STATE OF ALASKA INVITATION TO BID (ITB)



ITB 2025-1000-0108 AVIATION TANKER BASE ELECTRICAL PUMP UNITS

ISSUED OCTOBER 3, 2024

IMPORTANT NOTICE: If you received this solicitation from the State of Alaska's "Online Public Notice" web site, you must register with the Procurement Officer listed below in order to receive notification of subsequent amendments to the solicitation. Failure to register with the Procurement Officer may result in the rejection of your offer.

BIDDER'S NOTICE: By signature on this form, the bidder certifies that they comply with the following:

(1) the bidder has a valid Alaska business license or will obtain one prior to award of any contract resulting from this ITB. If the bidder possesses

a valid Alaska business license, the license number must be written below or one the following forms of evidence submitted with the bid:

- a canceled check for the business license fee;
- a copy of the business license application with a receipt date stamp from the State's business license office;
- a receipt from the State's business license office for the license fee;
- a copy of the bidder's valid business license;
- a sworn notarized affidavit that the bidder has applied and paid for a business license;

(2) the price(s) submitted was arrived at independently and without collusion, under penalty of perjury, and that the bidder is complying with:

- the laws of the State of Alaska;
- the applicable portion of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964;
- the Equal Employment Opportunity Act and the regulations issued thereunder by the federal and state government;
- the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the regulations issued thereunder by the federal and state government;
- the bid will remain open and valid for at least 90 days;
- all terms and conditions set out in this Invitation to Bid (ITB).

If a bidder does not hold an Alaska Business License (1) at the time designated in the ITB for opening the State will disallow the Alaska Bidder Preference. Bids must also be submitted under the name as appearing on the bidder's current Alaska business license in order to receive the Alaska Bidder Preference. If a bidder fails to comply with (2) of this paragraph, the State may reject the bid, terminate the contract, or consider the Contractor in default.

NAME MADELYN F. LOWE	COMPANY SUBMITTING BID	*DOES YOUR BUSINESS QUALIFY FOR THE ALASKA BIDDER'S PREFERENCE? [_] YES [_] NO
Phone: 1 (907) 761-6357 – TDD/TTY: 711 (Alaska Relay)	AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	_ *DOES YOUR BUSINESS QUALIFY FOR THE ALASKA VETERAN PREFERENCE? [] YES [] NO
-	PRINTED NAME	*SEE ITB FOR EXPLANATION OF CRITERIA TO QUALIFY
Email: madelyn.lowe@alaska.gov	DATE	TELEPHONE NUMBER
ALASKA BUSINESS LICENSE NUMBER	VENDOR CUSTOMER NUMBER	E-MAIL ADDRESS

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SECTION 1. INTRODUCTION & INSTRUCTIONS

SEC. 1.01 PURPOSE OF THE ITB

The Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry & Fire Protection (DOF), is soliciting bids for seven (7) new electric pump units to support the modernization of its tanker bases across the state. Currently, the division relies on gas and diesel-powered pumps, which have been in service for 30 to 50 years, to load fire retardant into air tankers. These aging units are becoming increasingly difficult to maintain due to the unavailability of replacement parts.

To align with industry standards and reduce the maintenance burden on staff, DOF is seeking to procure electric-powered pumps. These new units will enhance the reliability and efficiency of operations, ensuring the timely delivery of fire retardant to ongoing wildfires throughout the state. Through this solicitation, the Division aims to acquire equipment that meets or exceeds current industry standards, supporting the division's ongoing commitment to modernizing its facilities.

SEC. 1.02 BUDGET

The Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry & Fire Protection, estimates a budget of between **\$175,000.00** and **\$275,000.00** dollars for this contract. Bids priced at more than **\$275,000.00** will be considered non-responsive.

Payment for the contract is subject to funds already appropriated and identified.

SEC. 1.03 DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF BIDS

Bids must be received no later than **2:00 PM** Alaska Time on **October 9th, 2024**, at which time they will be publicly opened. Late bids or amendments will be considered non-responsive and will not be opened or accepted for evaluation.

SEC. 1.04 PRIOR EXPERIENCE

No specific minimums have been set for this ITB.

SEC. 1.05 INVITATION TO BID (ITB) REVIEW

Bidders shall carefully review this ITB for defects and questionable or objectionable material. Comments concerning defects and questionable or objectionable material in the ITB should be made in writing and received by the Procurement Officer at least 10 days before the bid opening date. This will allow time for an amendment to be issued if one is required. It will also help prevent the opening of a defective bid, upon which the award cannot be made, and the resultant exposure of bidders' prices.

SEC. 1.06 QUESTIONS PRIOR TO DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF BIDS

All questions must be in writing and directed to the Procurement Officer. The interested party must confirm telephone conversations in writing. Two types of questions generally arise. One may be answered by directing the questioner to a specific section of the ITB. These questions may be

answered over the telephone. Other questions may be more complex and may require a written amendment to the ITB. The Procurement Officer will make that decision.

Deadline to receive questions is **September 29, 2024**, by **2:00 PM** Alaska Time.

Procurement Officer: MADELYN F. LOWE; – PHONE: 1 (907) 761-6357; TDD/TTY: 711 (Alaska Relay); Email: <u>madelyn.lowe@alaska.gov</u>

SEC. 1.07 SITE INSPECTION

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 1.08 SUBMITTING BIDS

If submitting a bid via email, the Bid Schedule must be saved as a PDF document and emailed to <u>madelyn.lowe@alaska.gov</u>. The PDF document must be clearly labeled such as "Vendor A – Bid Schedule.pdf" (Vendor A is the name of the bidder). The email must contain the ITB number in the subject line.

The **maximum** size of a single email (including all text and attachments) that can be received by the State is **20mb (megabytes)**. If the email containing the bid exceeds this size, the bid must be sent in multiple emails that are each less than 20 megabytes and each email must comply with the requirements described above.

Please note that email transmission is not instantaneous. Similar to sending a hard copy bid, if you are emailing your bid, the State recommends sending it enough ahead of time to ensure the email is delivered by the deadline for receipt of bid.

If submitting bids using U.S. mail, or delivery service, bidders must submit one hard copy of their bid, in writing, to the Procurement Officer in a sealed package. The sealed bid package must be addressed as follows:

Department of Natural Resources Division of Forestry & Fire Protection Attention: MADELYN F. LOWE Invitation to Bid (ITB) Number: 2025-1000-0108 ITB Title: *Aviation Tanker Base Electrical Pump Units* 101 Airport Road Palmer, Alaska 99645

It is the bidder's responsibility to contact the issuing agency at **1 (907) 761-6357** or <u>madelyn.lowe@alaska.gov</u> to confirm that the bid has been received. The State is not responsible for unreadable, corrupt, or missing attachments.

SEC. 1.09 ENROLLMENT IN IRIS

Bidders will be required to be enrolled in the State of Alaska's Integrated Resource Information System (IRIS) database prior to the award of a contract resulting from this ITB. Enrollment can be done online at the following link: <u>https://iris-vss.alaska.gov</u>. Bidders who are not enrolled prior to the award of a contract will be notified by the Procurement Officer. Failure of a bidder to enroll in the IRIS database will delay award of the contract and may delay issuance of contract work.

SEC. 1.10 ASSISTANCE TO BIDDERS WITH A DISABILITY

Bidders with a disability may receive accommodation regarding the means of communicating this ITB or participating in the procurement process. For more information, contact the Procurement Officer no later than 10 days prior to the deadline for receipt of bids.

