be certified at date of submission.					

<sup>\*</sup> Submission requirements for redactions can be found <a href="here">here</a>.



## Introduction

Rowan University invites proposals from qualified vendors to provide Information Technology Hardware, Software, and Support Services for Rowan University.

# I. SCOPE OF WORK

- **A.** This RFP encompasses a wide variety of hardware, software, and support services over multiple areas to meet the needs of the University's Division of Information Resources & Technology. Each category is separated and detailed accordingly, and vendors must submit information and a proposed manufacturer for categories of their choosing for evaluation and scoring purposes.
- **B.** It is the intent of the University to award multiple vendors for each category of equipment and services where warranted. Each category may have a different awarded vendor or vendors. This award methodology is necessary to ensure product and service availability is sufficient for the University's current and future needs.
- **C.** Vendors may be awarded for more than one category.
- **D.** Vendors are not required to submit on every category and will be independently evaluated based on the information submitted only for the category or categories being applied for.
- **E.** There is no penalty for not applying to all categories.
- F. The basis of design manufacturers and their categories are identified as follows:
  - 1. Cisco Systems: Networking Hardware & Telecommunications Equipment.
  - 2. **Citrix Systems:** Application and Desktop Virtualization, Networking & Cloud Computing Technologies.
  - **3. Aruba Networks:** Networking, Network Management, Network Security, Analytics & Service Assurance & Location Based Services
  - 4. HPE: Servers & Storage
- **G.** The hardware, software and support services listed reflect the overall goals and needs of the University, and proposing vendors must be able to provide all items referenced for each category submitted in this RFP. However, the referenced items are not meant to be wholly complete. Additional equipment, software, services and information technology related services may be purchased from the awarded vendor(s) that are not specifically referenced in this RFP.
- **H.** Hardware, software, and services procured under this RFP must be approved by the Vice President of Information Resources and Technology or their designee.

# II. <u>SPECIFICATIONS</u>

CATEGORY 1 - CISCO SYSTEMS: NETWORKING HARDWARE, TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

## A. Networking

- 1. Switches
  - **a.** Broad deployment options with a choice of traditional, cloud managed or full fabric-control mode, as well as a range of features, scales, port speeds and interface types from 1G to 100G.
  - **b.** Intent-based networking design with fixed and modular, core, distribution, and access LAN switches
  - c. Embedded security
- 2. Routers
  - a. Software-Defined Wide-Area-Network (SD-WAN) ready
  - **b.** Highly secure connectivity, machine learning and cloud-managed security.
  - c. Scalable



- **d.** Enterprise-class features
- e. Multi-Tenant network services for public, private or provider-hosted clouds

## **3.** Wireless Controllers

- **a.** Support Wi-Fi 6 (802.11ax)
- **b.** Features to monitor the network and locate and mitigate security threats.
- **c.** Data-optimized intelligence to boost network efficiency.
- **d.** Classification and segmentation to keep the Internet of Things (IoT) devices separate from the enterprise network.

# **4.** Optical Networking

- **a.** Dense Wave Division Multiplexing (DWDM) to deliver massive scale, touchless programmability, flexible orchestration of wavelengths and ease of use.
- **b.** Packet Optical transport Systems to modernize the network with multilayer network convergence technologies including, TDM to IP (TDM2IP) and high-density circuit- emulation (CEM).
- **c.** Data Center Interconnect to scale networks, connect data centers with infrastructure, virtualize resources and simplify cloud operations.
- **d.** Optical network Management that is simplified, converged and multilayer for-grade networks of all sizes.

## **5.** Software-Defined Networking

- **a.** Simple operations by decoupling the control and data planes, while making automation highly secure and scalable.
- **b.** Build programmable networks and eliminate manual configuration. Provision and manage data centers, campuses, and WANs.
- **c.** Deploy applications and services faster by leveraging open APIs.

## B. Wireless & Mobility

# 1. Access Points

- a. Permanent connectivity
- **b.** Collaborates with a broad range of device makers.

# 2. Outdoor and Industrial Access Points

- **a.** Made from industrial grade components.
- **b.** Highly scalable coverage
- **c.** Resistant to temperature and weather conditions

## **3.** Controllers

- **a.** Security with simplified segmentation able to detect encrypted threats.
- **b.** Deployable on-premises or in the cloud.
- **c.** Optimal user experience to get contextual insights to troubleshoot faster and deliver personalized experiences.
- **d.** Ability to upgrade with no disruption.

# C. Security

# 1. Next-Generation Firewalls

- **a.** Ability to provide 24/7 protection, analyzing threat data and create security protections that are automatically used to prevent breaches.
- **b.** Built in security features and advanced malware protection to detect and stop the most advanced threats fast.
- **c.** Automated policy application and enforcement.

# 2. Advanced Malware Protection



- **a.** Security to block malware at the point of entry, gain visibility into file and executable-level activity, and remove malware from PCs, Macs, Linux, and mobile devices.
- **b.** Ability to add AMP capabilities to email and web security appliances or to cloud email and web deployments.

# 3. Cloud Security

- a. Safeguard the use of SaaS applications.
- **b.** Security that blocks and remediates email threats and monitors LaaS instances and alerts on suspicious activity.
- **c.** Broad and effective security solution multi-cloud use.
- **d.** Easily detect threats, achieve greater insight, and verify compliance in the public cloud infrastructure.
- **e.** Stop threats with deployed firewalls virtualized for private, public and hybrid clouds.
- **f.** Holistic workload protection with application visibility and segmentation.
- **4.** Network Visibility and Segmentation

# **5.** Email Security

- **a.** Detect fraudulent senders with threat intelligence that adapts in real-time to block BEC and advanced phishing attacks.
- **b.** Prevent attackers from using our domain to carry out phishing campaigns.
- **c.** Harness local threat intelligence to block fraudulent senders and gain control over who uses our domain.
- **d.** Ability to add external threat feeds to our Email Gateways.
- **6.** Web Security

#### D. Collaboration

- 1. Collaboration Endpoints
  - a. Ability to combine wireless presentation, digital white-boarding, and video conferencing.

## **2.** Conferencing

- **a.** Customize and integrate features into our own unique workflow.
- **b.** Calling, meeting and team collaboration abilities
- c. End-to-end data encryption and protection
- 3. Contact Center
- 4. <u>Unified Communications</u>
  - **a.** Deliver comprehensive global business calling from the cloud.

# E. Data Center

- 1. Servers Unified Computing
  - **a.** Ability to combine industry standard x86 architecture servers with networking and storage access into a single unified system.
  - **b.** Data center scalability
- 2. <u>Data Center Management & Automation</u>
- 3. <u>Data Center Security</u>
  - **a.** Complete visibility of users, devices, networks, applications, workloads, and processes.
  - **b.** Prevent attackers from moving laterally with granular control from the network to the individual application.
  - **c.** Quickly detect, block, and respond to attacks before hackers can steal data or disrupt operations.

# **4.** Data Center Switches

- **a.** Scale, performance with embedded security, real-time deep analytics, and multi-speed ports.
- **b.** Integrate third-party tools with open APIs and deliver changes faster.



- c. Automate operations.
- **d.** Real-time visibility into our data center with actionable insights, continuous monitoring, and policy enforcement.

# 5. Hyperconverged Infrastructure

**a.** Extends hyper-convergence from core to edge and multi-cloud.

# **6.** Storage Networking

- **a.** Built-in hardware-based analytics that enable troubleshooting and resolution.
- **b.** Multiprotocol innovations to provide flexibility; support for 3G Fibre Channel, 40G FCoE and NVMe over fabric.

# 7. Virtual Networking

- **a.** Solutions to simplify management and to securely scale our enterprise data center for private or hybrid clouds.
- **b.** Extend network edge to hypervisor and virtual machines.
- **c.** Foundation for virtual network overlays and software defined networking (SDN).

## F. Analytics

# 1. <u>Data Center Analytics and Assurance</u>

- **a.** Enforce consistent policy across on-premises data centers, public and private clouds for application segmentation. Identify compliance deviations in minutes, detect if any packages have known CVEs and specify remediation actions.
- **b.** Easily create custom apps through comprehensive, detailed telemetry data in the data lake. Allow querying information.
- **c.** Assuring network security policies and check for compliance against business rules.
- **d.** Make changes by proactively verifying their correctness and reduce risk of network failures by human errors.
- **e.** Eliminate potential network outages and vulnerabilities before business impact occurs by continuous network verification.

# 2. Network Analytics

- **a.** Comprehensive network visibility to easily manage all connected devices and services.
- **b.** Identify and solve issues before they become problems.
- **c.** Pinpoint where and when problems occurred on the network.

# 3. Network Security Analytics

- **a.** Analyze data for malicious behavior using multiple threat detection techniques, including machine learning and predictive analytics.
- **b.** Able and effective at identifying new, emerging, and unknown threats by combining network traffic telemetry with security analytics.
- **c.** Investigate security alerts and understand exactly who and what to attribute to a security event.

# G. Video

## 1. Video Endpoints

a. Combine wireless presentation, digital white-boarding, and video conferencing.

## 2. Video Intelligence

- **a.** Unification of voice, video, data, and mobile applications.
- **b.** Personalized omni-channel experiences
- 3. <u>Dynamic Signage Solutions</u>

# H. Internet of Things (IoT)

- 1. IoT Networking
- 2. Extended Enterprise



- 3. IoT Management
- 4. IoT Security

#### I. Software

- 1. Software to access and manage entire switching structure as a single converged component.
- 2. Wide-Area-Network Software
- 3. Data Center Networking Software
- 4. Data Center Hybrid Cloud Software
- 5. Security Software with automation & Predictive Monitoring

## J. Professional Services

- 1. Design Services
- 2. Installation Services
- 3. Technical Services
- **K.** The manufacturer being utilized as the basis of design for **CATEGORY 1:** NETWORKING HARDWARE, TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES is **Cisco Systems**.
  - 1. Vendors may submit on alternate solutions that meet or exceed the specifications and features of the referenced products and services as listed in this RFP. However, the University, it its sole discretion, will determine if an alternate solution is acceptable.
  - **2.** If an alternative solution is proposed, the vendor must supply informational material for evaluation and consideration purposes.
  - **3.** Any proposed equal must be fully compatible and able to seamlessly integrate (at no additional cost) with all existing Cisco Systems hardware, software, and support services.

# CATEGORY 2 - CITRIX SYSTEMS: APPLICATION AND DESKTOP VIRTUALIZATION, NETWORKING & CLOUD COMPUTING TECHNOLOGIES

# A. Digital Workspace

## 1. Virtual Apps and Desktops

- **a.** Deliver Windows, Linux, and web-based applications, as well as full virtual desktops, from any cloud environment (public, private, or hybrid) within a modern digital workspace.
- **b.** Automatically adapt to end-user requirements by dynamically discovering corporate infrastructure and selecting the optimal network path to corporate resources, even during transitions between internal and external networks. Ensure seamless transition between tablet and desktop modes within the virtual desktop environment as needed.
- **c.** Implement browser content redirection to efficiently manage web-based content within the virtual desktop environment.
- **d.** Facilitate easy collaboration by natively supporting unified communication (UC) solutions such as Microsoft Teams, Cisco Jabber, or Avaya One-X, among others.
- **e.** Enable seamless access and utilization of local applications within the virtual desktop environment. Ensure optimized access to locally attached peripheral devices regardless of the endpoint platform or connection type.
- **f.** Provide robust support for graphics acceleration by leveraging GPUs from industry-leading providers such as Intel, AMD, and NVIDIA to enhance graphical performance within the virtual desktop environment.
- **g.** Integrate seamlessly with file synchronization and sharing solutions to facilitate efficient collaboration and file management within the virtual desktop infrastructure.

