

# STATE OF ALASKA Department of Transportation & Public Facilities State Equipment Fleet 5420 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Ave Anchorage, AK 99507

Invitation to Bid SEF-2446
Title of ITB: Trailer Mounted Attenuators

Date of Issue: May 15, 2025 Request for Amendments Due: May 29, 2025 @ 2:30 PM Bid Opening Date: June 9, 2025 @ 2:30 PM

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#### Offerors Are Not Required To Return This Form.

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#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS:**

NOTE: This section will be used for Terms and Conditions that are "special" and/or unique to a particular ITB. The paragraphs in this section may change from bid to bid. Accordingly, bidders must review this section to ensure compliance.

#### 1.0 INTENT:

This invitation to bid (ITB) is intended to result in the purchase of 20 Trailer Mounted Attenuators:

- 1.1 Contract Period: One Time Purchase, FHWA Funded.
- 1.2 Quantities: 20
- 1.3 Location of Use: Statewide1.4 Warranty locations: Anchorage
- 2.0 LATE BIDS:

Late bids are bids received after the time and date set for receipt of the bids. Late bids will not be accepted.

#### 3.0 INVITATION TO BID (ITB) REVIEW:

Bidders shall carefully review this ITB for defects and questionable or objectionable material. Bidders' comments concerning defects and questionable or objectionable material in the ITB must be made in writing and received by the purchasing authority at least ten (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 award cannot be made, and the resultant exposure of bidders' prices. Bidders' original comments should be sent to the purchasing authority listed on the front of this ITB.

#### 4.0 QUESTONS 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.

#### 5.0 SUBMITTING BIDS:

Envelopes containing bids must be sealed, marked, and addressed as shown in the example below. Do not put the ITB number and opening date on the envelope of a request for bid information. Envelopes with ITB numbers annotated on the outside will not be opened until the scheduled date and time.

Bidder's Return Address					
	Department of Transportation & Public Facilities HQ State Equipment Fleet 5420 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue Anchorage, AK 99507				
ITB No.: Opening Date:					

6.0 ELECTRONIC BID SUBMISSION: Bids may be emailed to <a href="kristi.futrel@alaska.gov">kristi.futrel@alaska.gov</a>, no later than the date and time listed on page one of this ITB as the deadline for receipt of bids, and must contain the ITB number in the subject line of the email. Emailed bids must be submitted as an attachment in PDF format. Please note that 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. The state is not responsible for unreadable, corrupt, or missing attachments. It is the bidder's responsibility to contact the issuing office at (907) 269-0786 to confirm that the bid has been received. Failure to follow the above instructions may result in the bid being found non-responsive and rejected.

#### 7.0 BID FORMS:

Bidders shall use this and attached forms in submitting bids. A photocopied bid may be submitted.

#### 8.0 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

#### 9.0 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.

#### 10.0 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 ten days prior to the deadline for receipt of bids.

#### 11.0 AMENDMENTS TO BID:

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 of the contracting agency, in accordance with 2 AAC 12.160.

#### 12.0 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.

#### 13.0 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.

#### 14.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION:

The state strongly desires that bidders submit all required technical, specification, and other supporting information with their bid, so that a detailed analysis and determination can be made by the contracting 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 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 will 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.

#### 15.0 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 of 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.

#### **CONTRACT INFORMATION:**

#### 16.0 CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION:

The administration of this contract is the responsibility of State Equipment Fleet, Contracting Officer, Department of Transportation.

#### 17.0 CONTRACT FUNDING:

Bidders 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 Section I- Terms & Conditions

availability and appropriation of funds.

#### 18.0 CONTRACT EXTENSION:

Unless otherwise provided in this ITB, the state and the successful bidder/contractor agree: (1) that any extension 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) the procurement officer will provide written notice to the contractor of the intent to cancel the month-to-month extension at least thirty (30) days before the date of cancellation. A month-to-month extension may only be executed by the procurement officer via a written contract amendment.

#### 19.0 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 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.

#### 20.0 SUBCONTRACTOR(S):

Within five (5) working days of notice from the state, the apparent low bidder must submit a list of the subcontractors that will be used in the performance of the contract. The list must include the name of each subcontractor and the location of the place of business for each subcontractor and evidence of each subcontractor's valid Alaska business license.

#### 21.0 JOINT VENTURES:

Joint ventures will not be allowed.

#### 22.0 CONTRACT PERFORMANCE LOCATION:

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.

#### 23.0 RIGHT TO INSPECT PLACE OF BUSINESS:

At reasonable times, the state may inspect those areas of the contractor's place of business that are related to the performance of a contract. If the state makes such an inspection, the contractor must provide reasonable assistance.

#### 24.0 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.

#### 25.0 DELIVERY TIME:

The elapsed time between the time the state places an order and the time that order is actually shipped from the contractor's place of business must be entered in space provided under "Bid Schedule". This processing time is to remain constant throughout the life of the contract(s).