SEC. 1.11 AMENDMENTS TO BIDS

Amendments to or withdrawals of bids will only be allowed if acceptable requests are received prior to the deadline that is set for receipt of bids, in accordance with 2 AAC 12.140. No amendments or withdrawals will be accepted after the deadline unless the delay is due to an error by the contracting agency, in accordance with 2 AAC 12.160.

SEC. 1.12 AMENDMENTS TO THE ITB

If an amendment is issued, it will be provided to all who were notified of the ITB and to those who have registered with the Procurement Officer after receiving the ITB from the State of Alaska Online Public Notice website.

SEC. 1.13 ITB SCHEDULE

The ITB schedule set out herein represents the State of Alaska's best estimate of the schedule that will be followed. If a component of this schedule, such as the deadline for receipt of bids, is delayed, the rest of the schedule may be shifted accordingly. All times are Alaska Time.

ACTIVITY	TIME	DATE
Issue Date / ITB Released	N/A	September 18, 2024
Deadline for Receipt of Questions	2:00 PM	September 28, 2024
Deadline for Receipt of Bids / Bid Due Date	2:00 PM	October 9, 2024
ANTICIPATED Bid Evaluations Complete	Week of	October 9, 2024
ANTICIPATED Notice of Intent to Award	Week of	October 14, 2024
ANTICIAPTED Contract Issued	Week of	October 21, 2024

This ITB does not, by itself, obligate the State. The State's obligation will commence when the contract is approved by the Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources, or the Commissioner's designee. Upon written notice to the Contractor, the State may set a different starting date for the contract. The State will not be responsible for any work done by the Contractor, even work done in good faith, if it occurs prior to the contract start date set by the State.

SEC. 1.14 PRE-BID CONFERENCE

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 1.15 ALTERNATE BIDS

Bidders may only submit one bid for evaluation. In accordance with 2 AAC 12.830 alternate bids (bids that offer something different than what is asked for) will be rejected.

SEC. 1.16 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Bidders shall submit all required technical, specification, and other supporting information with their bid, so that a detailed analysis and determination can be made by the Procurement Officer that the product offered meets the ITB specifications and that other requirements of the ITB have been met. However, provided a bid meets the requirements for a definite, firm, unqualified, and unconditional offer, the State reserves the right to request supplemental information from the bidder, after the bids have been opened, to ensure that the products or services offered completely meet the ITB requirements. The requirement for such supplemental information will be at the reasonable discretion of the State and may include the requirement that a bidder provide a sample product(s) so that the State can make a first-hand examination and determination.

A bidder's failure to provide this supplemental information or the product sample(s), within the time set by the State, will cause the State to consider the offer non-responsive and reject the bid.

SEC. 1.17 FIRM, UNQUALIFIED, AND UNCONDITIONAL OFFER

Bidders must provide enough information with their bid to constitute a definite, firm, unqualified and unconditional offer. To be responsive a bid must constitute a definite, firm, unqualified and unconditional offer to meet all the material terms of the ITB. Material terms are those that could affect the price, quantity, quality, or delivery. Also included as material terms are those which are clearly identified in the ITB and which, for reasons of policy, must be complied with at risk of bid rejection for non-responsiveness.

SECTION 2. SCOPE OF WORK AND CONTRACT INFORMATION

SEC. 2.01 SCOPE OF WORK AND SPECIFICATIONS

The Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry & Fire Protection (DOF), is seeking a vendor to build seven (7) electric-powered pump units to replace the current aging gas and diesel-powered pumps. These new units are intended to improve the efficiency and reliability of loading fire retardant into air tankers across multiple tanker bases, enhancing the division's readiness for wildfire suppression.

The new pump units will be shipped to the following location:

Palmer Tanker Base – 101 Airport Road, Palmer, Alaska 99645

Pump Specifications:

- **Pump Type:** 4x4 Self-Priming Centrifugal Pump
- **Operating Range:** 450 GPM (Standard), 900 GPM (Maximum Flow)
- Max Head: 250 feet
- Volute Construction: Ductile Iron
- Impeller Construction: CA6NM Stainless Steel
- Bearing Frame: Horizontal (Bare Shaft) Oil Lubricated
- Seal Type: Run Dry Mechanical Seal
- Volute Suction: End Suction
- Volute Discharge: Top Horizontal
- Fittings: Camlock Fittings for Intake and Discharge

Motor Specifications:

- **Power Requirement:** 30-50 HP Sealed Electric Motor
- Voltage/Phase/Hz: 230/460V, 3 Phase, 60 Hz
- **Motor Drive:** Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) capable For precise motor speed control and performance optimization, providing energy savings and operational flexibility.

Package Specifications:

- **Mounting:** Skid Mounted (Standalone Unit)
- Assembly: The entire package must be fully assembled, primed, and painted prior to shipment.

Miscellaneous:

• Additional Inclusions: Flanges and Camlock Fittings for both intake and discharge are required to be included in the package.

The selected vendor will be responsible for delivering fully assembled, tested, and operational pump units to the designated tanker base.

SEC. 2.02 CONTRACT TERM

The length of the contract will be from the date of award, approximately October 10, 2024, for approximately **6 months** until completion.

SEC. 2.03 CONTRACT TYPE

This contract is a firm fixed price contract.

SEC. 2.04 PAYMENT FOR STATE PURCHASES

No payment will be made until the contract is approved by the Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources or the Commissioner's designee. Under no conditions will the State be liable for the payment of any interest charges associated with the cost of the contract. The State is not responsible for and will not pay federal, state, or local taxes. All costs associated with the contract must be stated in U.S. currency.

Payment for agreements under \$500,000.00 for the undisputed purchase of goods or services provided to a State agency, will be made within 30 days of the receipt of a proper billing or the delivery of the goods or services to the location(s) specified in the agreement, whichever is later. A late payment is subject to 1.5% interest per month on the unpaid balance. Interest will not be paid if there is a dispute or if there is an agreement that establishes a lower interest rate or precludes the charging of interest.

Any single contract payments of \$1 million or higher must be accepted by the Contractor via Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT).

SEC. 2.05 PROMPT PAYMENT FOR STATE PURCHASES

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 2.06 CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

The administration of this contract is the responsibility of the Procurement Officer or person appointed by the Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry & Fire Protection.

SEC. 2.07 CONTRACT PRICE ADJUSTMENTS

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 2.08 CONTRACT PERFORMANCE LOCATION

The State **WILL NOT** provide workspace for the Contractor. The Contractor must provide its own workspace.

By signature on their bid, the bidder certifies that all services provided under this contract by the Contractor and all subcontractors shall be performed in the United States.

If the bidder cannot certify that all work will be performed in the United States, the bidder must contact the Procurement Officer in writing to request a waiver at least 10 days prior to the deadline for receipt of bids.

The request must include a detailed description of the portion of work that will be performed outside the United States, where, by whom, and the reason the waiver is necessary.

Failure to comply with these requirements may cause the State to reject the bid as non-responsive or cancel the contract.

SEC. 2.09 THIRD-PARTY FINANCING AGREEMENTS NOT ALLOWED

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 2.10 SUBCONTRACTORS

Subcontractors will not be allowed.

SEC. 2.11 JOINT VENTURES

Joint ventures will not be allowed.