## 2. Content Collaboration



- **a.** Empower mobile users with robust business-class data security while maintaining comprehensive IT oversight and control.
- **b.** Enable seamless access, synchronization, and secure sharing of files across all devices and locations.
- **c.** Automate feedback and approval workflows to streamline business operations and enhance productivity.

# 3. Endpoint Management

- **a.** Manage diverse devices including desktops, laptops, smartphones, tablets, and IoT through a unified platform.
- **b.** Provide users with a unified interface for accessing all applications and files across devices.

# 4. Workspace App

- **a.** Experience a secure, contextual, and unified workspace accessible across all devices.
- **b.** Provide users with instant access to SaaS and web apps, files, mobile apps, and Virtual Apps and Desktops—all within an intuitive, all-in-one interface.
- **c.** Users enjoy seamless and secure access to essential apps through single sign-on, while the University maintains control, strengthens auditing, and promotes security measures.
- **d.** Centralize access to corporate SaaS and web apps, ensuring unprecedented visibility and control. Advanced policies, including watermarking, are employed to secure all SaaS apps and prevent data loss.
- **e.** Users can access their workspace from various devices including Windows, Mac, iOS, Chrome OS, Android, or Linux platforms.
- **f.** Users gain fast access to files stored in OneDrive for Business and Google Drive Centrally stored files are dynamically synchronized across devices for instant availability.
- **g.** Automatically redirect select internet browsing tasks to a cloud-hosted web browser, isolating them from the corporate network. This enables users to securely browse without exposing the network to malicious attacks.

# 5. <u>Virtualization Management Platform</u>

- **a.** Optimized for application, desktop, and server virtualization infrastructures.
- **b.** Comprehensive server virtualization platform with enterprise-class features built-in to handle various workload types, mixed operating systems, and storage or networking configurations.
- c. Scalability.

# **6.** Secure File Sharing

- **a.** Access files anytime with unlimited cloud storage.
- **b.** Implement bank-level encryption to protect files, emails, and any attachments in transit and at rest.

## B. Networking

# 1. Application Delivery and Load Balancing Solution

- **a.** Pooled capacity licensing enables the movement of capacity among cloud deployments.
- **b.** Provides a high-quality user experience for our web, traditional, and cloud-native applications regardless of where they are hosted.

# 2. <u>Centralized Network Management, Analytics and Orchestration Solution</u>

**a.** From a single platform, administrators can view, automate, and manage network services for scale-out application architectures.

## **3.** Gateways

**a.** Customer-managed solution that can be deployed on premises or on any public cloud, such as AWS, Azure, or Google Cloud Platform.



- **b.** Provides users with secure access and single sign-on to all the virtual, SaaS and web applications.
- **4.** Intelligent Traffic Management
  - **a.** Monitors internet traffic issues in real time and automatically steers your traffic to avoid them.
  - **b.** Regardless of host applications and content on premises, in the cloud or in content delivery networks (CDNs), the Traffic Management shall allow the University to globally load balance all traffic.
  - **c.** Real-time machine learning to direct user requests to the most suitable content source.
- 5. <u>Software-Defined Wide-Area-Network Management Solution</u>
  - **a.** Deliver flexible, automated, secure connectivity and performance that keeps the workspace always-on.
  - **b.** Choice of deployment options with automated connectivity to the cloud.
  - **c.** Integrated visibility and control over all aspects of the WAN.
- 6. Secure Web Gateway
  - **a.** Eliminate blind spots in the environment and strengthen our security.
- **7.** Web App Firewall
  - **a.** Protect web applications and sites from both known and unknown attacks, including application-layer and zero-day threats.
  - **b.** Deliver comprehensive protection without degrading throughput or application response times.
  - **c.** Available as a cloud solution or integrated within the platform.
  - **d.** Pooled licensing options to allow the University to grow incrementally and scale on demand.

# C. Analytics

- 1. Collect data across offerings and generate actionable insights.
- **2.** Applies machine learning to data that spans network traffic, users, files, and endpoints to identify and act on malicious user behavior and app performance anomalies.

# D. Professional Services

- 1. Design Services
- 2. Installation Services
- 3. Technical Services
- **E.** The manufacturer being utilized as the basis of design for **CATEGORY 2:** APPLICATION AND DESKTOP VIRTUALIZATION, NETWORKING & CLOUD COMPUTING TECHNOLOGIES is **Citrix Systems**.
  - 1. Vendors may submit on alternate solutions that meet or exceed the specifications and features of the referenced products and services as listed in this RFP. However, the University it its sole discretion, will determine if an alternate solution is acceptable.
  - **2.** If an alternative solution is proposed, the vendor must supply informational material for evaluation and consideration purposes.
  - **3.** Any proposed equal must be fully compatible and able to seamlessly integrate (at no additional cost) with all existing Citrix Systems hardware, software, and support services.

**CATEGORY 3 – ARUBA NETWORKS:** NETWORKING, NETWORK MANAGEMENT, NETWORK SECURITY, ANALYTICS & SERVICE ASSURANCE, LOCATION BASED SERVICES & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

# A. Networking

- 1. Access Points
  - **a.** Flexible deployment options allowing to be deployed in controller-managed, controller-less (instant) or remote access modes.
- 2. Switches
- **3.** Routers



#### 4. Controllers

- **a.** Centralize on-site management, policies, and access point deployment to improve performance and visibility.
- **b.** Available across WLAN, LAN, and WAN with automated policy enforcement.
- **c.** Offer enhanced flexibility with additional deployment modes as: VPN concentrators, WIPS/WIDS monitors and SD-WAN gateways.

# **5.** Software-Defined Wide Area Network

- **a.** Increased visibility and control over internet traffic.
- **b.** Provides cloud management for SD-WAN, WLAN, and LAN to provide IT with end-to-end network visibility.
- **c.** Policy-based routing and dynamic path selection to make granular decisions to optimize experience and performance.

# 6. Network Management

**a.** Granular visibility and predictive analytics

## 7. Analytics & Assurance

**a.** Offers IT large scale visibility and insights, with actionable insights designed to deliver a better user-experience.

# B. Network Access Control & Security

- **1.** Agentless visibility and dynamic role-based access control with seamless security enforcement and response across wired and wireless networks.
- **2.** Includes secure Wi-Fi guest access, device onboarding and health checks, and strong enforcement capabilities.
- **3.** End-to-end security
- **4.** Al-based machine learning and analytic solutions to detect, investigate and respond to attacks.
- **5.** Open, multi-vendor integration solutions

## C. Location Based Services

## **1.** Beacons

- **a.** Ability to leverage Bluetooth Low-Energy (BLE) technology to power indoor location and wayfinding, and proximity-aware push notifications.
- **b.** The ability to customize the placement of beacons.
- **c.** Do not require smartphones to connect or pair with them and do not collect mobile device identity.
- **d.** Mobile app to allow the install of beacons, place them on a digital map and configure accuracy.
- **e.** Compatible with all Bluetooth devices and Apple iBeacon standard.

#### **2.** Tags

**a.** Real time-location system (RTLS) for equipment and asset tracking.

# 3. Location Powered Apps

- **a.** Offers access from anywhere.
- **b.** Includes visibility, analytics, and the scale needed to support any deployment.
- **c.** Asset tracking to connect items, with proximity-based notifications to inform or promote from any location.

# **4.** Location Analytics

**a.** Collects and analyzes data captured from the WLAN and mobile devices to deliver analytics that help IRT make operational decisions.

## D. Professional Services

- 1. Design Services
- 2. Installation Services



#### 3. Technical Services

- E. The manufacturer being utilized as the basis of design for CATEGORY 3: NETWORKING, NETWORK MANAGEMENT, NETWORK SECURITY, ANALYTICS & SERVICE ASSURANCE, LOCATION BASED SERVICES & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES is Aruba Networks.
  - 1. Vendors may submit on alternate solutions that meet or exceed the specifications and features of the referenced products and services as listed in this RFP. However, the University it its sole discretion, will determine if an alternate solution is acceptable.
  - **2.** If an alternative solution is proposed, the vendor must supply informational material for evaluation and consideration purposes.
  - **3.** Any proposed equal must be fully compatible and able to seamlessly integrate (at no additional cost) with all existing Aruba Networks hardware, software, and support services.

# CATEGORY 4 - HPE: SERVER & ENTERPRISE STORAGE HARDWARE, SOFTWARE & SERVICES

#### A. Software

- 1. Server Management
- 2. Switch Management

# B. Enterprise Storage Systems

- 1. Tape Libraries
  - a. Minimum of 40 tape slots
  - b. Network connectivity for management
- 2. Tape Drives
  - a. Minimum of LTO 6
  - **b.** Fiber channel connectivity
  - c. 256-bit encryption
  - **d.** Data as self-describing and file based.
  - **e.** Analytics features that predict bottlenecks and advise on potential failures and load-balancing issues.

## C. Networking

- 1. Storage switches
  - a. Configurations from 8G to 64G

## D. Professional Services

- 1. Installation
- **2.** On-Site Support
- 3. Training
- **E.** The manufacturer being utilized as the basis of design for **Category 4:** SERVER & ENTERPRISE STORAGE HARDWARE, SOFTWARE & SERVICES is **HPE Servers & Storage**.
  - 1. Vendors may submit alternate solutions that meet or exceed the specifications and features of the referenced products and services as listed in this RFP. However, the University at its sole discretion, will determine if an alternate solution is acceptable.
  - **2.** If an alternative solution is proposed, the vendor must supply informational material for evaluation and consideration purposes.
  - **3.** Any proposed equal must be fully compatible and able to seamlessly integrate (at no additional cost) with all existing Citrix Systems hardware, software, and support services.

# III. RESPONSIBILITIES & REQUIREMENTS



## A. Standard Operational Services

- 1. The awarded vendor must provide a minimum of two account managers that will serve as the points of contact for all business-related matters (unless otherwise agreed upon by the University).
  - **a.** Contact information and a brief resume for both dedicated account managers should be included in the RFP submission for evaluation purposes.

## **2.** Response Times:

**a.** The awarded vendor will have two (2) business days to respond to University requests or issues.

# B. Record Keeping & Reporting

- 1. Upon request, the awarded vendor must provide the University with evidence of the manufacturer's MSRP for any product or service. This information shall originate from the manufacturer in an official capacity, via website, a representative, or an agreed upon method by the University and awarded vendor.
- **2.** Vendors shall keep records that demonstrate product usage for the University. Data shall be made available upon request in either electronic or printed format.

# C. Invoicing

- 1. Vendor shall provide electronic invoicing to <a href="mailto:invoices@rowan.edu">invoices@rowan.edu</a>.
- 2. All invoices must include a comprehensive list of all assets makes, models, and serial numbers on the invoice.

# **IV. WARRANTIES & SAFEGUARDS**

#### A. Warrantees

- 1. Vendors must provide a minimum warranty on all equipment and installation services for one (1) year.
- 2. If the standard manufacturer warranty of any item is longer than one-year, then the awarded vendor will honor any warranty for the same length of time.