#### 26.0 INSPECTION AND MODIFICATION - REIMBURSEMENT FOR UNACCEPTABLE DELIVERABLES:

The contractor is responsible for proving all products or the completion of all work set out in the contract. All products or work is 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.

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.

#### 27.0 CONTINUING OBLIGATION OF CONTRACTOR:

Regardless of the terms and conditions of any third-party financing agreement, the contractor agrees that none of its responsibilities under this contract are transferable and that the contractor alone will continue to be solely responsible until the expiration date of the contract. Such responsibilities include, but are not limited to, the provision of equipment, training, warranty service, maintenance, parts and the provision of consumable supplies. By signature on the face page of this ITB the bidder acknowledges this requirement and indicates unconditional acceptance of this continuing obligation clause.

#### 28.0 ESTIMATED QUANTITIES:

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

#### 29.0 PRICE:

- 29.1 Price Guarantee: The Contractor is responsible to maintain prices under the contract firm for 180 days after bid opening.
- 29.2 NO RETROACTIVE PRICE INCREASES WILL BE ACCEPTED.
- 29.3 Price Decreases: During the period of the contract, the Contractor must pass on to the state all price decreases, such as fleet rebates. A Contractor's failure to adhere strictly and faithfully to this clause will be considered a material breach of contract. The state reserves the right to cancel the contract if the contractor fails to properly perform the duties set out herein.
- 29.4 Manufacturer's Rebate (Incentives):
  - 29.4.1 In any circumstance during or prior to completion of the contract, whereupon the State of Alaska becomes eligible to receive a rebate for any vehicle purchased under this contract, it shall be the <a href="BIDDER'S">BIDDER'S</a> responsibility to inform the Contracting officer in writing and to advise the procedures for obtaining such rebates.

#### 30.0 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 contracting agency. If there is a claim of, or liability for, the joint negligent error or omission of the contractor and the independent negligence of the Contracting agency, the indemnification and hold harmless obligation shall be apportioned on 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.

#### 31.0 INSURANCE:

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 contracting officer prior to beginning work and must provide for 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.

Proof of insurance is required for the following:

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 combined single limit per occurrence.

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 combined single limit per occurrence.

Failure to supply satisfactory proof of insurance within the time required will cause the state to declare the bidder non-responsible and to reject the bid.

#### **CONTRACT INVOICING AND PAYMENTS:**

#### 32.0 BILLING INSTRUCTIONS:

Invoices must be billed to the ordering agency's address shown on the individual Purchase Order, Contract Award or Delivery Order, not to the Division of General Services. The ordering agency will make payment after it receives the merchandise or service and the invoice. Questions concerning payment must be addressed to the ordering agency.

#### 33.0 PAYMENT FOR STATE PURCHASES:

Payment for agreements under \$500,000 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.

#### 34.0 THIRD-PARTY FINANCING AGREEMENTS NOT ALLOWED:

Because of the additional administrative and accounting time required of state agencies when third party financing agreements are permitted, they will not be allowed under this contract.

#### **EVALUATION AND CONTRACTOR SELECTION:**

#### 35.0 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.

#### 36.0 APPLICATION OF PREFERENCES:

Do not apply to Federally Funded contracts.

#### 37.0 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.

#### 38.0 METHOD OF AWARD:

DOT/PF is required by law to award "to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder whose bid conforms in all MATERIAL respects to the requirements and criteria set out in the invitation to bid." AS 36.30.170.

All specifications in this ITB are important and bidders should carefully address each item. Deviation from a specification MAY result in rejection of a bid at the discretion of the Contracting Officer if the deviation is material. A material deviation is one that is significantly different from an essential aspect of a specification.

The Contracting Officer may be justified in accepting a non-material deviation - it will be determined upon the facts, circumstances, and the proposal in the bid. If a bid deviation has a negligible effect on price, quality, performance, delivery or contract conditions, it is not material and may be waived or corrected by the Contracting Officer. The State reserves the right to waive minor informalities or technical defects, which are not material, when such waiver is

in the best interest of the State.

Nothing in this section shall be construed as depriving the State of its discretion in the matter of determining the lowest responsible bidder.

A Notice of Intent to Award (ITA) will be issued for all solicitations in accordance with regulations. The notice of intent to award does not constitute a formal award of a contract. Formal award is achieved through execution of the "Offer and Contract Award" section of the Invitation to Bid.

#### 39.0 CONTRACTOR SELECTION PROCESS:

If multiple contracts are awarded and established this selection process will be used. When an agency needs security services the lowest contractor for that location will be contacted first. If, for any reason, the lowest contractor is not available to perform the needed service, the state will contact the next lowest contractor for that location. This process will continue until a contractor who can perform the service is located. The location of the contractor initially contacted will be determined by the starting location of the call-out. For instance, if a there was a need to transport a person from Anchorage to Fairbanks and then guard the person for two days in Fairbanks, the agency would contact Anchorage contractors, even though a substantial portion of the actual service would be performed in Fairbanks.