SEC. 2.12 RIGHT TO INSPECT PLACE OF BUSINESS

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 2.13 F.O.B. POINT

The F.O.B. point for this ITB will be Palmer, Alaska. The Contractor will be required to prepare the items for shipping and to ship them to the ultimate destination specified in the State's order. The Contractor will be required to prepay the freight charges from the F.O.B. point to the ultimate destination. The Contractor may charge-back the freight charges from the F.O.B. point to the ultimate destination as a separate item on the State's invoice. These costs must be billed as a pass-through charge.

SEC. 2.14 INSPECTION & MODIFICATION - REIMBURSEMENT FOR UNACCEPTABLE DELIVERABLES

The Contractor is responsible for providing all products or the completion of all work set out in the contract. All products or work are subject to inspection, evaluation, and approval by the State. The State may employ all reasonable means to ensure that the work is progressing and being performed in compliance with the contract. The State may instruct the Contractor to make corrections or modifications if needed in order to accomplish the contract's intent. The Contractor will not unreasonably withhold such changes.

The substantial failure of the Contractor to perform the contract may cause the State to terminate the contract. In this event, the State may require the Contractor to reimburse monies paid (based on the identified portion of unacceptable products or work received) and may seek associated damages.

SEC. 2.15 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 2.16 NEW EQUIPMENT

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 2.17 REMANUFACTURED/RECONDITIONED EQUIPMENT

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 2.18 LEMON CLAUSE

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 2.19 DISCONTINUED ITEMS

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 2.20 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 2.21 SHIPPING DAMAGE

The State will not accept or pay for damaged goods. The Contractor must file all claims against the carrier(s) for damages incurred to items in transit from the point of origin to the ultimate destination. The State will provide the Contractor with written notice when damaged goods are received. The State will deduct the cost of the damaged goods from the invoice prior to payment. The Contractor must file all claims against the carrier(s) for reimbursement of the loss.

SEC. 2.22 CONTRACT CHANGES – UNANTICIPATED AMENDMENTS

During the course of this contract, the Contractor may be required to perform additional work. That work will be within the general scope of the initial contract. When additional work is required, the State will provide the Contractor with a written description of the additional work and request the Contractor to submit a firm time schedule for accomplishing the additional work and a firm price for the additional work. Cost and pricing data must be provided to justify the cost of such amendments per AS 36.30.400.

The Contractor will not commence additional work until the Procurement Officer has secured required State approvals necessary for the amendment and issued a written contract amendment.

SEC. 2.23 CONTINUING OBLIGATION OF CONTRACTOR

Notwithstanding the expiration date of a contract resulting from this ITB, the Contractor is obligated to fulfill its responsibilities until warranty, guarantee, maintenance, and parts availability requirements have completely expired.

SEC. 2.24 BILLING INSTRUCTIONS

All invoices produced by the Contractor must contain the following information at a minimum:

- Contract number and title;
- Identification of the billing period;
- An itemized listing of deliverables and charges for the invoiced period;
- Total amount billed;
- Date invoice was submitted for payment;
- Entity name, contact information, and Alaska vendor number.

Invoices must be billed to the ordering agency's address shown on the individual Purchase Order, Contract Award or Delivery Order. The State will make payment after it receives the goods or services and the invoice. Questions concerning payment must be addressed to the ordering agency.

SEC. 2.25 ESTIMATED QUANTITIES

The quantities referenced in this ITB are estimated requirements and may vary more or less from the quantities actually purchased. The State does not guarantee any minimum or maximum purchase. Orders will be issued throughout the contract period on an as-needed basis.

SEC. 2.26 WARRANTY

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 2.27 NONDISCLOSURE AND CONFIDENTIALITY

The Contractor agrees that all confidential information shall be used only for purposes of providing the deliverables and performing the services specified herein and shall not disseminate or allow dissemination of confidential information except as provided for in this section. The Contractor shall hold as confidential and will use reasonable care (including both facility physical security and electronic security) to prevent unauthorized access by, storage, disclosure, publication, dissemination to and/or use by third parties of, the confidential information. "Reasonable care" means compliance by the Contractor with all applicable federal and state law, including the Social Security Act and HIPAA. The Contractor must promptly notify the State in writing if it becomes aware of any storage, disclosure, loss, unauthorized access to or use of the confidential information.

Confidential information, as used herein, means any data, files, software, information or materials (whether prepared by the State or its agents or advisors) in oral, electronic, tangible or intangible form and however stored, compiled or memorialized that is classified confidential as defined by State of Alaska classification and categorization guidelines provided by the State to the Contractor or a Contractor agent or otherwise made available to the Contractor or a Contractor agent in connection with this contract, or acquired, obtained or learned by the Contractor or a Contractor agent in the performance of this contract. Examples of confidential information include, but are not limited to: technology infrastructure, architecture, financial data, trade secrets, equipment specifications, user lists, passwords, research data, and technology data (infrastructure, architecture, operating systems, security tools, IP addresses, etc.).

If confidential information is requested to be disclosed by the Contractor pursuant to a request received by a third party and such disclosure of the confidential information is required under applicable federal or state law, regulation, governmental or regulatory authority, the Contractor may disclose the confidential information after providing the State with written notice of the requested disclosure (to the extent such notice to the State is permitted by applicable law) and giving the State opportunity to review the request. If the Contractor receives no objection from the State, it may release the confidential information within 30 days. Notice of the requested disclosure of confidential information by the Contractor must be provided to the State within a reasonable time after the Contractor's receipt of notice of the requested disclosure and, upon request of the State, shall seek to obtain legal protection from the release of the confidential information.

The following information shall not be considered confidential information: information previously known to be public information when received from the other party; information freely available to the general public; information which now is or hereafter becomes publicly known by other than a breach of confidentiality hereof; or information which is disclosed by a party pursuant to subpoena or other legal process and which as a result becomes lawfully obtainable by the general public.

SEC. 2.28 INDEMNIFICATION

The Contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the Contracting Agency from and against any claim of, or liability for error, omission, or negligent act of the Contractor under this agreement. The Contractor shall not be required to indemnify the Contracting Agency for a claim of, or liability for, the independent negligence of the Contractor ad the independent negligence of the Contractor and the independent negligence of a comparative fault basis. "Contractor" and "Contracting Agency," as used within this and the following article, include the employees, agents and other contractors who are directly responsible, respectively, to each. The term "independent negligence" is negligence other than in the Contracting Agency's selection, administration, monitoring, or controlling of the Contractor and in approving or accepting the Contractor's work.

SEC. 2.29 INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Without limiting Contractor's indemnification, it is agreed that Contractor shall purchase at its own expense and maintain in force at all times during the performance of services under this agreement the following policies of insurance. Where specific limits are shown, it is understood that they shall be the minimum acceptable limits. If the Contractor's policy contains higher limits, the State shall be entitled to coverage to the extent of such higher limits.

Certificates of Insurance must be furnished to the Procurement Officer prior to beginning work and must provide a notice of cancellation, non-renewal, or material change of conditions in accordance with policy provisions. Failure to furnish satisfactory evidence of insurance or lapse of the policy is a material breach of this contract and shall be grounds for termination of the Contractor's services. All insurance policies shall comply with and be issued by insurers licensed to transact the business of insurance under AS 21. **Workers' Compensation Insurance:** The Contractor shall provide and maintain, for all employees engaged in work under this contract, coverage as required by AS 23.30.045, and where applicable, any other statutory obligations including but not limited to Federal U.S.L. & H. and Jones Act requirements. **The policy must waive subrogation against the State**.