## B. Delivery

- All deliveries must be FOB Destination, freight pre-paid. No additional charges will be allowed. There
  shall be no additional pallet charges; no additional charges for inside deliveries; and no fuel
  surcharges. All orders shall be labeled and packaged adequately to ensure safe handling and proper
  delivery.
- 2. For deliveries requiring installation, the awarded vendor must accept delivery of items prior to installation. The University (unless approved otherwise in writing) will not accept items delivered directly by the manufacturer or any other party.
- **3.** For deliveries without installation, the awarded vendor is required to include the University's Purchase Order number as well as any pertinent contact information as part of the labeling.
- **4.** Deliveries must be made during normal business hours, Monday through Friday (excluding federal holidays) between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

# C. Returns & Restocking

- 1. Vendors must accept all returns for up to 30 days from receipt of order with no restocking or other return charges, provided items are returned in their original packaging, with a copy of the packing slip indicating the items being returned. Vendor shall credit the University within thirty (30) days of receiving the return. Any return not in the original packaging or not in saleable condition may be refused and returned to the agency indicating the reason the return was not accepted and that a credit will not be received.
- 2. Products returned because of quality problems, duplicate shipments, outdated products, etc., shall be picked up by the Vendor within five (5) business days after notification, with no restocking charge, and



- shall be replaced with specified products or the University entity shall be credited/refunded for the full purchase price.
- **3.** The University may return products ordered in error for credit within thirty (30) days of receipt. Products must be in resalable condition (original container and unused). The Vendor may not charge for such returns.

## V. PRICING

- **A.** Pricing will be based on fixed-percentage discounts off proposed Manufacturer's MSRP for all applicable items or hourly rates for requested professional services.
  - **1.** Professional Services, including Design Services, Installation Services, On-Site Support Services, Telephone Support Services and Managed Services, may be priced within a range. However, the vendor shall include a separate pricing guide, referencing costs with specific services. Any services not specifically referenced will be priced based on the lowest dollar value in that applicable range.
  - 2. Each category will have an established set of products and services determined by the University. Vendors are required to provide a specific fixed-percentage discount off MSRP for all referenced classifications. Note: Vendors only need to respond to all items per category being applied for. Vendors must provide their expected discount from the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) in addition to the discount off MSRP provided to the University.
  - **3.** Additional equipment and services may be purchased from the awarded vendor(s) that are not specifically referenced in this RFP but are nonetheless part of the category they belong to and from the proposed manufacturer set forth by the vendor in their submission. Costs for these items and services will be at a negotiated rate between the Awarded Vendor(s) and the University.
- **B.** Vendors will list "Minimum Hardware Discounts" in addition to specific discounts for sub-categories on equipment. Minimum Discounts shall apply to any equipment purchased through a manufacturer that does not align with one of the specific sub-categories.
- **C.** Costs must include all labor, materials, equipment, supervision, coordination efforts and all other associated or related items necessary for the successful completion of this project.
- **D.** Pricing will not be based on any minimum quantities to be ordered.
- **E.** Pricing must be all inclusive. Delivery costs are the responsibility of the awarded vendor and must be included in the proposal pricing. The University will not pay separate shipping costs in addition to the product prices quoted.
- **F.** At the University's request, the Vendor must accept delivery of any equipment, store it at a secure location, and provide inside delivery to the University at a location of the University's choosing only when the University is ready to receive it, at no additional cost.
- **G.** Proposal pricing must remain valid for no less than ninety (90) days from the submission due date. If awarded, pricing must remain valid for the duration as required by this RFP.
- **H.** All costs must be detailed on the Proposal Page of this RFP in the format provided. Any edited or dissimilar formats may not be accepted.
- I. Refer to the Proposal Pages for additional information. DO NOT MODIFY THE PROPOSAL PAGES OF THIS RFP. THE DATA SHOULD BE ENTERED AS REQUESTED. ANY CHANGES MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR SUBMISSION.

## VI. TERM OF CONTRACT

**A.** The anticipated contractual period will be from July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2029 (Year One) with four (4) potential renewals of one-year each, subject to budgetary approval on a yearly basis. Rowan reserves the right to alter this period upon review of all proposals.



- 1. Year One (Fiscal Year 25): July 1, 2024 June 30, 2025
- 2. Year Two (Fiscal Year 26): July 1, 2025 June 30, 2026
- **3.** Year Three (Fiscal Year 27): July 1, 2026 June 30, 2027
- 4. Year Four (Fiscal Year 28): July 1, 2027 June 30, 2028
- **5.** Year Five (Fiscal Year 29): July 1, 2028 June 30, 2029
- **B.** The University reserves the right to terminate the awarded vendor's services for cause or convenience at any time during the term of the contract.
- **C.** If the University terminates services, written notice will be provided thirty (30) days in advance of termination date.

# VII. PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS AND AMENDMENTS

- **A.** The awarded vendor will comply with all procedural instructions that may be issued from time to time by the Contracting Officer of the University or designee.
- **B.** During the contract period, no change is permitted in any of its conditions and specifications unless the awarded vendor receives written approval from the Contracting Officer or respective designee.
- **C.** Vendors must supply Rowan University with any/all applicable warranty information, whether expressed or implied.
- **D.** Should the awarded vendor find at any time that existing conditions make modification in requirements desirable; it shall promptly report such matters to the Contracting Officer or designee of the University for consideration and decision.
- **E.** During the period of contract or any extension thereof, the University reserves the right to add or delete specific devices.
- **F.** Rowan University may make changes in the general scope of the contract services provided by the vendor by written notice. The vendor shall promptly comply with the notice and shall bring all subsequent services in conformance with the notice.
- **G.** If any such changes cause a material increase or decrease in the vendor's cost of operation or the time required for attainment of required service levels, an equitable adjustment in the contract cost or time allotted for fulfillment of the contract shall be negotiated and the contract modified accordingly. Any change, alteration or modification of any contract will be valid and binding only if a submittal of a proposal, vendor hereby agrees to negotiate on good faith.
- **H.** The awarded vendor's engagement partner and/or manager might be required to meet periodically with the Contracting officer or her representatives to discuss services.

## VIII. VENDOR PERSONNEL

- **A.** While on University property:
  - 1. All personnel shall observe all rules and regulations in effect at Rowan University and DMAHS governing safety and personal conduct.
  - 2. Vendor employees shall be subject to control of the University, but under no circumstances, shall such persons be deemed employees of the University.
- **B.** Vendor personnel shall not represent themselves or be considered as employees of Rowan University or DMAHS.
- **C. CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS ARE MANDATORY** for all non-university personnel performing work on the Rowan University Campus. Vendors, consultants, contractors and subcontractors are required to take all reasonable steps to assure that their employees do not represent a threat to the campus community. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in immediate termination of any award or contract.



- **D.** The proposer shall be solely responsible for all damage or unauthorized destruction to any Rowan University and DMAHS buildings, equipment, premises or facilities; lease, lent, or in the care, custody or control of the University or State.
- **E.** The Vendor shall remove from the Rowan University or DMAHS work place, any of its employees who are found to be unacceptable by the University. Such requests will not be unreasonable.
- **F.** At all times, vendor personnel shall be in professional attire with clear identification of the company's name, logo, and person's name.

## VII. PUBLIC SOLICITATION GENERAL

- A. Rowan University may need to issue one or more addenda related to this bid. Such addenda shall be added to the original bid document and posted at The Office of Contracting and Procurement(https://sites.rowan.edu/procurement/bids): It will be the responsibility of the prospective vendors and other interested parties to familiarize themselves with the website and visit it regularly during the bid process for updated information or addenda related to this bid.
- **B.** Short procedural inquiries may be accepted by telephone from the buyer noted for this project. However, oral explanations or instructions given over the telephone shall not be binding upon the University. Bidders shall not contact any person within the University directly, in person, or by telephone, other than the assigned buyer, concerning this project.
- **C.** If a joint venture is submitting a bid, the agreement between the parties relating to such joint venture shall be submitted with the joint venture's submission.
- **D.** Any modifications to the bid document prior to award may invalidate entire submission.
- **E.** The awarded vendor may not assign sell or sub-contract its obligations under the contract to any third party without prior approval in writing by the University.
- **F.** Rowan reserves the right to negotiate the terms and conditions of the contract to obtain the most advantageous situation for Rowan.
- **G.** Rowan reserves the right to suspend or terminate the procurement process described in this bid at any time (in its sole discretion). If terminated, Rowan may determine to commence a new procurement process or exercise any other rights provided under applicable law without any obligation to the Respondents.
- **H. Patents:** The Suppliers shall hold and save the University, its officers, agents, and employees harmless from liability of any nature or kind, including cost and expense for or on account of any patented or unpatented invention, article, or applicable manufacturer or use in materials and forms of construction as will satisfy the University's requirements.

# I. Submission as Public Information and Property of Rowan

Submissions will be held confidential during the bid process until such time as the final contract is executed, upon such time the bid submittals may be subject to the Open Public Records Act for non-propriety information. It is the responsibility of the prospective vendor to indicate what submitted information is proprietary.

- J. All submissions will become the property of Rowan.
- **K.** In submitting a bid, the Vendor agrees, unless specifically authorized in writing by an authorized representative of Rowan University on a case-by-case basis, that it shall have no right to use, and shall not use, the name of Rowan University, its officials or employees, or the Seal of the University:
  - 1. In any advertising, publicity, promotion.
  - 2. To express or imply any endorsement of agency's services;
  - **3.** To use the name of the State, its officials or employees or the University seal in any manner (whether similar to uses prohibited by (a) and (b) above) except only to manufacture and deliver in accordance with this agreement such services as are hereby contracted by the University.