#### 40.0 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 contracting officer. A company or person who proceeds prior to receiving a Purchase Order, Contract Award, Lease, or some other form of written notice from the contracting officer does so without a contract and at their own risk.

#### **GENERAL PROCESS AND LEGAL INFORMATION:**

#### 41.0 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 and Alaskans with Disabilities Preference, a bidder must hold a valid Alaska business license at the time designated for bid opening. Bidders should contact the Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development, Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing, P. O. 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 (see front page).
- 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 affidavit 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.
- At the time designated for bid opening, all bidders must hold any other necessary applicable professional licenses required by Alaska Statute.

#### 42.0 AUTHORITY:

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

#### 43.0 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.

#### 44.0 SUITABLE MATERIALS, ETC .:

Unless otherwise specified, 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.

#### 45.0 SPECIFICATIONS:

Unless otherwise specified in the 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.

#### 46.0 CONTRACTOR SITE INSPECTION:

The state may conduct on-site visits to evaluate the bidder's capacity to perform the contract. A bidder must agree, at risk of being found non-responsive and having its bid rejected, to provide the state reasonable access to relevant portions of its work sites. Individuals designated by the procurement officer at the state's expense will make site inspection.

#### 47.0 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. 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.

#### 48.0 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: http://www.state.gov/g/tip/

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

#### 49.0 RIGHT OF REJECTION:

Bidders must comply with all of the terms of the ITB, the State Procurement Code (AS 36.30), and all applicable local, state, and federal 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 RFP;
- 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.

#### 50.0 BID PREPARATION COSTS:

The State is not liable for any costs incurred by the bidder in bid preparation.

#### 51.0 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.

Trade secrets and other proprietary data contained in bids may be held confidential if the bidder requests, in writing, that the procurement officer does so, and if the procurement officer agrees, in writing, to do so. The bidder's request must be included with the bid, must clearly identify the information they wish to be held confidential, and include a statement that sets out the reasons for confidentiality. Unless the procurement officer agrees in writing to hold the requested information confidential, that information will also become public after the Notice of Intent to Award is issued.

#### 52.0 ASSIGNMENT(S):

Assignment of rights, duties, or payments under a contract resulting from this ITB is not permitted unless authorized in writing by the procurement officer of the contracting agency. Bids that are conditioned upon the State's approval of an assignment will be rejected as nonresponsive.

#### 53.0 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.

#### 54.0 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.

#### 55.0 DISPUTES:

If a contractor has a claim arising in connection with a contract resulting from this ITB that it cannot resolve with the State by mutual agreement, it shall pursue a claim, if at all, in accordance with the provisions of AS 36.30.620 – 632.

#### 56.0 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.

#### 57.0 CONTRACT CANCELLATION:

The state reserves the right to cancel the contract at its convenience upon 30 calendar day's written notice to the contractor. The state is liable only for payment in accordance with the payment provisions of this contract for services or supplies provided before the effective date of termination.

#### 58.0 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 17 of these Standard Terms and Conditions, any claim concerning the contract shall be brought only in the Superior Court of the State of Alaska and not elsewhere.

#### 59.0 SOLICITATION ADVERTISING:

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

#### 60.0 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.

#### 61.0 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 taxes, 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.

#### 62.0 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 ten 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 ten 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."

#### STATE EQUIPMENT FLEET SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

#### 63.0 DELIVERY:

- 63.1 Pre-delivery service: Prior to delivery, each vehicle, piece of equipment or attachment shall be serviced and inspected by the dealer or his agent. Inspection must include the following (as applicable to the type of equipment):
  - 63.1.1 Dealer and vehicle identification.
  - 63.1.2 Check-off of service and inspection performed including a list of all fluids including type weight and specification that are in the equipment as delivered for all fluid compartments.
  - 63.1.3 The vehicle's crankcase, differential and transmission, and other fluid compartments shall be filled to the manufacturer's recommended capacity.
  - 63.1.4 Fuel tank shall be filled to at least register a minimum ¼ full on the fuel gauge, unless restricted by the commercial carrier, when the vehicle arrives at the delivery location.
  - 63.1.5 The vehicle shall be clean and free from defects when delivered and should be ready for immediate and continued use upon delivery.
  - 63.1.6 Units delivered in an incomplete state, or which have deficiencies per the specification, are subject to the damage charges as noted in paragraph 76.0 below.