Commercial General Liability Insurance: Covering all business premises and operations used by the Contractor in the performance of services under this agreement with minimum coverage limits of \$300,000.00 combined single limit per claim.

Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance: Covering all vehicles used by the Contractor in the performance of services under this agreement with minimum coverage limits of \$300,000.00 combined single limit per claim.

Contract Amount	Minimum Required Limits
Under \$100,000.00	\$300,000.00 per Claim / Annual Aggregate
\$100,000-\$499,999	\$500,000.00 per Claim / Annual Aggregate
\$500,000-\$999,999	\$1,000,000.00 per Claim / Annual Aggregate
\$1,000,000 or over	Refer to Risk Management

SEC. 2.30 DELIVERY TIME

The elapsed time between the time the State places an order and the time that the order is shipped from the Contractor's place of business must be entered in the space provided on the Bid Schedule. This processing time shall remain constant throughout the life of the contract(s).

SEC. 2.31 MANDATORY REPORTING

Not applicable for this ITB.

SECTION 3. CONTRACT INVOICING AND PAYMENTS

SEC. 3.01 BID FORMS

Bidders shall use the front page of this ITB, and any other forms identified in this ITB for submitting bids. All bids must be signed by an individual authorized to bind the bidder to the provisions of the ITB.

BIDDER'S CERTIFICATION

By signature on the bid, the bidder certifies that they comply with the following:

- A. the laws of the State of Alaska;
- B. the applicable portion of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964;
- C. the Equal Employment Opportunity Act and the regulations issued thereunder by the federal and state government;
- D. the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the regulations issued thereunder by the federal and state government;
- E. all terms and conditions set out in this ITB;
- F. the price(s) submitted was arrived at independently arrived and without collusion, under penalty of perjury; and
- G. that the bid will remain open and valid for at least 90 days.

If any bidder fails to comply with [A] through [G] of this paragraph, the State reserves the right to disregard the bid, terminate the contract, or consider the Contractor in default.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Each bid shall include a statement indicating whether or not the company or any individuals working on the contract has a possible conflict of interest (e.g., currently employed by the State of Alaska or formerly employed by the State of Alaska within the past two years) and, if so, the nature of that conflict. The Procurement Officer reserves the right to **consider a bid non-responsive and reject it** or cancel the award if any interest disclosed from any source could either give the appearance of a conflict or cause speculation as to the objectivity of the contract to be performed by the bidder.

SEC. 3.02 BID BOND – PERFORMANCE BOND – SURETY DEPOSIT

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 3.03 PRICES

The bidder shall state prices in the units of issue on this ITB. Prices quoted in bids must be exclusive of federal, state, and local taxes. If the bidder believes that certain taxes are payable by the State, the bidder may list such taxes separately, directly below the bid price for the affected item.

SECTION 4. EVALUATION AND CONTRACTOR SELECTION

SEC. 4.01 EVALUATION OF BIDS

After bid opening, the Procurement Officer will evaluate the bids for responsiveness. Bids deemed non-responsive will be eliminated from further consideration. An evaluation may not be based on discrimination due the race, religion, color, national origin, sex, age, marital status, pregnancy, parenthood, disability, or political affiliation of the bidder.

SEC. 4.02 APPLICATION OF PREFERENCES

Certain preferences apply to all State contracts, regardless of their dollar value. The Alaska Bidder and Alaska Veteran preferences are the most common preferences involved in the ITB process. Additional preferences that may apply to this procurement are listed below. Guides that contain excerpts from the relevant statutes and codes, explain when the preferences apply and provide examples of how to calculate the preferences are available at the following website:

https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/portals/4/pub/APP/00ApplicationOfPreferences2017.pdf

- Alaska Products Preference AS 36.30.332
- Recycled Products Preference AS 36.30.337
- Local Agriculture and Fisheries Products Preference AS 36.15.050
- Employment Program Preference AS 36.30.321(b)
- Alaskans with Disabilities Preference AS 36.30.321(d)

The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation in the Department of Labor and Workforce Development keeps a list of qualified employment programs and individuals who qualify as persons with a disability. As evidence of a business' or an individual's right to the Employment Program or Alaskans with Disabilities preferences, the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation will issue a certification letter. To take advantage of these preferences, a business or individual must be on the appropriate Division of Vocational Rehabilitation list prior to the time designated for receipt of proposals. Bidders must attach a copy of their certification letter to the proposal. A bidder's failure to provide this certification letter with their proposal will cause the state to disallow the preference.

SEC. 4.03 ALASKA BIDDER PREFERENCE

An Alaska Bidder Preference of 5% will be applied to the total bid price. The preference will be given to a bidder who:

- 1) holds a current Alaska business license prior to the deadline for receipt of bids;
- 2) submits a bid for goods or services under the name appearing on the bidder's current Alaska business license;
- 3) has maintained a place of business within the state staffed by the bidder, or an employee of the bidder, for a period of six months immediately preceding the date of the bid;
- 4) is incorporated or qualified to do business under the laws of the state, is a sole proprietorship and the proprietor is a resident of the state, is a Limited Liability Company (LLC) organized under AS 10.50 and all members are residents of the state, or is a partnership under AS 32.06 or AS 32.11 and all partners are residents of the state; and
- 5) if a joint venture, is composed entirely of ventures that qualify under (1)-(4) of this subsection.

Alaska Bidder Preference Certification Form

In order to receive the Alaska Bidder Preference, the bid must include the Alaska Bidder Preference Certification Form attached to this ITB. A bidder does not need to complete the Alaska Veteran Preference questions on the form if not claiming the Alaska Veteran Preference. A bidder's failure to provide this completed form with their bid will cause the State to disallow the preference.

SEC. 4.04 ALASKA VETERAN PREFERENCE

An Alaska Veteran Preference of 5%, not to exceed \$5,000.00, will be applied to the total bid price. The preference will be given to a bidder who qualifies under AS 36.30.990(2) as an Alaska Bidder and is a:

- a) sole proprietorship owned by an Alaska veteran;
- b) partnership under AS 32.06 or AS 32.11 if a majority of the partners are Alaska veterans;
- c) limited liability company organized under AS 10.50 if a majority of the members are Alaska veterans; or
- d) corporation that is wholly owned by individuals, and a majority of the individuals are Alaska veterans.

In accordance with AS 36.30.321(i), the bidder must also add value by actually performing, controlling, managing, and supervising the services provided, or for supplies, the bidder must have sold supplies of the general nature solicited to other State agencies, other government, or the general public.

Alaska Veteran Preference Certification

In order to receive the Alaska Veteran Preference, the bid must include the Alaska Bidder Preference Certification Form attached to this ITB. A bidder's failure to provide this completed form with their bid will cause the State to disallow the preference.

SEC. 4.05 USE OF LOCAL FOREST PRODUCTS

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 4.06 LOCAL AGRICULTURAL AND FISHERIES PRODUCT PREFERENCE

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 4.07 ALASKA PRODUCT PREFERENCE

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 4.08 EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM PREFERENCE

If a bidder qualifies for the Alaska Bidder Preference and is offering goods or services through an employment program as defined under AS 36.30.990(12), an Employment Program Preference of 15% will be applied to the total bid price.

In accordance with AS 36.30.321(i), the bidder must also add value by actually performing, controlling, managing, and supervising the services provided, or for supplies, the bidder must have sold supplies of the general nature solicited to other State agencies, other government, or the general public.