- L. The preparation of a bid shall be at the expense of the respondent. Rowan University will not reimburse vendors for any costs associated with the preparation or submittal of a response.
- **M.** Rowan University does not allow payment of attorney fees for litigation regardless of disposition of matter.
- **N.** By responding to this bid, vendors acknowledge and consent to the conditions set forth herein relative to the submission, review and consideration of your response.
- **O.** Submissions which, in the sole judgment of Rowan, fail to meet the requirements of the bid or which are in any way conditional, incomplete, obscure, contain additions or deletions from requested information, or contain errors shall be rejected.
- **P.** Rowan University will not accept jurisdiction in any State except New Jersey.
- **Q.** The vendor shall be solely responsible for all damage or unauthorized destruction to any Rowan University buildings, equipment, premises or facilities; lease, lent, or in the care, custody or control of the University or State.
- **R.** Rowan University reserves the right to reject any or all submissions or to award in whole or in part if deemed in the best interest of the University to do so.
- **S.** This bid is not binding on the University.
- **T.** Protest of restrictive specifications or improprieties in the solicitation, by an interested party, must be received by the Procurement Department in writing not less than ten (10) working days before the closing date for receipt of submissions.
- **U.** The bidder is required to carefully examine the work proposed, the specifications and any drawings for the work, and to compute the quantities of labor or material entering therein, and to determine for himself, the difficulties incidental to the prosecution of the work, and the presentation of a bid shall be considered as conclusive evidence of such examination.
- **V.** Unless specifically noted within this bid, Rowan's Standard Terms and Conditions take precedence over any special terms and conditions contained in this bid.
- **W.** Bidders assume sole responsibility for the complete effort required in this bid. No special consideration shall be given after bids are opened because of a bidder's failure to be knowledgeable of all the requirements of this bid. By submitting a bid in response to this offering, the bidder represents that it has satisfied itself, from its own investigation, of all the requirements of this bid.
- **X.** Rowan University has the option, in its sole discretion, to reduce the scope of work after contract execution for any task or subtask called for under this contract in accordance with applicable law. In such an event, the Senior Director of Contracting and Procurement (Senior Director) shall provide advanced, written notice to the vendor.
  - 1. Upon receipt of such written notice, the vendor will submit, within five (5) working days to the Senior Director of Contracting & Procurement, an itemization of the work effort already completed by task or subtasks. The vendor shall be compensated for such work effort according to the applicable portions of its cost proposal.
- Y. The Senior Director may, for valid reason, issue a stop order directing the vendor to suspend work under the contract for a specific time. The vendor shall be paid until the effective date of the stop order. The vendor shall resume work upon the date specified in the stop order or upon such other date as the Senior Director may thereafter direct in writing. The period of suspension shall be deemed added to the vendor's approved schedule of performance. The Senior Director and the vendor shall negotiate an equitable adjustment, if any, to the contract price.
- **Z.** Rowan University reserves the right to cancel this contract with thirty (30) calendar days written notice to the vendor(s) with or without cause.
- **AA.** Rowan University reserves the right to procure any goods or services from third-party vendors at its sole discretion under this agreement. This right shall be exercisable without the need for justification and



- without any liability to the vendor. This clause is intended to ensure the financial prudence and flexibility of Rowan University in managing its procurement effectively.
- **BB.** No party, including any respondent to this bid, is granted any rights hereunder.
- **CC.** The bid submitted by the vendor shall be binding on the vendor.
- **DD.** Rowan University reserves the right to seek clarification and additional information at any point in connection with vendor information or other communication regarding this bid.

# IX. SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- **A.** Submissions should provide a straightforward and concise delineation of the respondent proposal and commitment to satisfy the requirements of the RFP.
- **B.** Vendor's submissions should include all information noted in the sections above and on the Required Procurement Documents page of this document as well as the following information.
- **C.** Proposals submitted in any other format other than as listed below will be considered informal and may be rejected.
- **D.** The RFP should be concise and shall be organized in a manner so the selection committee may quickly access pertinent information. Every effort should be made to avoid duplicating the information presented in the RFP.

#### 1. Transmittal Letter:

- **a.** Bid submissions must be accompanied by a transmittal letter not to exceed two (2) pages signed by a principal of the firm.
- 2. Capability Statement
- 3. Vendor's Experience and Key Personnel.
- 4. Hardware / Software Features, Functionality, and Professional Services.
- 5. Pricing Sheets
- **6. Required Procurement Documents & Bidder's Checklist:** All documents requested (**Page 2**), should be submitted in the listed order.
- **E.** Conditional proposals will not be considered.
- **F.** Proposals shall not contain URLs (Uniform Resource Locators) or web addresses. The internet contains dynamically changing content, inclusion of a URL or web address in a bid response is indicative of potentially changing information. Inclusion of a URL or web address in a bid response implies that the bid's content changes as the referenced web page changes. **Submissions will be accepted electronically unless otherwise outlined within the RFP.**
- **G.** Addenda: If applicable
- **H. Post Award:** Following the notification of award, Vendor(s) may receive a contract along with a request to review terms, deliverables, costs, and the University's expectations in general. You will be able to address any post award questions or concerns at this time. If you do not receive a contract within seven days, the RFP will act as the official contract.



# **Submission Instructions**

Rowan University accepts electronic bid submissions only. Electronic submissions are treated as original documents and will be considered the official documentation for evaluation and consideration by the University.

# ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO THIS OFFERING MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION.

BID SUBMISSION PORTAL

(Ctrl + Click to follow link)

# **Instructions:**

- 1. Select Bid Submission Portal link above.
- 2. You will be routed to the Bid Submission Portal.
- 3. You will be asked to provide the following:
  - a. Bid Number
  - b. Project Name
  - c. Company Name
  - d. Point of Contact
  - e. Point of Contact Email\* Email address should match Vendor Point of Contact listed on Proposal Page.
  - f. Submission Documents

DO NOT PROVIDE LINKS OR ANY EXTERNAL LOCATIONS FOR FILES TO BE DOWNLOADED OR RETRIEVED, THE UNIVERSITY WILL REJECT ANY SUBMISSIONS SENT IN THIS MANNER



## **Evaluation and Selection Criteria**

- An initial screening of all submissions will be conducted to determine overall responsiveness. Submissions determined to be incomplete or non-responsive may be disqualified, in accordance with applicable law.
- Selection of the awarded vendor(s) shall be based solely on the Review Committee's evaluation of the submissions and the criteria set forth above.
- Rowan reserves the right to interview the respondents.
- Rowan reserves the right to negotiate the terms and conditions of the contract to obtain the most advantageous situation for Rowan.
- Rowan reserves the right to suspend or terminate the procurement process described in this RFP at any time (in its sole discretion). If terminated, Rowan may determine to commence a new procurement process or exercise any other rights provided under applicable law without any obligation to the Respondents.
- Submission of a Proposal against this RFP is your acknowledgement that subjective criteria will be used in the evaluation of proposals. Award shall be made to the responsible proposer who is determined to be the most advantageous to the University.
- By responding to this RFP, vendors acknowledge and consent to the conditions set forth herein relative to the submission, review, and consideration of your response.

**Requests for Clarification by the University:** The University may request that proposer clarify any information contained in Proposal. Proposers are required to provide a written response within two (2) business days of receipt of any request for clarification by the University.

The award of this RFP will be based upon a review and analysis of all proposals to determine which proposal best meets the University's needs. The proposal will be scored based on the criteria outlined below.

# Vendors will be awarded points in the following categories:

Scoring Criteria	Weight
Capability Statement	0-25
Key Personnel & Experience	0-25
Hardware, Software Features, Functionality & Professional Services	0-25
Pricing	0-25



# **Pricing & Proposal Page**

The proposer states that they have carefully examined the specifications of having carefully examined the proposal documents and being familiar with the requirements therein, hereby submits their proposal to provide such services meeting the requirements outlined in this RFP.

Name	
Title	
Vendor Name	
Address	
Phone	
Email	
Signature	

Any and all changes made to this proposal page must be initialed and dated by the Proposer. No edit(s) will be accepted without Proposer's initials and date, next to all corrections.

#### **Vendor Point of Contact**

Provide the name and contact information of the individual within your firm that the University should contact regarding questions about your submission. The contact information should include the name of individual, telephone number, and e-mail address.

Point of Contact	
Phone	
Email	

# Please Indicate Which Specific Categories Your Firm Is Applying For:

Category	Yes / No
CATEGORY 1 - CISCO SYSTEMS: NETWORKING HARDWARE, TELECOMMUNICATIONS	
EQUIPMENT & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	
CATEGORY 2 - CITRIX SYSTEMS: APPLICATION AND DESKTOP VIRTUALIZATION, NETWORKING & CL	
COMPUTING TECHNOLOGIES	
CATEGORY 3 – ARUBA NETWORKS: NETWORKING, NETWORK MANAGEMENT, NETWORK SECURITY,	
ANALYTICS & SERVICE ASSURANCE, LOCATION BASED SERVICES & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	
CATEGORY 4 - HPE: SERVER & ENTERPRISE STORAGE HARDWARE, SOFTWARE & SERVICES	



# **Pricing & Proposal Page (continued)**

# **CATEGORY 1 - CISCO SYSTEMS:**

NETWORKING HARDWARE, TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				
	Category 1: Proposed Manufacturer	(Must be listed above)			
		Fixed-Percentage Discount Fixed-Percentage Disco			
#	Equipment Sub-Categories	off List from Manufact		off List from Vendor	
"	Equipment Sub-cutegories	to Vendor		Rowan	
1	General Minimum Discount		%		%
2	Switches		%		%
3	Routers		%		%
4	Wireless Controllers		%		%
5	Email Security Platform		%		%
6	Software-Defined Networking		%		%
7	Security		%		%
8	Wireless		%		%
9	Optical Networking		%		%
1	Sorvers Unified Computing				
0	Servers Unified Computing		%		%
1	Storage Networking				
1	Storage Networking		%		%
1	Universal Gateways		0/		0/
2	<u> </u>		%		%
1 3	Collaboration Endpoints		%		%
1			70		70
4	Cloud-Based Conferencing Services		%		%
1	Unified Communications				
5	Offined Communications		%		%
1	Cloud & Systems Manager				
6	•		%	• • •	%
#	Professional Services		Cost	: / %	
1	Design Services (per hour, Range)				\$
2	Installation Services (per hour, Range)				\$
3	On-Site Support Services (per hour, Range)				\$
4	Telephone Support Service (yearly cost, Range)				\$
5	Training Courses (percent-discount off MSRP,				0/
6	per class)  Managed Services (per hour, Range)				% ¢
6	9 4 5				\$
7	Fixed Percent Discount off Annual Support Cost				%



# **Pricing & Proposal Page (continued)**

# **CATEGORY 2 - CITRIX SYSTEMS:**

APPLICATION AND DESKTOP VIRTUALIZATION, NETWORKING & CLOUD COMPUTING TECHNOLOGIES

	Category 2: Proposed Manufacturer				
	Category 2. Proposed Manufacturer	(Must be listed		sted above)	
#	Equipment Sub-Categories	Fixed-Percent Discount off I from Manufacture Vendor	List	Fixed-Percent Discount off L from Vendor Rowan	ist
1	General Minimum Discount		%		%
2	Virtual Applications & Desktops		%		%
3	Endpoint Management		%		%
4	Virtual Networking		%		%
5	Load Balancing Hardware		%		%
6	Software		%		%
#	Professional Services	Cost / %			
1	Design Services (per hour, Range)				\$
2	Installation Services (per hour, Range)				\$
3	On-Site Support Services (per hour, Range)				\$
4	Telephone Support Service (yearly cost, Range)				\$
5	Training Courses (percent-discount off MSRP, per class)				%
6	Managed Services (per hour, Range)				\$
7	Fixed Percent Discount off Annual Support Cost				%



# **Pricing & Proposal Page (continued)**

# **CATEGORY 3 - ARUBA NETWORKS:**

NETWORKING, NETWORK MANAGEMENT, NETWORK SECURITY, ANALYTICS & SERVICE ASSURANCE, LOCATION BASED SERVICES & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

	EOCATION BASED SERVICES & FROI ESSIONAL SERVICES				
	Category 3: Proposed Manufacturer	(Mus	t be lis	ted above)	
#	Equipment Sub-Categories	Fixed-Percenta Discount off List f Manufacturer t Vendor	rom	Fixed-Percentage Discount off List from Vendor to Rowan	t
1	General Minimum Discount		%		%
2	Access Points		%		%
3	Switches		%		%
4	Wireless Controllers		%		%
5	Routers		%		%
6	Software		%		%
#	Professional Services	Cost / %			
1	Design Services (per hour, Range)				\$
2	Installation Services (per hour, Range)				\$
3	On-Site Support Services (per hour, Range)				\$
4	Telephone Support Service (yearly cost, Range)				\$
5	Training Courses (percent-discount off MSRP, per class)				%
6	Managed Services (per hour, Range)				\$
7	Fixed Percent Discount off Annual Support Cost				%