#### 63.2 Inspections:

- 63.2.1 The State's inspection of all materials and equipment upon delivery is for the sole purpose of identification. Such inspection shall not be construed as final or as acceptance of the materials or equipment if materials or equipment do not conform to Contract requirements. If there are any apparent defects in the materials or equipment at the time of delivery, the State will promptly notify the Contractor thereof. Without limiting any other rights of the State, The State at its option, may require the Contractor to:
  - 63.2.1.1 repair or replace at contractor's expense, any or all of the damaged goods,
  - 63.2.1.2 refund the price of any or all of the damaged goods, or
  - 63.2.1.3 Accept the return of any or all of the damaged goods.

- 63.2.2 Costs of remedying all defects, indirect and consequential costs of correcting same, and/or removing or replacing any or all of the defective materials or equipment will be charged against the hidder
- 63.3 Acceptance: Units will not be considered "Accepted" until all deficiencies have been corrected.
- 63.4 Delivery Receipt:
  - 63.4.1 A delivery receipt will be required. The receipt must be filled out by the vendor and acknowledged by state receiving personnel by signature and date of actual receipt of equipment. One copy of this delivery receipt is to be given to the state-receiving agency.
  - 63.4.2 Vendors are cautioned and advised that such delivery forms or other receiving type documents will not in any way be construed to mean the state has formally and fully accepted unit(s) referenced thereon as complete and meeting every specification set forth. Only the Contracting Officer or designee may sign warranty documentation.

#### 64.0 BUILD SHEETS:

- 64.1 Build Sheets/Bill of Material: If requested, successful bidder shall provide a comprehensive listing of all components used to assemble the unit. Build sheets to include:
  - 64.1.1 Any components installed by the manufacturer, subcontractor, or the successful bidder.
  - 64.1.2 Information will include at a minimum, make, model serial number on items such as engines, transmissions, axles, tires, bodies, etc. The listings will be specific to each piece of equipment.
- 64.2 Parts & Service information: If requested, successful bidder shall provide a comprehensive listing of parts & service information.
  - 64.2.1 Information will include, at a minimum, list of all required filters, list of all required oil types by compartment, quantity of oil needed, service schedule listing required service items by hours/miles and date, and a recommended parts stock list.

#### 65.0 F.O.B. POINT:

- The F.O.B. point is as listed in Bid Price Schedule. Ownership of and title will remain with the contractor until delivery is complete to final destination and accepted by the State. Equipment is not to be driven on the Alcan Highway without prior written approval from the contracting officer.
- The cost of shipping and delivery for orders beyond the limits of Seattle/Tacoma dock will be handled as follows. The contractor will prepay the shipping and delivery charges to any destination named by the State in its order. The contractor will charge-back those shipping and delivery charges to the State as a separate line item on the State's invoice.
- All shipping charges over \$100 must be documented by a copy of the actual shipping invoice and received with the invoice charge to the State.
- Shipping must be consolidated for the best possible price. Shipping items separately must be pre-approved by the Contracting Officer PRIOR to shipment. For example, GP Bucket or Spare Tire not being shipped with host unit must be pre-approved.

#### 66.0 DAMAGES FOR LATE DELIVERY AND NON-CONFORMING GOODS:

- 66.1 Time is of the essence in this contract. The Bidder is expected to deliver goods that conform in all material respects to the contract specifications on or before the date provided therein, as may be amended by written agreement of the parties.
- In the event that the equipment is delivered late or does not conform to the contract specifications, the State shall be entitled to offset against the Contract Price, as liquidated damages and not as a penalty, an amount equal to the cost of renting like equipment, multiplied by the number of calendar days elapsing between the delivery date provided in the bid schedule and the delivery date to the State. In the case of equipment in this this class, that daily rental fee is determined to be \$10.00 The number of days for which liquidated damages shall apply shall include, in the case of non-conforming goods, the time reasonably necessary for the State to perform inspection.
- These liquidated damages represent a reasonable estimate of amounts necessary to compensate the State for loss of use of the goods during the period in which the goods would have been available to the State if conforming goods had been timely delivered.

#### 67.0 WARRANTY:

- 67.1 Standard Warranty Package: Unless otherwise stipulated by this ITB, the successful bidder will provide a one-year (12-month) warranty.
  - 67.1.1 Full (100%) Parts and Labor Warranty Coverage of all components for 12 months (year one), from the date the unit is placed in service at the assigned location.
  - 67.1.2 Full (100%) Warranty Coverage includes all cost of labor, parts, freight, lubricants, miscellaneous cost, etc., to place the unit in like-new condition.

- 67.1.3 Should the manufacturer's standard warranty exceed the minimum State warranty requirements, the manufacturer's warranty will run in conjunction with and enhance the State's warranty, then continue for the remainder of its term.
- 67.1.4 For clarification, warranty does not apply to normal wear and tear or maintenance items, accident damages, misuse of equipment or failure to operate or maintain equipment as prescribed by vendor/manufacturer.
- 67.1.5 Warranty on Attachments: Same as Standard Warranty Package.
- 67.1.6 In-Service Date: Warranty on vehicles not placed in service immediately upon receipt because of time lag to construct body components and/or installation of special equipment, or due to seasonal usage or other delay, shall be warranted from the date the vehicle is placed in service. The receiving agency shall notify the vendor/manufacturer in writing of the actual "in service" date. Notification of the requirement for delayed warranty will be provided on delivery orders whenever possible.