SEC. 4.09 ALASKANS WITH DISABILITIES PREFERENCE

If a bidder qualifies for the Alaska Bidder Preference and is a qualifying entity as defined in AS 36.30.321(d), an Alaskans with Disabilities Preference of 10% will be applied to the total bid price.

In accordance with AS 36.30.321(i), the bidder must also add value by actually performing, controlling, managing, and supervising the services provided, or for supplies, the bidder must have sold supplies of the general nature solicited to other State agencies, other government, or the general public.

SEC. 4.10 PREFERENCE QUALIFICATION LETTER

Regarding the Employment Program Preference and the Alaskans with Disabilities Preference, the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation in the Department of Labor and Workforce Development maintains lists companies who qualify for those preferences. As evidence of a company's right to the preferences, the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation will issue a certification letter. To take advantage of the preferences, a bidder must be on the appropriate Division of Vocational Rehabilitation list at the time the bid is opened and must attach a copy of their certification letter to their bid. The bidder's failure to provide this certification letter with their bid will cause the State to disallow the preference.

SEC. 4.11 EXTENSION OF PRICES

In case of error in the extension of prices in the bid, the unit prices will govern; in a lot bid, the lot prices will govern.

SEC. 4.12 METHOD OF AWARD

The award will be made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. In order to be considered responsive, bidders must bid on all items.

SEC. 4.13 CONTRACTOR SELECTION PROCESS

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 4.14 NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD

After the responses to this ITB have been opened and evaluated, a tabulation of the bids will be prepared. This tabulation, called a Notice of Intent to Award, serves two purposes. It lists the name of each company or person that offered a bid and the price they bid. It also provides notice of the State's intent to award a contract(s) to the bidder(s) indicated. A copy of the Notice of Intent will be mailed to each company or person who responded to the ITB. Bidders identified as the apparent low responsive bidders are instructed not to proceed until a Purchase Order, Contract Award, Lease, or some other form of written notice is given by the Procurement Officer. A company or person who proceeds prior to receiving a Purchase Order, Contract Award, Lease, or some other form the Procurement Officer does so without a contract and at their own risk.

SECTION 5. GENERAL PROCESS AND LEGAL INFORMATION

SEC. 5.01 INFORMAL DEBRIEFING

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 5.02 ALASKA BUSINESS LICENSE AND OTHER REQUIRED LICENSES

Prior to the award of a contract, a bidder must hold a valid Alaska business license. However, in order to receive the Alaska Bidder Preference and other related preferences, such as the Alaska Veteran Preference and Alaskans with Disabilities Preference, a bidder must hold a valid Alaska business license prior to the deadline for receipt of bids. Bidders should contact the **Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development, Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing, PO Box 110806, Juneau, Alaska 99811-0806**, for information on these licenses. Acceptable evidence that the bidder possesses a valid Alaska business license may consist of any one of the following:

- copy of an Alaska business license;
- certification on the bid that the bidder has a valid Alaska business license and has included the license number in the bid;
- a canceled check for the Alaska business license fee;
- a copy of the Alaska business license application with a receipt stamp from the state's occupational licensing office; or
- a sworn and notarized statement that the bidder has applied and paid for the Alaska business license.

You are not required to hold a valid Alaska business license at the time bids are opened if you possess one of the following licenses and are offering services or supplies under that specific line of business:

- fisheries business licenses issued by Alaska Department of Revenue or Alaska Department of Fish and Game,
- liquor licenses issued by Alaska Department of Revenue for alcohol sales only,
- insurance licenses issued by Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development, Division of Insurance, or
- Mining licenses issued by Alaska Department of Revenue.

Prior to the deadline for receipt of bids, all bidders must hold any other necessary applicable professional licenses required by Alaska Statute.

SEC. 5.03 AUTHORITY

This ITB is written in accordance with AS 36.30 and 2 AAC 12.

SEC. 5.04 COMPLIANCE

In the performance of a contract that results from this ITB, the Contractor must comply with all applicable federal, state, and borough regulations, codes, and laws; be liable for all required insurance, licenses, permits and bonds; and pay all applicable federal, state, and borough taxes.

SEC. 5.05 SUITABLE MATERIALS, ETC.

Unless otherwise specified in this ITB, all materials, supplies or equipment offered by a bidder shall be new, unused, and of the latest edition, version, model, or crop and of recent manufacture.

SEC. 5.06 SPECIFICATIONS

Unless otherwise specified in this ITB, product brand names or model numbers specified in this ITB are examples of the type and quality of product required and are not statements of preference. If the specifications describing an item conflict with a brand name or model number describing the item, the specifications govern. Reference to brand name or number does not preclude an offer of a comparable or better product, if full specifications and descriptive literature are provided for the product. Failure to provide such specifications and descriptive literature may be cause for rejection of the offer.

SEC. 5.07 BRAND SPECIFIC

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 5.08 ITEM UPGRADES

The State reserves the right to accept upgrades to models on the basic contract when the upgrades improve the way the equipment operates or improve the accuracy of the equipment. Such upgraded items must be at the same price as the items in the basic contract.

SEC. 5.09 WORKMANSHIP AND MATERIALS

All work must be performed in a thorough and workmanlike manner and in accordance with current industry practices. The Contractor will be held responsible for the quality of the service, maintenance, and inspections. Service, maintenance, and inspections that are improperly done will be redone, by the Contractor, at the Contractor's risk and expense.

SEC. 5.10 CONTRACTOR SITE INSPECTION

Not applicable for this ITB.

SEC. 5.11 ORDER DOCUMENTS

Except as specifically allowed under this ITB, an ordering agency will not sign any vendor contract. The State is not bound by a vendor contract signed by a person who is not specifically authorized to sign for the State under this ITB. Unless otherwise specified in this ITB, the State of Alaska Purchase Order, Contract Award and Delivery Order are the only order documents that may be used to place orders against the contract(s) resulting from this ITB.

SEC. 5.12 HUMAN TRAFFICKING

By signature on their bid, the bidder certifies that the bidder is not established and headquartered or incorporated and headquartered in a country recognized as Tier 3 in the most recent United States Department of State's Trafficking in Persons Report.

The most recent United States Department of State's Trafficking in Persons Report can be found at the following website: <u>http://www.state.gov/j/tip/</u>.

Failure to comply with this requirement will cause the State to reject the bid as non-responsive or cancel the contract.

SEC. 5.13 RIGHT OF REJECTION

Bidders must comply with all of the terms of the ITB, the State Procurement Code (AS 36.30), and all applicable federal, state, and laws, codes, and regulations. The Procurement Officer may reject any bid that does not comply with all of the material and substantial terms, conditions, and performance requirements of the ITB.

Bidders may not qualify the bid nor restrict the rights of the State. If a bidder does so, the Procurement Officer may determine the bid to be a non-responsive counter-offer and the bid may be rejected.

Minor informalities that:

- do not affect responsiveness;
- are merely a matter of form or format;
- do not change the relative standing or otherwise prejudice other offers;
- do not change the meaning or scope of the ITB;
- are trivial, negligible, or immaterial in nature;
- do not reflect a material change in the work; or
- do not constitute a substantial reservation against a requirement or provision;

may be waived by the Procurement Officer.

The State reserves the right to refrain from making an award if it determines that to be in its best interest.

A bid from a debarred or suspended bidder shall be rejected.