Fixed Percent Discount off Annual Support Cost

7



%

# **Pricing & Proposal Page (continued)**

#### **CATEGORY 4 - HPE:** SERVER & ENTERPRISE STORAGE HARDWARE, SOFTWARE & SERVICES **Category 2: Proposed Manufacturer** (Must be listed above) **Fixed-Percentage Fixed-Percentage Equipment Sub-Categories Discount off List from Discount off List from** # **Manufacturer to Vendor Vendor to Rowan** General Minimum Discount % % 1 2 Software % % 3 **Tape Drives** % % 4 Servers % % 5 Storage Hardware % % 6 Storage Networking % % # **Professional Services** Cost / % Design Services (per hour, Range) 1 \$ 2 Installation Services (per hour, Range) \$ \$ 3 On-Site Support Services (per hour, Range) \$ 4 Telephone Support Service (yearly cost, Range) 5 Training Courses (percent-discount off MSRP, per class) % 6 \$ Managed Services (per hour, Range)



#### **ROWAN UNIVERSITY TERMS & CONDITIONS**

#### I. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

The vendor expressly warrants that:

- **A.** The vendor has legal capacity to execute and perform any Agreement arising from this quote, contract, and/or public solicitation.
- **B.** The Agreement is valid, binding, and enforceable against the vendor according to its terms.
- **C.** The execution and performance of an agreement by the vendor does not, and will not, violate or conflict with the terms of any existing Agreement or understanding of which the vendor is a party.
- **D.** The execution and performance of an Agreement by the vendor does not, and will not, violate or conflict with any law, rule, regulation, judgment or order of any court or other adjudicative entity binding the vendor.
- **E.** The vendor knows of no reason why the vendor is in any way, physically, legally, or otherwise, precluded from performing the obligations under an Agreement arising from this bid, in accordance with its terms, including without limitation those relating to health and safety.
- **F.** Such warranties shall survive and shall not be deemed waived by delivery or acceptance of, or payment for the goods and services.

# II. GOVERNING LAW, JURISDICTION, ATTORNEY'S FEES

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey, without regard to any applicable conflict of laws provision. Vendor hereby irrevocably and unconditionally agrees that any suit, action or other legal proceeding arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, or the transactions contemplated hereby, shall be brought in the courts of record of the State of New Jersey or the courts of the United States located in said state, consents to the jurisdiction of each such court in any such suit, action or proceeding, and waives any objection to the venue of any such suit, action or proceeding in any of such courts. In the event a suit or action shall be instituted in connection with any controversy arising out of this Agreement, the prevailing Party shall be entitled to receive, in addition to its costs, all attorneys' fees, including attorneys' fees and costs upon appeal.

## III. DEFAULT

In case of failure to deliver goods or services in accordance with the contract(s) terms and conditions, Rowan University, after due oral or written notice, may procure substitute goods or service from other sources and hold the vendor(s) responsible for any resulting additional purchasing and administrative costs. This remedy shall be in addition to any other solution which Rowan University may have.

## IV. SALE OR BANKRUPTCY OF BUSINESS

- **A.** If during the life of this Agreement, the awarded vendor disposes of its business by sale, transfer, force of law or by any means to another party, all obligations are transferred to such purchaser. In this event, the new owner(s) may, in Rowan University' discretion, be required to submit a performance bond in the amount of the value of services to be delivered pursuant to this Agreement.
- **B.** In the event of the institution of any proceedings by or against the awarded vendor, voluntarily or involuntarily, in bankruptcy or insolvency, or under the provisions of the Federal Bankruptcy Act, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee or an assignee for the benefit of creditors of the property of the vendor, Rowan University shall have, in addition to the rights previously stated, the right to cancel this Agreement forthwith.



#### V. LIABILITIES

## A. LIABILITY COPYRIGHT

The vendor shall hold and save Rowan University and its officers, agents, students, servants, and employees, harmless from liability of any nature or kind for or on account of the use of any copyrighted or uncopyrighted composition, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, article or appliance furnished or used in the performance of his contract.

#### **B. INDEMNIFICATION**

Vendor agrees to indemnify, protect, save harmless, and defend Rowan University, its governors, officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all claims, losses, costs, damages, and expenses, including legal costs and attorney fees, and demands of any kind whatsoever, whether for bodily injury, including death, damage to property, including the loss of work performed by the Proposer, its agents or employees, alone or with others, or resulting from or arising out of services provided jointly by the Proposer, its agents or employees or servants.

- 1. Vendor shall reimburse, and make good to the University all monies, which the University or its representatives shall pay, or cause to be paid, or become liable to pay, by reason of such claims, or in connection with any litigation, investigation or other matters connected therewith.
- **2.** This indemnification obligation is not limited by but is in addition to the insurance obligations contained in this agreement.

## C. INSURANCE RFP

- 1. Vendor agrees to obtain and maintain, at its sole expense, the insurance coverage described below. All insurance must be placed with an insurance company licensed to conduct business in the State of New Jersey and maintaining an A.M Best Rating of "A" or better with a financial size rating of Class XI or larger. All insurance required herein shall be written on an Occurrence basis, unless otherwise noted, shall contain a waiver of subrogation in favor of Rowan University and the State of New Jersey, and will be in effect no later than 12:01 A.M. at the start of the day of the contract and must remain in effect for the duration of the contract, including any extensions.
- 2. The vendor agrees that no insurance policy will be cancelled, reduced, or revised without thirty (30) days prior written notice to Rowan University. In addition, required insurance will be primary to any other insurance available and any limitations of Vendor's insurance will not relieve the Vendor of its indemnification responsibilities to Rowan University and the State of New Jersey per Section VIII. Indemnity.
  - **a.** Insurance Required:
- 1. Workers' Compensation Insurance with statutory limits applicable to the laws of the State of New Jersey and any other State or Federal jurisdiction required to protect the employee of Vendor who will be engaged in the performance of work under this contract.
- **2.** Employers' Liability Protection with a limit of liability not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) bodily injury, each occurrence; one million dollars (\$1,000,000) disease, each employee; and one million dollars (\$1,000,000) disease, aggregate limit.
- 3. Commercial General Liability written on a current ISO Occurrence Form or equivalent. The General Liability policy will include, but not be limited to, coverage for bodily injury (including death) and property damage arising from premises and operations liability, products and completed operations liability, personal injury and advertising liability, sexual abuse and molestation, contractual liability, and fire legal liability. Vendor agrees to maintain the following general liability limits of coverage:

ne	occurrence	\$1,000,000
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• products/completed operations aggregate	\$3,000,000
personal and advertising injury	
• general aggregate.	

A "per location or Project endorsement" shall be included so that the general aggregate limit applies separately to the Rowan location or Project.

- **4.** Comprehensive Automobile Liability written on an occurrence basis covering owned, non-owned, and hired vehicles. The limits of liability shall not be less than a combined single limit of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence.
- **5.** Excess Liability, umbrella insurance, follow form, applying excess of the commercial general liability, commercial automobile liability and employer's liability insurance in minimum amounts of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence, one million dollars (\$1,000,000) general aggregate, and one million dollars (\$1,000,000) products/completed operations.
- **6.** Pollution Legal Liability insurance policy, if applicable to the services performed under this contract, in minimum amounts of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) per occurrence. If this policy is written on a claims-made policy form, Vendor agrees that upon termination of the claims-made policy a retroactive reporting policy (tail policy) will be purchased to provide coverage for losses that occurred during, or as a result of, the provision of Vendor's services under this contract, but are not discovered until after completion of services under this contract.
- 7. Professional (Errors & Omissions) Liability insurance, if applicable, in minimum amounts of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) per claim. If this policy is written on a claims-made policy form, Vendor agrees that upon termination of the claims-made policy a retroactive reporting policy (tail policy) will be purchased to provide coverage for losses that result from the professional services provided during the term of this contract regardless of when a claim is made.
- 8. Cyber Breach/Privacy Liability Insurance, providing coverage for 1) Privacy Liability, Network Security Liability, and Regulatory Liability; 2) Payment Card Industry (PCI) Fines, Penalties, and Assessments; 3) Breach Response Costs including Data Forensics, Public Relations, and Privacy Counsel, and 4) Notification, Credit Monitoring, and Identity Theft Restoration Costs. The limits of liability will be in minimum amounts of 15 million dollars (\$15,000,000). If this policy is written on a claims-made policy form, Vendor agrees that upon termination of the claims-made policy a retroactive reporting policy (tail policy) will be purchased to provide coverage for all claims received after the termination date of the claims-made policy.
- **A.** The General Liability, Automobile Liability and Pollution Legal Liability policies shall each name Rowan University and the State of New Jersey as additional insureds.
- **B.** Vendor shall bear all costs of all policy deductibles.
- **C.** Vendor may, if they so desire, include with their proposal the applicable certificates of insurance. This will expedite the contract award process for the awarded vendor.
- **D.** Within ten (10) days after receipt of notice of intent to award contract, and if applicable, annually thereafter until contract termination, Vendor will furnish Rowan University with Certificates of Insurance evidencing all required insurance.
  - 1. Certificates must evidence the Additional Insured language.
  - 2. Certificates will be submitted to the Senior Director of Contracting and Procurement, Rowan University, 201 Mullica Hill Road, Glassboro, NJ 08028.
- **E.** The awarded vendor shall assume all responsibility for its actions and those of anyone else working for it while engaged in or traveling to or from any activity connected with this agreement. The successful



proposer agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless Rowan University and its officers, agents, staff members and employees, from all actions, claims, and demands whatsoever that may be asserted by, or on behalf of anyone, against the University, its officers, agents, staff members and employees because or as a result of, any accident, injury or illness that may occur to or be sustained by any person, agency, or company that arises out of the activities conducted under this bid by the proposer, their employees or anyone acting on the proposer's behalf.

**F.** Rowan University, as a State funded University, will not indemnify vendors in any form.

#### VI. FORCE MAJEURE

- **A.** Neither Party will be liable for any failure or delay in performing an obligation under this Agreement that is due to any of the following causes, to the extent beyond its reasonable control: acts of God, accident, riots, war, terrorist act, epidemic, pandemic, quarantine, civil commotion, breakdown of communication facilities, breakdown of web host, breakdown of internet service provider, natural catastrophes, governmental acts or omissions, changes in laws or regulations, national strikes, fire, explosion, generalized lack of availability of raw materials or energy.
- **B.** For the avoidance of doubt, Force Majeure shall not include (a) financial distress nor the inability of either party to make a profit or avoid a financial loss, (b) changes in market prices or conditions, or (c) a party's financial inability to perform its obligations hereunder.

# VII. PAYMENT TERMS, SCHEDULE, & COMPENSATION

# A. PRICE FLUCTUATIONS DURING CONTRACT

All prices quoted shall be firm and not subject to increase during the period of the contract unless agreed to in writing by the University.

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

## **B. DELIVERY COSTS**

Unless noted otherwise in the specification, all prices for items in bid proposals are to be submitted F.O.B. Destination. Proposals submitted other than F.O.B. Destination may not be considered. Regardless of the method of quoting shipments, the vendors shall assume all liability and responsibility for the delivery of merchandise in good condition to the University unless otherwise specified. Unless otherwise specified, F.O.B. Destination does not cover "spotting" but does include delivery on the receiving platform of the University or the designated receiving points indicated on the Purchase Order. No additional charges will be allowed for any transportation costs resulting from partial shipments made a vendor's convenience when a single shipment is ordered. The weights and measures of the University shall govern.