#### 67.2 Warranty Claims:

- Warranty will be provided at the unit's assigned (in-service) location. Because of the remote location of some equipment, it is not always practical to deliver equipment to authorized warranty repair facilities. In these cases, the vendor may perform warranty work at the state's location or, the State of Alaska, at its discretion, reserves the right to perform the warranty work and be reimbursed by the vendor. If travel is required by State personnel to perform the work, actual costs will be used for reimbursement.
- The State of Alaska has established a warranty procedure whereby the vendor is to be notified via letter, email, or fax, that warranty work needs to be performed. If time is of the essence, a telephone call confirmed by one of the above written procedures may be utilized.
- The vendor must notify the state within 24 hours of verbal or written notification that it will <u>begin to</u> perform the warranty work at the equipment location.
- 67.2.4 The State may, at its discretion, proceed to make warranty repairs with its own workforce in case of an emergency situation or to preclude excessive downtime (greater than 24 hours). The State will require a PO to perform the warranty work.
- 67.2.5 Failure to notify the State that the vendor intends to begin to perform warranty is considered a contractual breach.
- 67.2.6 The vendor will be invoiced for required warranty work performed by the state. Warranty work performed by the state will be charged at the current SEF shop labor rate at the time of the repair. Actual repair time will be used.

#### 67.3 Warranty Performed by Vendor:

- 67.3.1 The State will reimburse travel costs not reimbursed by the manufacturer for travel to and from the bidder's closest warranty service center within the State of Alaska to the location of the equipment under warranty. Travel costs will be billed as follows:
  - 67.3.1.1 Mileage will only be reimbursed for travel within Alaska at the rate allowable by the IRS
  - 67.3.1.2 Meals are paid at actual, and charges must be accompanied by receipts and are not to exceed the State authorized \$60.00 per day.
  - Transportation, such as airfare, shall be reimbursed at actual and all charges are to be accompanied by a receipt/copy of the coach ticket.
  - 67.3.1.4 Lodging shall be reimbursed at actual and shall not exceed \$150.00 per night unless no other lodging is available. Requests for reimbursement must be accompanied by a receipt.
- 67.3.2 Travel will only be reimbursed for time in Alaska.
- 67.3.3 After hours, weekend and holiday travel must be approved by the contracting officer to be considered for reimbursement. The State will not pay for weather delays.
- 67.4 Authorized Warranty (Contractor/Bidder):
  - 67.4.1 Contractor (bidder) must have Authorized Warranty Dealer that has all required licenses, facilities and factory certified and trained personnel necessary to perform the warranty servicing and repair work.
    - 67.4.1.1 Provide name and address for each Authorized Warranty Dealer for each location.
    - 67.4.1.2 Provide contact name and contact information for Warranty Administrator:
    - 67.4.1.3 Provide documentation of factory certified and trained personnel:

- 67.4.2 The ultimate responsibility for warranty lies with the contractor (bidder).
- 67.4.3 The State reserves the right to inspect the warranty facility and diagnostic equipment prior to issuing the Notice of Intent to Award a contract.

#### 67.5 Factory Recall:

Nationwide factory recall or product update programs are the responsibility of the vendor and/or manufacturer. The State will attempt to bring affected equipment to an authorized repair facility. However, because of the remoteness of some equipment this is not always practicable or economical. In such cases, factory recall, and modification work will be handled the same as warranty work. Factory recall notices sent to the state should, in addition to serial number, include model, year, and dealer.

#### 68.0 REPAIR ORDERS AND DOCUMENTATION:

- Any work performed by the contractor or approved subcontractor, whether warranty or any other work on a piece of equipment purchased under this ITB, will require a copy of the repair order, any invoices showing parts and commodities including oils and types used.
- 69.0 STATEMENT OF ORIGIN AND WEIGHT VERIFICATION SLIPS: The bidder will be required to furnish a Manufacturer's Statement of Origin for Automotive or Non-Automotive rolling stock for each unit. All such documents shall be delivered with the invoice to:

DOT&PF, HQ State Equipment Fleet 5420 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue Anchorage, Alaska 99507