SEC. 5.14 STATE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR PREPARATION COSTS

The State will not pay any cost associated with the preparation, submittal, presentation, or evaluation of any bid.

SEC. 5.15 DISCLOSURE OF BID CONTENTS

All bid prices become public information at the bid opening. After the deadline for receipt of bids, all other bid material submitted become the property of the State of Alaska and may be returned only at the State's option. AS 40.25.110 requires public records to be open to reasonable inspection. All other bid information will be held in confidence during the evaluation process and prior to the time a Notice of Intent to Award is issued. Thereafter, bids will become public information.

The Office of Procurement and Property Management (OPPM), or their designee recognizes that some information an offeror submits might be confidential under the United States or the State of Alaska Constitution, a federal statute or regulation, or a State of Alaska statute: i.e., might be Confidential Business Information (CBI). *See, e.g.*, article 1, section 1 of the Alaska Constitution; AS 45.50.910 – 45.50.945 (the Alaska Uniform Trade Secrets Act); *DNR v. Arctic Slope Regional Corp.*, 834 P.2d 134, 137-39 (Alaska 1991). For OPPM or their designee to treat information an offeror submits with its bid as CBI, the offeror must do the following when submitting their bid: (1) mark the specific information it asserts is CBI; and (2) for each discrete set of such information, identify, in writing, each authority the offeror asserts make the information CBI. If the offeror does not do these things, the information will become public after the Notice of Intent to Award is issued. If the offeror does these things, OPPM or their designee rejects the assertion, they will, to the extent permitted by federal and State of Alaska law, undertake reasonable measures to give the offeror an opportunity to object to the disclosure of the information.

SEC. 5.16 ASSIGNMENTS

Per 2 AAC 12.480, the Contractor may not transfer or assign any portion of the contract without prior written approval from the Procurement Officer. Bids that are conditioned upon the State's approval of an assignment will be rejected as non-responsive.

SEC. 5.17 FORCE MAJEURE (IMPOSSIBILITY TO PERFORM)

The parties to a contract resulting from this ITB are not liable for the consequences of any failure to perform, or default in performing, any of its obligations under the contract, if that failure or default is caused by any unforeseeable Force Majeure, beyond the control of, and without the fault or negligence of, the respective party.

For the purposes of this ITB, Force Majeure will mean war (whether declared or not); revolution; invasion; insurrection; riot; civil commotion; sabotage; military or usurped power; lightning; explosion; fire; storm; drought; flood; earthquake; epidemic; quarantine; strikes; acts or restraints of governmental authorities affecting the project or directly or indirectly prohibiting or restricting the furnishing or use of materials or labor required; inability to secure materials, machinery, equipment or labor because of priority, allocation or other regulations of any governmental authorities.

SEC. 5.18 DEFAULT

In case of default by the Contractor, for any reason whatsoever, the State may procurement the goods or services from another source and hold the Contractor responsible for any resulting excess cost and may seek other remedies under law or equity.

SEC. 5.19 DISPUTES

If the Contractor has a claim arising in connection with the contract that it cannot resolve with the State by mutual agreement, it shall pursue the claim, if at all, in accordance with the provisions of AS 36.30.620 – AS 36.30.632.

SEC. 5.20 SEVERABILITY

If any provision of the contract or agreement is found to be invalid or declared by a court to be illegal or in conflict with any law, the validity of the remaining terms and provisions will not be affected; and the rights and obligations of the parties will be construed and enforced as if the contract did not contain the particular provision held to be invalid.

SEC. 5.21 CONTRACT CANCELLATION

- 1) The State reserves the right to cancel the contract at its convenience upon **30** calendar days written notice to the Contractor. The State is only liable for payment in accordance with the payment provisions of this contract for supplies or services provided before the effective date termination.
- 2) By signature on their bid, the bidder certifies that they will not support or participate in a boycott of the State of Israel. Failure to comply with this requirement may cause the State to reject the bid as non-responsive or cancel the contract.

SEC. 5.22 GOVERNING LAW; FORUM SELECTION

A contract resulting from this ITB is governed by the laws of the State of Alaska. To the extent not otherwise governed by Section 5.15 of this ITB, any claim concerning the contract shall be brought only in the Superior Court of the State of Alaska and not elsewhere.

SEC. 5.23 QUALIFIED BIDDERS

Per 2 AAC 12.875, unless provided for otherwise in the ITB, to qualify as a bidder for award of a contract issued under AS 36.30, the bidder must:

- 1) Add value in the contract by actually performing, controlling, managing, or supervising the services to be provided; or
- 2) Be in the business of selling and have actually sold on a regular basis the supplies that are the subject of the ITB.

If the bidder leases services or supplies or acts as a broker or agency in providing the services or supplies in order to meet these requirements, the Procurement Officer may not accept the bidder as a qualified bidder under AS 36.30.

SEC. 5.24 FEDERALLY IMPOSED TARIFFS

Changes in price (increase or decrease) resulting directly from a new or updated federal tariff, excise tax, or duty, imposed after contract award may be adjusted during the contract period or before delivery into the United States via contract amendment.

- Notification of Changes: The Contractor must promptly notify the Procurement Officer in writing of any new, increased, or decreased federal excise tax or duty that may result in either an increase or decrease in the contact price and shall take appropriate action as directed by the Procurement Officer.
- After-imposed or Increased Taxes and Duties: Any federal excise tax or duty for goods or services covered by this contract that was exempted or excluded on the contract award date but later imposed on the Contractor during the contract period, as the result of legislative, judicial, or administrative action may result in a price increase provided:
 - a) The tax or duty takes effect after the contract award date and isn't otherwise addressed by the contract;
 - b) The Contractor warrants, in writing, that no amount of the newly imposed federal excise tax or duty or rate increase was included in the contract price, as a contingency or otherwise.

- After-relieved or Decreased Taxes and Duties: The contract price shall be decreased by the amount of any decrease in federal excise tax or duty for goods or services under the contract, except social security or other employment <u>taxes</u>, that the Contractor is required to pay or bear, or does not obtain a refund of, through the Contractor's fault, negligence, or failure to follow instructions of the Procurement Officer.
- State's Ability to Make Changes: The State reserves the right to request verification of federal excise tax or duty amounts on goods or services covered by this contract and increase or decrease the contract price accordingly.
- **Price Change Threshold:** No adjustment shall be made in the contract price under this clause unless the amount of the adjustment exceeds \$250.00.

SEC. 5.25 PROTEST

AS 36.30.560 provides that an interested party may protest the content of the ITB.

An interested party is defined in 2 AAC 12.990(a) (7) as "an actual or prospective bidder or offeror whose economic interest might be affected substantially and directly by the issuance of a contract solicitation, the award of a contract, or the failure to award a contract."

If an interested party wishes to protest the content of a solicitation, the protest must be received, in writing, by the Procurement Officer at least 10 days prior to the deadline for receipt of bids.

AS 36.30.560 also provides that an interested party may protest the award of a contract or the proposed award of a contract.

If a bidder wishes to protest the award of a contract or the proposed award of a contract, the protest must be received, in writing, by the Procurement Officer within 10 days after the date the Notice of Intent to Award the contract is issued.

A protester must have submitted a bid in order to have sufficient standing to protest the proposed award of a contract. Protests must include the following information:

- the name, address, and telephone number of the protester;
- the signature of the protester or the protester's representative;
- identification of the contracting agency and the solicitation or contract at issue;
- a detailed statement of the legal and factual grounds of the protest including copies of relevant documents; and the form of relief requested.