**C. C.O.D. TERMS** Unless otherwise stated in the Request for Proposal, C.O.D. Terms are not acceptable as part of a bid proposal and are cause for automatic rejection of a bid.

# D. TAX CHARGES

The University is exempt from State sales or use taxes and Federal excise taxes. Tax charges must not be included in the vendor's price quotations. The State's Federal Excise Tax Exemption number is 22-75-0050K.

## **E. PAYMENT TO VENDORS**

Payments for goods and/or services purchased by the University will be made only against the Vendor's Invoice. The vendor's Invoice in duplicate together with original Bill of Lading, express receipt, and other related documentation must be sent to the University on the date of each delivery.

**F.** All cost will not exceed a total of agreed upon amount, inclusive of any reimbursable.



- **G.** All fees will be paid to Vendor within 30 days upon acceptance of the deliverable. Full completion is required for payment. No earnest money or partial or periodic payments will be made.
- **H.** All fees are to be considered 'all inclusive' and to be paid in the form of a University Check.
- **I.** Rowan University, unless specifically agreed upon within scope of contract, does not reimburse or pay for any of the travel or lodging needs of the contracted Vendor.

## J. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

The University's obligation to make payment under this contract is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds and receipt of revenues from which payment for contract purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the University or the State of New Jersey for payment of any money shall arise unless and until funds are appropriated each fiscal year to the using agency and made available through receipt of revenue.

# K. NEW JERSEY PROMPT PAYMENT ACT

The New Jersey Prompt Payment Act, N.J.S.A. 52:32-32 et seq., requires state agencies to pay for goods and services within 60 days of receipt and acceptance of goods and services.

## VIII. CASH DISCOUNTS

Cash discounts for periods of less than 10 days will not be considered as factors in the award of contracts for purposes of determining the University's compliance with any discount offered.

- **A.** A discount period shall commence on the day the University receives a properly executed Vendor's Invoice for products and services that have been duly accepted by the University in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications of the Contract/Purchase Order. If the invoice is received prior to delivery of the goods and services, the discount period begins with the acceptance of the goods or services.
- **B.** The date on the check issued by the University in payment of that invoice shall be deemed the date of the University's payment of that invoice.

## IX. TERMS GOVERNING ALL PUBLIC SOLICITATIONS ISSUED BY ROWAN UNIVERSITY'S

# A. CONTRACT AMOUNT

The estimated amount of the contract(s), as stated in Rowan University's Advertised Bid Proposal Form, shall not be construed as either the maximum or the minimum amount which the University shall be obligated to order as the result of this proposal, or any contract entered because of this proposal.

# **B. CONTRACT PERIOD AND EXTENSION OPTION**

If, in the opinion of the University's Purchasing Director, it is in the best interest of the University to extend any contracts entered as a result of this proposal for a period of all or any part of a year, the contractor will be so notified of the University's Purchasing Director intent at least 30 days prior to the expiration date of the existing contract. If the extension is acceptable to the contractor, at the original prices and on the original terms, notice will be given the contractor by the University's Purchasing Director in writing. In such cases a net Performance Bond must be submitted by the contractor on a pro rata basis of the original Performance Bond to cover the period of the extension, at the sole discretion of the University.

# C. UNIVERSITY RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS

The University reserves the right to reject any or all bids, or to award in whole or in part if deemed to be in the interest of the University. In the case of tie bids orders shall be awarded to the vendor or vendors best meeting all specifications and conditions.

# D. VENDOR RIGHT TO PROTEST-INTENT TO AWARD

Except in cases of emergency, bidders have the right to protest the University's proposed award of the contractor as announced in the notice of intent to award. Unless otherwise stated, a bidder's protest must be received no later than 48 hours after the date on the notice of intent to award. In cases of emergency,



the University may eliminate the right to protest. Bidder's protest must be in writing and delivered to the University's Purchasing Director. The protests much include the specific grounds for challenging the award. Within one week of receipt of the written protest, the University's Purchasing Director shall give written notification of the University's acceptance or rejection of the protest. In cases of rejection, the Bidder has the right to request a hearing. Such request must be made within 48 hours of the date of notice of rejection. If a hearing is requested, the University's Purchasing Director will schedule it and send written notice to the Bidder no later than one week prior to the date scheduled for the hearing. The University's approved hearing officer will preside at the hearing and may call any person he/she deems necessary to testify. Should the Bidder fail to attend, it shall be considered a retraction of his protest. The University's hearing officer shall render the University's decision within one week of the end of the hearing and give a written copy to the Bidder.

# **E. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT**

a. **Change of Circumstances**—Where circumstances and/or the needs of the University significantly change, or the contract is otherwise deemed no longer to be in the public interest, the University's Purchasing Director may terminate a contract entered as a result of this bid, upon no less than 30 days' notice to the vendor and an opportunity to respond.

#### b. For cause:

- a. Where a vendor fails to perform or comply with a contract and fails to respond or comply with the written complaint of the University Purchasing Director, the University Purchasing Director may terminate the contract upon 10 days' notice to the vendor with an opportunity to respond.
- b. Where a vendor continues to perform a contract poorly as demonstrated by formal complaints, late delivery, poor performance of service, short shipping, etc. so that the University Purchasing Director is repeatedly required to issue written complaints, the University Purchasing Director may terminate the contract upon 10 days' notice to the vendor with an opportunity to respond. In cases of emergency the University Purchasing Director may shorten the time periods of notification and may dispense with an opportunity to respond.

# F. SUBCONTRACTING OR ASSIGNMENT

The contract may not be sub-contracted or assigned by the contractor, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of the Rowan University Purchasing Director. Such consent, if granted, shall not relieve the contractor of any of his responsibilities under the contract. If bidder proposes to subcontract the services to be performed under the terms of the contract award, he shall state so in his bid and attach for approval a list of said subcontractors and an itemization of the services to be supplied by them. Nothing contained in the specifications shall be construed as creating any contractual relationship between any subcontractor and the University.

## G. PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE OF BIDDER

The bidder hereby certifies that: The equipment offered is standard new equipment and is the manufacturer's latest model in production with parts regularly used for the type of equipment offered, that such parts are all in production and not likely to be discontinued; also, that no attachment or part has been substituted or applied contrary to manufacturer's recommendations and standard practice.

- a. All equipment supplied to the University and operated by electrical current is UL listed.
- b. All new machines are to be guaranteed for a period of one year from time of delivery and/or installation and prompt service rendered without charge, regardless of geographic location.
- c. Sufficient quantities of parts necessary for proper service to equipment will be maintained at distribution points and service headquarters.



- d. Trained mechanics are regularly employed to make necessary repairs to equipment in the territory from which the service request might emanate within 48-hour period or within the time accepted as industry practice.
- e. The contractor shall immediately replace any material, which is rejected for failure to meet the requirements of the University.
- f. All services rendered to the University shall be performed in strict and full accordance with the specifications as agreed to in the contract. A service contract shall not be considered complete until final approval by the University is rendered. Payment to vendors for such services rendered may not be made until final University approval is given.

# H. DELIVERY GUARANTEES

Deliveries shall be made at such time and in such quantities as ordered in strict accordance with conditions contained in the proposal. The vendor shall be responsible for the delivery of material in first class condition to the University in accordance with good commercial practice. Items delivered must be strictly in accordance with bid specifications. **1.** In the event delivery of goods or services is not made within the number of days stipulated under the schedule defined in the specifications, the University may at its option obtain the material or service from any available source, the difference in price, if any, to be paid by the contractor failing to meet his commitments.

#### I. UNIVERSITY'S RIGHT TO INSPECT BIDDER'S FACILITIES

The University reserves the right to inspect the bidder's establishment before making an award.

# J. BID ACCEPTANCES AND REJECTIONS

Bids shall be automatically rejected for any of the following causes:

- **1.** No signature in the bid document.
- 2. Bids received after date and time specified on bid request form.
- **3.** Bid fails to provide price information.
- **4.** Failure to provide required security.
- **5.** Failure to attend a mandatory Bidder's conference or site inspection.
- **6.** Failure to initial any alteration of essential information such as price.
- 7. Essential information such as price and product description submitted only in pencil.
- **8.** Failure to comply with State of New Jersey Affirmative Action Guidelines promulgated pursuant to Chapter 127.P.L. 1975.



# TERMS & CONDITIONS: SPECIFIC TO NEW JERSEY STATE LAW REQUIRING MANDATORY COMPLIANCE BY ALL VENDORS

Rowan University is an agency of the State of New Jersey thus requiring University compliance with all State regulations. The statutes, laws or codes cited herein are available for review at the New Jersey State Library, 185 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey 08625.

Where conflict among the compliance requirements or with these specifications exists the most stringent requirements shall be utilized. The most recent edition of any relevant regulation, standard, document, or code shall be in effect.

It is agreed and understood that any contracts and/or orders placed as a result of this proposal shall be governed and construed and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be determined in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

## I. BUSINESS REGISTRATION

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44, the University is prohibited from entering into a contract with an entity unless the bidder and each subcontractor named in the proposal have a valid Business Registration Certificate on file with the Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services. A subcontractor named in a bid or other proposal shall provide a copy of its business registration to the bidder who shall provide it to the University.

- A. The contractor shall maintain and submit to the University a list of subcontractors and their addresses that may be updated from time to time with the prior written consent of the Director during the course of contract performance. The contractor shall submit to the University a complete and accurate list of all subcontractors used and their addresses before final payment is made under the contract.
- **B.** Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:49-4.1, a business organization that fails to provide a copy of a business registration, or that provides false business registration information, shall be liable for a penalty of \$25 for each day of violation, not to exceed \$50,000 for each business registration copy not properly provided under a contract with a contracting agency.
- C. The contractor and any subcontractor providing goods or performing services under the contract, and each of their affiliates, shall, during the term of the contract, collect and remit to the Director of the Division of Taxation in the Department of the Treasury, the Use Tax due pursuant to the Sales and Use Tax Act, P.L. 1966, c. 30 (N.J.S.A. 54:32B-1 et seq.) on all sales of tangible personal property delivered into the University. Any questions in this regard can be directed to the Division of Revenue at (609) 292-1730. Form NJ-REG can be filed online at <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/busregcert.shtml">http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/busregcert.shtml</a>.

## II. ANTI-DISCRIMINATION

All parties to any contract with the University agree not to discriminate in employment and agree to abide by all anti-discrimination laws including those contained within N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 through N.J.S.A. 10:2-4, N.J.S.A. 10:5-1 et seq. and N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 through 10:5-38, and all rules and regulations issued thereunder are hereby incorporated by reference. The agreement to abide by the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 through 10:5-38 include those provisions indicated for Goods, Professional Service and General Service Contracts (Exhibit A, attached) and Constructions Contracts (Exhibit B and Executive Order 151, August 28, 2009, attached) as appropriate.