#### 70.0 REPLACEMENT PARTS AND REPAIRS:

- 70.1 This contract encompasses a full parts and labor contract for manufacturer parts and repairs for the entire warranty period.
- 70.2 The State of Alaska shall expect the dealer or manufacturer to provide replacement wear parts at their authorized warranty facilities for the entire warranty period within seven (7) days of order. All other parts must be available within ten (10) working days.
- 70.3 Back-order procedures: Back orders are acceptable; however, the order shop shall be appraised at time of original orders as to the expected delay in delivery.
- 70.4 Warranty: All products supplied by the contractor shall be warranted against defects in materials and workmanship for a minimum of 90 days, commencing at the time of installation as long as the installation is within 12 months of purchase. The cost of any defective product and the labor required to replace the defective product shall be the obligation of the contractor.
  - 70.4.1 If the manufacturer's warranty exceeds the stated warranty, then manufacturer's warranty supersedes.
  - 70.4.2 Parts Return: Within 12 months of the invoice date, the State is to be allowed to return new parts with full refund, less actual shipping charges. <u>Cores returned within 12 months of original invoice date will receive full core credit</u>. Returned parts will be in new, resalable condition. Refund will be in the form of a credit/invoice credited to the SOA account with the vendor.
  - 70.4.3 Invoicing: Full description of item is required on all invoices, packing lists and billings.

#### 71.0 ACCESSORIES:

When accessories are supplied, they must be certified to be compatible with the rest of the equipment. Certification will be written evidence satisfactory to the state that the accessories are compatible. The bidder's failure to supply this evidence within the time required by the state will cause the state to consider the bid non-responsive and reject the bid.

#### 72.0 DELIVERY CONFIRMATION:

Bidders must obtain a confirmation from the manufacturer that the items offered are scheduled for production in sufficient time to meet the scheduled delivery dates. A copy of the manufacturer's confirmation may be included with the bid or submitted within 10 days of the state's request. The bidder's failure to provide the manufacturers confirmation as required will cause the state to consider the bid non-responsive and reject the bid.

#### 73.0 ADVANCE NOTICE OF DELIVERY:

The contractor must notify the freight company that delivers the order that the state facility receiving the order requires 24 hours advance notice of delivery.

#### **MANDATORY CONTRACT TERMS:**

#### 74.0 ANNOTATED LITERATURE:

Bidders must annotate their product literature to identify for the state the location of the supporting information regarding each product specification set out in this ITB. A bidder's failure to comply with this clause, within the time set by the state, will cause the state to consider the offer non-responsive and reject the bid.

#### 75.0 NEW EQUIPMENT:

Equipment and components offered in response to this ITB must be new equipment. New equipment means equipment that is currently in production by the manufacturer and is still the latest model, edition or version generally offered. The equipment must be warranted as new by the manufacturer and may not have been used for any purpose, other than display (not demonstration), prior to its sale to the state. The state will not accept remanufactured, used, or reconditioned equipment. It is the contractor's responsibility to ensure that each piece of equipment and components delivered to the state complies with this requirement. A contractor's failure to comply with this requirement will cause the state to seek remedies under breach of contract.

#### 76.0 BRAND AND MODEL OFFERED:

Unless otherwise specified, when brand names and model numbers are used to specify the type and quality of the goods desired, bidders must clearly indicate the brand names and model numbers they intend to provide. The bidder's failure to identify the brand and model offered will cause the state to consider the offer non-responsive and reject the bid.

#### 77.0 BRAND SPECIFIC:

Certain items may be designated brand specific. When an item is so designated no substitutions for the brand and model specified will be allowed.

#### 78.0 INSPECTION:

Equipment offered for lease may be subject to inspection and approval by the state prior to the award of the ITB. The equipment and attachments must be in good repair and capable of performing the work for which they were designed.

#### 79.0 ALTERATIONS:

The contractor must obtain the written approval from the contracting officer prior to making any alterations to the specifications contained in this ITB. The state will not pay for alterations that are not approved in advance and in writing by the contracting officer.

#### 80.0 DISCONTINUED ITEMS:

In the event an item is discontinued by the manufacturer during the life of the contract, another item may be substituted, provided that the contracting officer makes a written determination that it is equal to or better than the discontinued item and provided that it is sold at the same price or less than the discontinued item.

#### 81.0 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.

#### 82.0 SERVICE CHARGES:

Regardless whether the contractor repairs equipment on-site or off-site, the state will not be liable for any charges associated with the repair of broken equipment, including, but not limited to, unhooking, disassembly, packaging, crating, repair, transportation, replacement, reassembly, or rewiring.

#### 83.0 PARTS

Only parts designed for the purpose they are being used, and warranted as new, may be used in the repair of state equipment.

#### 84.0 COMPLETION OF SERVICE:

The service will not be complete, and the equipment will not be considered serviced, repaired, or acceptable until it performs in compliance with the manufacturer's published performance specifications.

#### 85.0 SERVICE TECHNICIAN QUALIFICATIONS:

Bidders must provide evidence that the person performing the service work is a manufacturer's authorized service Section I- Terms & Conditions technician; or the bidder may provide evidence that they have contracted with a manufacturer's authorized service technician to perform the service work.