Protests filed by telex or telegram are not acceptable because they do not contain a signature. Fax copies containing a signature are acceptable.

The Procurement Officer will issue a written response to the protest. The response will set out the Procurement Officer's decision and contain the basis of the decision within the statutory time limit in AS 36.30.580. A copy of the decision will be furnished to the protester by certified mail, fax or another method that provides evidence of receipt.

All bidders will be notified of any protest. The review of protests, decisions of the Procurement Officer, appeals, and hearings, will be conducted in accordance with the State Procurement Code (AS 36.30), Article 8 "Legal and Contractual Remedies."

SEC. 5.26 SOLICITATION ADVERTISING

Public notice has been provided in accordance with 2 AAC 12.220.

SECTION 6. ATTACHMENTS

SEC. 6.01 ATTACHMENTS Attachments:

- 1) Standard Contract Form for Goods and Non-Professional Services Appendix A, General Conditions;
- 2) Certification Of Entitlement To The Alaska Bidder Preference;
- 3) Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion;
- 4) 28 CFR Part 67-Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements;
- 5) Bid Schedule.

ATTACHMENT 1 STANDARD CONTRACT FORM

Goods and Non-Professional Services

The parties' contract comprises this Standard Contract Form, as well as its referenced Articles and their associated Appendices.

1. Agency contract Number	2. COntract Inte		3. Agency Fund Code		4. Agency Appro	priation Code	
			Internal Use On	ly	Int	ernal Use Only	
5. Vendor Number	6. IRIS Document ID #		7. Alaska Busine	ess Licens	e Number		
This contract is between the Stat	e of Alaska,						
8. Department of		Division			Hereaft	er the State, and	1
9. Contractor					Hereaft	er the Contracto	or
Mailing Address	Street or P.O. Box		Citv		State	ZIP+4	

10. ARTICLE 1. Appendices:

Appendices referred to in this contract and attached to it are considered part of it.

ARTICLE 2. Performance of Contract:

- 2.1 Appendix A (General Conditions), Items 1 through 19, govern contract performance.
- 2.2 Appendix B sets forth the liability and insurance provisions of this contract.
- 2.3 Appendix C sets forth the scope of work/services to be performed by the Contractor.

ARTICLE 3. Period of Performance:

The period of performance for this contract begins XXXX, and ends XXXX. There are no renewal options for this contract.

ARTICLE 4. Considerations:

- 4.1 In full consideration of the Contractor's performance under this contract, the State shall pay the Contractor a sum not to exceed **\$XXXX** in accordance with the provisions of Appendix D.
- 4.2 When submitting billing to the State, the Contractor shall refer to the Agency Contract Number and send the billing to:

11. Department of		Attention: Division of
	Natural Resources	
Mailing Address		Attention:
12.	CONTRACTOR	13. CONTRACTING AGENCY
Name of Firm		Department/Division
Signature of Authorized Repr	esentative	Signature of Procurement Officer
Typed or Printed Name of Au	thorized Representative	Typed or Printed Name of Procurement Officer
Date		Date

NOTICE: This contract has no effect until it is signed by the contracting agency.

APPENDIX A GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. Inspections and Reports:

The department may inspect, in the manner and at reasonable times it considers appropriate, all of the Contractor's facilities and activities under this contract. The Contractor shall make progress and other reports in the manner and at the times the department reasonable requires.

2. Suitable Materials, Etc.:

Unless otherwise specified, all materials, supplies, or equipment offered by the Contractor shall be new, unused, and of the latest edition, version, model, or crop and of recent manufacture.

3. Disputes:

If the Contractor has a claim arising in connection with the contract that it cannot resolve with the State by mutual agreement, it shall pursue the claim, if at all, in accordance with the provisions of AS 36.30.620-AS 36.30.632.

4. Default:

In case of default by the Contractor, for any reason whatsoever, the State of Alaska may procure the goods or services from another source and hold the Contractor responsible for any resulting excess cost and may seek other remedies under law or equity.

5. No Assignment or Delegation:

The Contractor may not assign or delegate this contract, or any part of it, or any right to any of the money to be paid under it, except with the written consent of the Procurement Officer.

6. No Additional Work or Material:

No claim for additional supplies or services, not specifically provided in this contract, performed or furnished by the Contractor, will be allowed, nor may the Contractor do any work or furnish any material not covered by the contract unless the work or material is ordered in writing by the Procurement Officer.

7. Independent Contractor:

The Contractor and any agents and employees of the Contractor act in an independent capacity and are not officers or employees or agents of the State in the performance of this contract.

8. Payment of Taxes:

As a condition of performance of this contract, the Contractor shall pay all federal, state, and local taxes incurred by the Contractor and shall require their payment by any subcontractor or any other persons in the performance of this contract. Satisfactory performance of this paragraph is a condition precedent to payment by the State under this contract.

9. Compliance:

In the performance of this contract, the Contractor must comply with all applicable federal, state, and borough regulations, codes, and laws, and be liable for all required insurance, licenses, permits, and bonds.

10. Conflicting Provisions:

Unless specifically amended and approved by the Department of Law, the terms of this contract supersede any provisions the Contractor may seek to add. The Contractor may not add additional or different terms to this contract; AS 45.02.207(b)(1). The Contractor specifically acknowledges and agrees that, among other things, provisions in any documents it sees to append hereto that purport to (1) waive the State of Alaska's sovereign immunity, (2) impose indemnification obligations on the State of Alaska, or (3) seek to limit liability of the Contractor for acts of Contractor negligence, are expressly superseded by this contract and are void.

11. Officials Not to Benefit:

Contractors must comply with all applicable federal or state laws regulating ethical conduct of public officers and employees.

12. Contract Prices:

Contract prices for commodities must be in U.S. funds and include applicable federal duty, brokerage fees, packaging, and transportation cost to the FOB point so that upon transfer of title the commodity can be utilized without further cost. Prices for services must be in U.S. funds and include applicable federal duty, brokerage fee, packaging, and transportation cost so that the services can be provided without further cost.

13. Contract Funding:

Contractors are advised that funds are available for the initial purchase and/or the first term of the contract. Payment and performance obligations for succeeding purchases and/or additional terms of the contract are subject to the availability and appropriation of funds.

14. Force Majeure:

The parties to this contract are not liable for the consequences of any failure to perform, or default in performing, any of their obligations under this Agreement, if that failure or default is caused by any unforeseeable Force Majeure, beyond the control of, and without the fault or negligence of, the respective party. For the purposes of this Agreement, Force Majeure will mean war (whether declared or not); revolution; invasion; insurrection; riot; civil commotion; sabotage; military or usurped power; lightning; explosion; fire; storm; drought; flood; earthquake; epidemic; quarantine; strikes; acts or restraints of governmental authorities affecting the project or directly or indirectly prohibiting or restricting the furnishing or use of materials or labor required; inability to secure materials, machinery, equipment or labor because of priority, allocation or other regulations of any governmental authorities.

15. Contract Extension:

- a. Unless otherwise provided, the State and the Contractor agree: (1) that any holding over of the contract excluding any exercised renewal options, will be considered as a month-to-month extension, and all other terms and conditions shall remain in full force and effect, and (2) to provide written notice to the other party of the intent to cancel such month-to-month extension at least 30 days before the desired date of cancellation.
- b. The Procurement Officer may also, by written notice, terminate this contract under Administrative Order 352 if the Contractor supports or participates in a boycott of the State of Israel.