**A.** The vendor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time.



#### III. PREVAILING WAGE ACT

The New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, N.J.S.A. 34: 11-56.25 et seq. is hereby made part of every contract entered into on behalf of the University, except those contracts which are not within the contemplation of the Act. The bidder's signature on this proposal is their guarantee that neither they nor any subcontractors they might employ to perform the work covered by this proposal has been suspended or debarred by the Commissioner, Department of Labor and Workforce Development for violation of the provisions of the Prevailing Wage Act and/or the Public Works Contractor Registration Acts; the bidder's signature on the proposal is also their guarantee that they and any subcontractors they might employ to perform the work covered by this proposal shall comply with the provisions of the Prevailing Wage and Public Works Contractor Registration Acts, where required.

# IV. CORPORATE AUTHORITY

It is required that all corporations be authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey. Corporations incorporated out of the State must file a Certificate of Authority with the Secretary of State, Department of State, State House, Trenton, New Jersey. Refer to N.J.S.A. Title 14A, Chapter 13.3.

#### V. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

The vendor must comply with all provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), P.L 101-336, in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 12101, et seq.

#### VI. MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES

The vendor must certify pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-12.2 that it either has no ongoing business activities in Northern Ireland and does not maintain a physical presence therein or that it will take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations it has in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride principles of nondiscrimination in employment as set forth in N.J.S.A. 52:18A-89.5 and in conformance with the United Kingdom's Fair Employment (Northern Ireland) Act of 1989, and permit independent monitoring of their compliance with those principles.

# VII. RIGHT TO AUDIT

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:44-2.2, Rowan University and the State, including the Office of the Comptroller, has the authority to audit or review contract records that are relevant records of private vendors or other persons entering into contracts with covered entities are subject to audit or review by OSC pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:15C-14(d).

#### VIII. MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

The vendor shall maintain records for products and/or services delivered against the contract for a period of five (5) years from the date of final payment unless otherwise specified in the bid. Such records shall be made available to the University and the State, including the Comptroller, for audit and review.

## IX. PAY TO PLAY PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 et seq. (P.L. 2005, c. 51), and specifically, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.21, it shall be a breach of the terms of the contract for the business entity to:

- **A.** Make or solicit a contribution in violation of the statute;
- **B.** Knowingly conceal or misrepresent a contribution given or received;
- **C.** Make or solicit contributions through intermediaries for the purpose of concealing or misrepresenting the source of the contribution;



- **D.** Make or solicit any contribution on the condition or with the agreement that it will be contributed to a campaign committee or any candidate of holder of the public office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor, or to any State or county party committee;
- **E.** Engage or employ a lobbyist or consultant with the intent or understanding that such lobbyist or consultant would make or solicit any contribution, which if made or solicited by the business entity itself, would subject that entity to the restrictions of the Legislation;
- **F.** Fund contributions made by third parties, including consultants, attorneys, family members, and employees;
- **G.** Engage in any exchange of contributions to circumvent the intent of the Legislation; or
- **H.** Directly or indirectly through or by any other person or means, do any act which would subject that entity to the restrictions of the Legislation.

# X. POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE

The vendor is advised of its responsibility to file an annual disclosure statement on political contributions with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC), pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.27 (P.L. 2005, c. 271, §3 as amended) if in a calendar year the contractor receives one (1) or more contracts valued at \$50,000.00 or more. It is the vendor's responsibility to determine if filing is necessary. Failure to file can result in the imposition of penalties by ELEC. Additional information about this requirement is available from ELEC by calling (888) 313-3532 or online at <a href="http://www.elec.state.nj.us/">http://www.elec.state.nj.us/</a>.

## XI. OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:24.2, in the event the vendor is a corporation, partnership or sole proprietorship, the vendor must disclose all corporate and non-corporate ownership interests greater than 10%.

## XII. STANDARDS PROHIBITING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The following prohibitions on vendor activities shall apply to all contracts or purchase agreements made with the University pursuant to Executive Order No. 189 (1988).

- **A.** No vendor shall pay, offer to pay, or agree to pay, either directly or indirectly, any fee, commission, compensation, gift, gratuity, or other thing of value of any kind to any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee, as defined by N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13b. and e., in the Department of the Treasury or any other agency with which such vendor transacts or offers or proposes to transact business, or to any member of the immediate family, as defined by N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13i., of any such officer or employee, or partnership, firm or corporation with which they are employed or associated, or in which such officer or employee has an interest within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 52: 13D-13g;
- **B.** The solicitation of any fee, commission, compensation, gift, gratuity or other thing of value by any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee from any State vendor shall be reported in writing forthwith by the vendor to the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General and the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards:
- c. No vendor may, directly or indirectly, undertake any private business, commercial or entrepreneurial relationship with, whether or not pursuant to employment, contract or other agreement, express or implied, or sell any interest in such vendor to, any University officer or employee, State officer or employee or special State officer or employee having any duties or responsibilities in connection with the purchase, acquisition or sale of any property or services by or to any State agency or any instrumentality thereof, or with any person, firm or entity with which he/she is employed or associated or in which he/she has an interest within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 52:130-13g. Any relationships subject to this provision shall be reported in writing forthwith to the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards, which may grant a waiver



- of this restriction upon application of a University officer or employee, State officer or employee or special State officer or employee upon a finding that the present or proposed relationship does not present the potential, actuality or appearance of a conflict of interest;
- D. No vendor shall influence, or attempt to influence or cause to be influenced, any University officer or employee, State officer or employee or special State officer or employee in his/her official capacity in any manner which might tend to impair the objectivity or independence of judgment of said officer or employee;
- **E.** No vendor shall cause or influence, or attempt to cause or influence, any University officer or employee, State officer or employee or special State officer or employee to use, or attempt to use, his/her official position to secure unwarranted privileges or advantages for the vendor or any other person; and
- F. The provisions cited above shall not be construed to prohibit a University officer or employee, State officer or employee or special State officer or employee from receiving gifts from or contracting with vendors under the same terms and conditions as are offered or made available to members of the general public subject to any guidelines the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards may promulgate under paragraph 3c of Executive Order No. 189.

# XIII. SET OFF AGAINST CONTRACT PAYMENT TAX

- Whenever any taxpayer under contract to provide goods or services to the State of New Jersey or its agencies or instrumentalities, and including the legislative and judicial branches of State government, or under contract for construction projects of the State of New Jersey or its agencies or instrumentalities, and including the legislative and judicial branches of State government, is entitled to payment for the goods or services or on that construction project and at the same time the taxpayer is indebted for any State tax, the Director of the Division of Taxation shall seek to set off so much of that payment as shall be necessary to satisfy the indebtedness. The director, in consultation with the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting in the Department of the Treasury, shall establish procedures and methods to effect a set-off. The director shall give notice of the set-off to the taxpayer, the provider of goods or services or the contractor or subcontractor of construction projects and provide an opportunity for a hearing within 30 days of such notice under the procedures for protests established under R.S.54:49-18, but no request for conference, protest, or subsequent appeal to the Tax Court from any protest under this section shall stay the collection of the indebtedness. No payment shall be made to the taxpayer, the provider of goods or services or the contractor or subcontractor of construction projects pending resolution of the indebtedness. Interest that may be payable by the State pursuant to P.L.1987, c.184 (C.52:32-32 et seq.), to the taxpayer, the provider of goods and services or the contractor or subcontractor of construction projects shall be stayed.
- **B.** The Department of the Treasury shall notify each provider of goods or services and contractor or subcontractor of a construction project under contract with the State, its agencies or instrumentalities in an amount of \$500,000 or greater on the effective date of P.L.1995, c.159 (C.54:49-19 et seq.) of the provisions of this section in writing within 30 days after its effective date. A contract entered into by the State, its agencies or instrumentalities with a provider of goods or services or a contractor or subcontractor of a construction project after the effective date of P.L.1995, c.159 (C.54:49-19 et seq.) shall contain a notice of the provisions in this section.

# XIV. CONTRACTS; WARRANTY; VIOLATION

Every contract or agreement negotiated, awarded or made pursuant to this act shall contain a suitable warranty by the contractor that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure such contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee,



except bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the contractor for the purpose of securing business, for the breach or violation of which warranty the State college shall have the right to annul such contract without liability or in its discretion to deduct from the contract price or consideration the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.

## XV. ANTIDISCRIMINATION PROVISIONS

Every contract for or on behalf of the State or any county or municipality or other political subdivision of the State, or any agency of or authority created by any of the foregoing, for the construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work or for the acquisition of materials, equipment, supplies or services shall contain provisions by which the contractor agrees that:

- **A.** In the hiring of persons for the performance of work under this contract or any subcontract hereunder, or for the procurement, manufacture, assembling or furnishing of any such materials, equipment, supplies or services to be acquired under this contract, no contractor, nor any person acting on behalf of such contractor or subcontractor, shall, by reason of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, gender identity or expression, affectional or sexual orientation or sex, discriminate against any person who is qualified and available to perform the work to which the employment relates;
- **B.** No contractor, subcontractor, nor any person on his behalf shall, in any manner, discriminate against or intimidate any employee engaged in the performance of work under this contract or any subcontract hereunder, or engaged in the procurement, manufacture, assembling or furnishing of any such materials, equipment, supplies or services to be acquired under such contract, on account of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, gender identity or expression, affectional or sexual orientation or sex;
- **C.** There may be deducted from the amount payable to the contractor by the contracting public agency, under this contract, a penalty of \$50.00 for each person for each calendar day during which such person is discriminated against or intimidated in violation of the provisions of the contract; and
- **D.** This contract may be canceled or terminated by the contracting public agency, and all money due or to become due hereunder may be forfeited, for any violation of this section of the contract occurring after notice to the contractor from the contracting public agency of any prior violation of this section of the contract.
- **E.** No provision in this section shall be construed to prevent a board of education from designating that a contract, subcontract or other means of procurement of goods, services, equipment or construction shall be awarded to a small business enterprise, minority business enterprise or a women's business enterprise pursuant to P.L.1985, c.490 (C.18A:18A-51 et seq.).
- XVI. Pursuant to Executive Order No. 166, signed by Governor Murphy on July 17, 2020, the Office of the State Comptroller is required to make all approved State contracts for the allocation and expenditure of COVID-19 Recovery Funds available to the public by posting such contracts on a State website. Such contracts will be posted on the New Jersey transparency website developed by the Governor's Disaster Recovery Office (GDRO Transparency Website). Accordingly, the OSC will post a copy of the Contract, including the winning Bidder's proposal and other related Contract documents for the above Contract on the GDRO Transparency website.

## XVII. DIANE B. ALLEN EQUAL PAY ACT

**A.** Any employer, regardless of the location of the employer, who enters into a contract with a public body to provide qualifying services to the public body shall provide a report to the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development, in a form issued by regulation promulgated by the commissioner, of information regarding the compensation and hours worked by employees categorized by gender, race, ethnicity, and



job category. Data regarding compensation and hours worked by employees shall be reported in the form by pay bands to be established by regulation promulgated by the commissioner. The commissioner may establish a standard presumption for the number of hours worked by a fulltime employee or by a part-time employee for whom an employer does not track actual hours worked. An employer shall provide a report for each establishment of the employer.