Acceptable evidence of the service technician's competence may take the form of a letter or certificate, signed by an authorized officer of the manufacturer, that the service technician has been trained and authorized by the manufacturer to provide manufacturer's authorized warranty service.

The bidder's failure to provide the evidence mentioned above, within the time required by the state, may cause the state to consider the bid non-responsive and reject the bid.

#### 86.0 WORKMANSHIP & 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 finished item. The state will reject any item that does not meet the specifications of the ITB. Rejected items will be returned to the contractor at the contractor's risk and expense.

#### 87.0 NONDISCLOSURE AND CONFIDENTIALITY:

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 (i) 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 (ii) 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 state or federal 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.

#### **SPECIFICATION**

#### 100.0 GENERAL SPECIFICATION:

This specification describes a trailer-mounted attenuator (TMA) system for mobile work zone shadow vehicles and stationary work zone barrier vehicles.

The system provides impact protection during collisions into the rear of a truck in work zone operations. The system design dissipates the collision energy of standard passenger vehicles traveling at speeds up to 100 km/h (62mph).

The TMA system shall be designed to make attachment or detachment from the truck simple and fast. The major components stay together when detached from the support vehicle.

The assembly of frames shall be capable of collapsing when impacted by an errant vehicle. No portion of the TMA shall protrude forward under the truck damaging its vital elements during an impact. Further, the TMA shall not impede the line-of-sight of an arrow board or message board mounted on the host vehicle, installed meeting the requirements in the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

#### Documentation Required:

A basic manufacturer's product brochure describing the equipment bid is to be provided with your bid package. Specifications marked with an asterisk (\*) require supporting documentation in the form of a product brochure, manufacturer's technical data sheet, or a letter of clarification that indicates specifically what the bidder intends to supply regarding said items and/or how specifications will be met. To help prevent technical errors, following each asterisked item is space that may be used to address the asterisked items. It is required that a letter of clarification or the space behind the asterisked items be used to supply the required information.

#### TYPICAL UNIT:

SMT TMA or VORTEQ M TMA. Any other manufacturer and model offered must be pre-approved before bid submittal.

#### 101.0 LIGHTS AND VISIBILITY:

- 101.1 The TMA shall have a trailer lighting assembly per FMVSS No. 108 "Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment." All components shall be appropriate for their intended purpose under any adoptions issued by the NHTSA, SAE and FMVSS. This is standard practice for electrical lighting.
- 101.2 The TMA shall include brake lights, taillights, turn signals, reverse lights and an ICC bar light. Wires shall be routed in a protective, jacketed cable.
- 101.3 The cable shall be routed and secured to the frames at 450 (18") maximum intervals.
- 101.4 For repair or replacement, individual circuits shall be easily identified and accessible.
- 101.5 Molded connectors shall be used where individual wires would otherwise be exposed to the elements.
- 101.6 A standard, single 7 pin trailer connector shall make the connection for all lights to the back of the truck.
- 101.7 The TMA shall have two sets of lights so that the lighting meets FMVSS No. 108. Gravity flaps shall not be used to shield the light from forward-facing red lamps.
- 101.8 Conspicuity tape and reflectors shall be installed following the same established standards as the lighting.

#### 102.0 JACK:

102.1 One top wind hand crank jack with choice of detachable swivel caster or flat foot plate with a total rated load capacity of at least 1,200 lbs (545 kg) shall be supplied with the TMA.

#### 103.0 STRIPING:

103.1 The surface of the Impact Frame facing oncoming traffic, shall display a black on yellow inverted "V" chevron pattern with 6 in. wide color bands. The colors shall meet the value and tolerance limits established by MUTCD.

#### 104.0 WELDING:

104.1 All welding shall be done by, or under the direction of, a certified welder to AWS D1.1 or D1.3. Metal-work shall be made in America.

#### 105.0 GALVANIZATION:

105.1 All exposed steel surfaces on the TMA shall be hot dip galvanized after fabrication per ASTM A-123

#### 106.0 HARDWARE:

106.1 The trailer mounted attenuator shall be assembled with Commercial Quality bolts, nuts, and washers conforming to ANSI (American National Standard) specifications unless otherwise specified.

#### 107.0 CRASH TEST CRITERIA:

- 107.1 The TMA shall have been tested to and successfully passed all tests that fall under the guidelines of MASH Test Level 3 for TMA.
- 107.2 (\*) Supply an FHWA Hardware Eligibility Letter certifying that the TMA meets MASH Test Level 3 or higher.
- 107.3 The TMA shall be designed and constructed so no solid debris is present from the system that can create a hazard on the roadway after an impact. To minimize potential damage to the truck, no portion of the TMA's energy absorbing elements shall protrude forward damaging the vital elements of the truck's underside during an impact.