16. Severability:

If any provision of the contract is declared by a court to be illegal or in conflict with any law, the validity of the remaining terms and provisions will not be affected; and the rights and obligations of the parties will be construed and enforced as if the contract did not contain the particular provision held to be invalid.

17. Continuing Obligation of Contractor:

Notwithstanding the expiration date of this contract, the Contractor is obligated to fulfill its responsibilities until warranty, guarantee, maintenance and parts availability requirements have completely expired.

18. Termination

The Procurement Officer, by written notice, may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, when it is in the best interest of the State. In the absence of a breach of contract by the Contractor, the State is liable only for payment in accordance with the payment provisions of this contract for services rendered before the effective date of termination.

19. Governing Law; Forum Selection

This contract is governed by the laws of the State of Alaska. To the extent not otherwise governed by Article 3 of this Appendix, any claim concerning this contract shall be brought only in the Superior Court of the State of Alaska and not elsewhere.

ATTACHMENT 2

CERTIFICATION OF ENTITLEMENT TO THE ALASKA BIDDER PREFERENCE

I am the bidder or a duly authorized agent of the offeror, and I certify that the offeror is entitled to the Alaska Bidder Preference. I know and understand that the Alaska Bidder Preference provides for substantial benefits which could be favorable to the offeror, and which could affect the award of the Invitation to Bid to the bidder's benefit. I am aware that falsely claiming the Alaska Bidder Preference is a violation of the State of Alaska Procurement Code (AS 36.30) and may be cause for felony prosecution and conviction.

I offer the following evidence or statements in support of my Certification of Entitlement to the Alaska Bidder Preference:

- 1) As of the deadline for receipt of the bids, the offeror possesses a valid Alaska business license in any one of the following forms:
 - a copy of an Alaska business license;
 - certification on the bid that the bidder has a valid Alaska business license and has included the license number in the bid;
 - a canceled check for the Alaska business license fee;
 - a copy of the Alaska business license application with a receipt stamp from the State's occupational licensing office; OR
 - a sworn notarized affidavit that the offeror has applied and paid for the Alaska business license.
- 2) In addition to holding a current Alaska business license prior to the deadline for receipt of bids, the offeror:
 - (a) is submitting a bid for goods or services under the name appearing on the offeror's current Alaska business license;
 - (b) has maintained a place of business within the state staffed by the offeror, or an employee of the bidder, for a period of six months immediately preceding the date of the bids;
 - (c) is incorporated or qualified to do business under the laws of the state, is a sole proprietorship, and the proprietor is a resident of the state, is a Limited Liability Company (LLC) organized under AS 10.50 and all members are residents of the state, or is a partnership under AS 32.06 or AS 32.11 and all partners are residents of the state; AND
 - (d) if a joint venture, is composed entirely of ventures that qualify under items (a)-(c) of this subsection.

Signature of Bidder or Bidder's Authorized Agent

Date

Printed Name

ATTACHMENT 3 CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION LOWER TIER COVRED TRANSACTIONS

This certification is required by the regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 29 CFR Part 98, Section 98.510, Participant's responsibilities. The regulations were published as Part VII of the May 26, 1988 Federal Register (pages 19160-19211).

(BEFORE COMPLETING CERTIFICATION, READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE WHICH ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE CERTIFICATION)

The prospective recipient of federal assistance funds certifies, by submission of this bid, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

Where the prospective recipient of federal assistance funds is unable to certify any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this bid.

Name of Representative:	:	
Title of Representative:		
Signature:		
Date:		
1. Is this company enrolled in the Federal System for Awards Management (S/	AM)? YES	NO

2. If Yes, please provide either the DUNS Number _____ or the Cage Code

3. If No, the company must be enrolled in SAM before a contract can be signed or payment made on a contract involving federal funds. Failure to do so will result in cancellation of the contract.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CERTIFICATION

1. By signing and submitting this bid, the prospective recipient of federal assistance funds is providing the certification as set out below.

2. The certification in this class is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective recipient of federal assistance funds knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the Department of Labor (DOL) may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

3. The prospective recipient of federal assistance funds shall provide immediate written notice to the person to whom this bid is submitted if at any time the prospective recipient of federal assistance funds learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

4. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered transaction," "participant," "person," "primary covered transaction," "principal," "bid," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this bid is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.

5. The prospective recipient of federal assistance funds agrees by submitting this bid that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the DOL.

6. The prospective recipient of federal assistance funds further agrees by submitting this bid that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transactions," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.

7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may but is not required to check the List of Parties Excluded from Procurement or Non-procurement Programs.

8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the DOL may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

ATTACHMENT 4 28 CFR PART 67-CERTIFICATION REGARDING DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS

This certification is required by the regulations that the grantee certifies that it will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by.

(a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;

(b) Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about-

- (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
- (2) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
- (3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
- (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;

(c) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);

(d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will—

- (1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and
- (2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;

(e) Notifying the agency in writing, within 10 calendar days after receiving notice under paragraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;

(f) Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under paragraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted—

- (1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or
- (2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;

(g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f).

Place of Performance (Street address, city, county, state, zip code)

Check _____ if there are workplaces on file that are not identified here.

Print Name and Title of Authorized Representative

Signature

Date

ATTACHMENT 5 BID SCHEDULE

Bidders are to submit their bid using this Bid Schedule. Bidders that fail to complete this bid schedule shall be considered non-responsive and their bids rejected. Bid prices are to remain firm for the duration of the contract and are to include all costs associated with providing required services, including, but not limited to, direct expenses, payroll, supplies, equipment, overhead, and profit. The Total Cost shown on this form is the cost that will be used for evaluation and award purposes under this ITB.

Quantities shown are an estimate of the number of units that may be required. These numbers are estimates only and will be used only for evaluation and award purposes. The State does not guarantee a minimum or maximum number of units to be ordered or dollar amount to be spent under any contract resulting from this ITB.

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED NO. OF UNITS	COST PER UNIT	EXTENDED COST	
1.	Electrical Pump Unit	7	\$	\$	
2.	Shipping to Palmer, Alaska	7	\$	\$	
3.	Total Contract Cost	\$			
4.	Estimated delivery/lead time for each				
5.	Note: The Extended Cost is derived by multiplying the Estimated Number of Units by the Cost per Unit. The Total Contract Cost is the cost that will be used for evaluation and award of the contract.				
6.	Company Name:				
	Authorized Representative's Printed Name:				
	Authorized Representative's Signature:				
	Date Bid Schedule Signed:				

1. Bid

2. PREFERENCE CERTIFICATION:

ITEM	QUESTION	YES	NO
1.	Does your company qualify for the Alaska Bidder's Preference?		
2.	Does your company qualify for the Alaska Veteran's Preference? If yes,		
	provide a copy of your DD 214 with your service/social security number, date		
	of birth, and other Privacy Act protected information redacted or "inked"		
	out.		
3.	Does your company qualify for the Alaskans with Disabilities preference? If		
	yes, you must provide a copy of your certification letter issued by the		
	Division of Vocational Rehabilitation to receive this preference.		
4.	Does your company qualify for the Employment Program Preference? If yes,		
	you must provide a copy of your certification letter issued by the Division of		
	Vocational Rehabilitation to receive this preference.		