- **B.** Any employer, regardless of the location of the employer, who enters into a contract with a public body to perform any public work for the public body shall provide to the commissioner, through certified payroll records required pursuant to P.L.1963, c.150 (C. 34:11-56.25 et seq.), information regarding the gender, race, job title, occupational category, and rate of total compensation of every employee of the employer employed in the State in connection with the contract. The employer shall provide the commissioner, throughout the duration of the contract or contracts, with an update to the information whenever payroll records are required to be submitted pursuant to P.L.1963, c.150 (C. 34:11-56.25 et seq.).
- **C.** The commissioner shall retain the information provided by the employer during any period of time that one or more contracts are in effect between the employer and any public body and not less than five years after the end of that period. The retained employment information shall be made available by the commissioner to the Division on Civil Rights in the Department of Law and Public Safety, and, upon request, provided to anyone who is or was an employee of the employer during the period of any of the contracts between the employer and any public body, or any authorized representative of the employee.
- **D.** For the purposes of the section:
  - 1. "Public body" means the State or any agency or instrumentality of the State;
  - 2. "Public work" means public work as defined in section 2 of P.L.1963, c.150 (C. 34:11-56.26) and which is subject to the provisions of P.L.1963, c.150 (C. 34:11-56.25 et seq.). Public work shall not include the provision of goods or products.
  - **3.** "Qualifying services" means the provision of any service to the State or to any other public body, except for public work as defined in section 2 of P.L.1963, c.150 (C. 34:11-56.26).
  - **4.** "Service" means any act performed in exchange for payment, including the provision of professional services, but shall not include the sale of goods or product



# TERMS & CONDITIONS SPECIFIC TO NEW JERSEY STATE LAW REQUIRING MANDATORY COMPLIANCE BY CONTRACTORS UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES SET FORTH IN LAW OR BASED ON THE TYPE OF CONTRACT

## I. COMPLIANCE CODES

The contractor must comply with NJUCC and the latest NEC70, B.O.C.A. Basic Building code, OSHA and all applicable codes for this requirement. The contractor shall be responsible for securing and paying all necessary permits, where applicable.

#### II. PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION ACT

The New Jersey Public Works Contractor Registration Act requires all contractors, subcontractors and lower tier subcontractor(s) who engage in any contract for public work as defined in N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.26 be first registered with the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development pursuant to N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.51. Any questions regarding the registration process should be directed to the Division of Wage and Hour Compliance at (609) 292-9464.

# III. BUILDING SERVICE

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.58 et seq., in any contract for building services, as defined in N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.59, the employees of the contractor or subcontractors shall be paid prevailing wage for building services rates, as defined in N.J.S.A. 34:11.56.59. The prevailing wage shall be adjusted annually during the term of the contract.

## IV. THE WORKER AND COMMUNITY RIGHT TO KNOW ACT

The provisions of N.J.S.A. 34:5A-1 et seq. which require the labeling of all containers of hazardous substances are applicable to this contract. Therefore, all goods offered for purchase to the University must be labeled by the contractor in compliance with the provisions of the statute.

## V. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

REFERENCES: 29 CFR 1910, SUBPART H AND PART .1200 NJAC TITLE 9, Chapter 59 et. Al.

- **a.** All hazardous materials used on the campus by any contractor are required to have a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDA) filed with the Safety Office.
- **b.** All hazardous materials left on-site and not consumed or used by the end of the daily work shift by a contractor's crew must be labeled and marked in accordance with the appropriate sections of the New Jersey Worker and Community Right- to-Know Act. Page 5 of 11 Last Revision 11.1.2023
- **c.** In summary, this act required labels identifying the top five constituents of a product, hazardous or non-hazardous, by common chemical name and Chemical Abstract Service (CAS) Number.
- **d.** Most products manufactured or packaged outside of New Jersey do not meet this requirement without additional action on the part of the end item user or consumer.
- e. All requirements of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) as outlined in 40 CFR must also be complied with. STORAGE ON SITE/CAMPUS: All hazardous materials stored on site or on campus must be secured to prevent unauthorized use or contact with campus affiliates or the general public. In addition, all stoppage must meet the technical requirements of the NJ DEP or DCA, or the University; whichever is more stringent.
- **f. DISPOSAL:** All contractor owned or furnished residue or surplus hazardous material must be removed from the campus immediately after being classified as "waste", or when they are no longer usable for the project they were brought on to the campus to support. The University will not accept any hazardous materials for disposal or storage for any reason at any time from any contractor.
- g. For additional information contact University Safety Office.



## VI. SERVICE PERFORMANCE WITHIN U.S.

Under N.J.S.A. 52:34-13.2, all contracts primarily for services awarded by the Senior Director of Contracting and Procurement shall be performed within the United States, except when the Senior Director of Contracting and Procurement certifies in writing a finding that a required service cannot be provided by a contractor or subcontractor within the United States and the certification is approved by the New Jersey State Treasurer.

**A.** A shift to performance of services outside the United States during the term of the contract shall be deemed a breach of contract. If, during the term of the contract, the contractor or subcontractor, proceeds to shift the performance of any of the services outside the United States, the contractor shall be deemed to be in breach of its contract, which contract shall be subject to termination for cause pursuant to of the Terms and Conditions provided, unless previously approved by the Senior Director of Contracting and Procurement and the State Treasurer.



# TERMS & CONDITIONS SPECIFICALLY RELATED TO ALL CONTRACTS FUNDED, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, BY FEDERAL FUNDS

The provisions set forth in the following section applies to all contracts funded, in whole or in part, by Federal funds as required by 2 CFR 200.317.

# I. <u>CONTRACTING WITH SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESSES, WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES, AND LABOR SURPLUS AREA FIRMS.</u>

Pursuant to 2 CFR 200.321, the State must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible. Accordingly, if subawards are to be made the Contractor shall:

- **A.** Include qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
- **B.** Assure that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
- **C.** Divide total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
- **D.** Establish delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises; and,
- **E.** Use the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.

# **II. DOMESTIC PREFERENCE FOR PROCUREMENTS**

Pursuant to 2 CFR 200.322, where appropriate, the State has a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). If subawards are to be made the Contractor shall include a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). For purposes of this section:

- **A.** "Produced in the United States" means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.
- **B.** "Manufactured products" means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of nonferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

#### III. PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS

To the extent that the scope of work or specifications in the contract requires the contractor to provide any of the following items, this section modifies the terms of the scope of work or specification.

Pursuant to 2 CFR 200.322, the vendor must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. § 6962. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR Part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$ 10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$ 10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.



- **A.** Designated items are those set forth in 40 CFR 247 subpart B, as may be amended from time to time, including:
  - **1.** Paper and paper products listed in 40 C.F.R. 247.10;
  - 2. Certain vehicular products as listed in 40 CFR 247.11;
  - **3.** Certain construction products listed in 40 C.F.R. 247.12;
  - **4.** Certain transportation products listed in 40 C.F.R. 247.13;
  - **5.** Certain park and recreation products, 40 C.F.R. 247.14;
  - **6.** Certain landscaping products listed in 40 C.F.R. 247.15;
  - 7. Certain non-paper office products listed in 40 C.F.R. 247.16; and
  - 8. Other miscellaneous products listed in 40 C.F.R. 247.17.
- **B.** As defined in 40 CFR 247.3, "recovered material" means:
  - 1. Waste materials and byproducts which have been recovered or diverted from solid waste, but such term does not include those materials and byproducts generated from, and commonly reused within, an original manufacturing process; and
  - **2.** For purposes of purchasing paper and paper products, means waste material and byproducts that have been recovered or diverted from solid waste, but such term does not include those materials and byproducts generated from, and commonly reused within, an original manufacturing process. In the case of paper and paper products, the term recovered materials includes:
    - a. Postconsumer materials such as -
      - Paper, paperboard, and fibrous wastes from retail stores, office buildings, homes, and so forth, after they have passed through their end-usage as a consumer item, including: used corrugated boxes; old newspapers; old magazines; mixed waste paper; tabulating cards; and used cordage; and
      - All paper, paperboard, and fibrous wastes that enter and are collected from municipal solid waste, and
    - **b.** Manufacturing, forest residues, and other wastes such as --
      - Dry paper and paperboard waste generated after completion of the papermaking process (that
        is, those manufacturing operations up to and including the cutting and trimming of the paper
        machine reel in smaller rolls of rough sheets) including: envelope cuttings, bindery trimmings,
        and other paper and paperboard waste, resulting from printing, cutting, forming, and other
        converting operations; bag, box, and carton manufacturing wastes; and butt rolls, mill wrappers,
        and rejected unused stock; and
      - Finished paper and paperboard from obsolete inventories of paper and paperboard manufacturers, merchants, wholesalers, dealers, printers, converters, or others;
      - Fibrous byproducts of harvesting, manufacturing, extractive, or wood-cutting processes, flax, straw, linters, bagasse, slash, and other forest residues;
      - Wastes generated by the conversion of goods made from fibrous material (that is, waste rope from cordage manufacture, textile mill waste, and cuttings); and
      - Fibers recovered from waste water which otherwise would enter the waste stream.
  - **3.** For contracts in an amount greater than \$ 100,000, at the beginning of each contract year, contractor shall provide the State estimates of the total percentage of recovered material utilized in the performance of its contract for each of the categories listed in the subsections above. For all contracts subject to this section, at the conclusion of each contract year, contractor shall certify to the State the minimum recovered material content actually utilized in the prior contract year.



## **IV. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity" (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor."

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

- **A.** The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor 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, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:
  - 1. Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
- **B.** The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
- C. The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.
- **D.** The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he/she has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- **E.** The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- **F.** The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his/her books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- **G.** In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246



of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

- **H.** The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:
  - 1. Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.
  - 2. The applicant further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work: Provided, That if the applicant so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract.
  - 3. The applicant agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency's primary responsibility for securing compliance.
  - 4. The applicant further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the applicant agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the applicant under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such applicant; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

# V. DAVIS-BACON ACT, 40 U.S.C. 3141-3148, AS AMENDED

When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction"). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non-Federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the



Federal awarding agency. The contracts must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.

# VI. COPELAND ANTI\_KICK-BACK ACT

Where applicable, the Contractor must comply with Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States").

- **A.** Contractor. The Contractor shall comply with 18 U.S.C. § 874, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 3 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into the OGS centralized contract.
- **B.** Subcontracts. The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clause above and such other clauses as FEMA may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all of these contract clauses.
- **C.** Breach. A breach of the clauses above may be grounds for termination of the OGS centralized contract, and for debarment as a Contractor and subcontractor as provided in 29 C.F.R. § 5.12.

# VII. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT, 40 U.S.C. 3701-3708

Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$ 100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.

# VIII. RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS MADE UNDER A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT

If the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 CFR § 401.2 (a) and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.



# IX. CLEAN AIR ACT, 42 U.S.C. 7401-7671Q, AND THE FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT, 33 U.S.C. 1251-1387, AS AMENDED

Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$ 150,000 must contain a provision that requires the non-Federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

## X. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION (EXECUTIVE ORDERS 12549 AND 12689)

A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the government wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.

## XI. BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT, 31 U.S.C. 1352

Contractors that apply or bid for an award exceeding \$ 100,000 must file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award.

# XII. PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT

**A.** Recipients and subrecipients are prohibited from obligating or expending loan or grant funds to:

- 1. Procure or obtain;
- 2. Extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain; or
- 3. Enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain equipment, services, or systems that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. As described in Public Law 115–232, section 889, covered telecommunications equipment is telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
  - **a.** For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
  - **b.** Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment.
  - **c.** Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.