#### 108.0 MESSAGE BOARD/ARROW BOARD:

108.1 Connected arrow board technology that automatically transmits arrow board location and status to navigation systems (e.g. Waze, Google Maps) when the arrow board is activated. This connected technology should include the following features:

#### 108.1.1 Position:

- 108.1.1.1 Once activated, transmits GPS location and 'ON' status of the arrow board.
- 108.1.1.2 Once deactivated, transmits GPS location and 'OFF' status of the arrow board. Update's location and 'OFF' status at 4 hour intervals.
- 108.1.1.3 Information is transferred to navigation systems (e.g. Waze, Google Maps) and available for automobile in-dash systems.

#### 108.1.2 Arrow Mode:

108.1.2.1 Determines if the arrows are in the following modes:

108.1.2.1.1 LEFT/RIGHT/DOUBLE (static arrow, moving arrow, sequential arrow, sequential chevrons)

108.1.2.1.2 CAUTION (flashing corners, flashing line, alternating diamond)

#### 108.1.3 Board Status:

- 108.1.3.1 Once activated, the status of the arrow board is posted to XML within 2 minutes.
- 108.1.3.2 Upon deactivation, the status of the arrow board is posted to XML within 1 minute.
- 108.1.3.3 Transmits arrow panel status every 15 minutes.
- 108.1.3.4 Re-transmits location and status if the arrow panel moves more than 300 ft.
- 108.1.3.5 Certified application programming interface (API) feed with the following fields (\* indicates mandatory field):
  - 108.1.3.5.1 Start time\*
  - 108.1.3.5.2 End time / estimated end time
  - 108.1.3.5.3 Location coordinates\*
  - 108.1.3.5.4 Device ID\*
  - 108.1.3.5.5 Event type\*
  - 108.1.3.5.6 Event description\*
  - 108.1.3.5.7 Contractor info

#### 109.0 MISCELLANEOUS:

- 109.1 Host vehicle requirement shall be 10,000 lbs. minimum.
- 109.2 Spare tire and spare tire holder required. It must be same size as tires on trailer.
- 109.3 Pintle Hitch
- 109.4 No additional modifications should be required to host vehicle.
- 109.5 Roadside Hardware Eligibility Program (RHEP)
  - 109.5.1 (\*) Bidder must provide a statement that any product that is submitted by a manufacturer or vendor for this procurement must already be on the List of Approved Roadside Hardware per our Roadside Hardware Eligibility Program. The RHEP approved list can be found here: https://dot.alaska.gov/stwddes/dcsprecon/assets/rhep/rhep approved hardware.pdf

#### 110.0 TRAINING:

- 110.1 Supplier will be required to provide 1 day (8 hours) of training at each delivery location.
  - 110.1.1 6860 Glacier Hwy Juneau, AK 99801
  - 110.1.2 5420 Martin Luther King Jr Ave Anchorage, AK 99507
  - 110.1.3 2301 Peger Rd Fairbanks, AK 99708

**END OF SPECIFICATION** 

#### SECTION III BID SCHEDULE

#### **BID SCHEDULE INSTRUCTIONS:**

All bids must include both unit pricing and extensions and be otherwise complete in the format requested.

DELIVERY: Indicate, in the space(s) provided, the time required to make delivery after the receipt of an order (ARO). Failure to make an entry in the space(s) provided will be construed as an offer to deliver within "Required Delivery" <a href="NUMBER">NUMBER</a> of calendar days ARO. Bids which specify deliveries in excess of "Required Delivery" <a href="NUMBER">NUMBER</a> of calendar days ARO will be considered non-responsive and the bid(s) will be rejected.

The materials, equipment or services bid will conform to and meet the requirements of the Contract Bid Documents and are hereby incorporated into this document:

Complete the attached bid price sheets and return with other bid documents as required in Section I – Standard Terms and Conditions.

Item #	Unit	Description	Total Amount
1	ea.	6 - Trailer Mounted Attenuators, FOB Anchorage, AK	\$
		Year, Make & Model Offered:	
		Training in Anchorage, AK	\$
1	ea.	6 - Trailer Mounted Attenuators, FOB Juneau, AK	\$
		Year, Make & Model Offered:	
		Training in Juneau, AK	\$
1	ea.	8 - Trailer Mounted Attenuators, FOB Fairbanks, AK	\$
		Year, Make & Model Offered:	
		Training in Fairbanks, AK	\$

**Total Price for Award Purposes \$** 

The actual F.O.B. point for all items purchased under this contract is the final destination anywhere within the State of Alaska. Ownership of and title to the ordered items remains with the contractor until the items have been delivered at their final destination and are accepted by the State.

For pricing purposes, the F.O.B. point is listed above.

Required Delivery: Maximum 120 days after receipt of order (ARO).

Offered Delivered Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Days ARO.

#### THIS IS NOT AN ORDER

## SEALED BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE STATE EQUIPMENT FLEET PRIOR TO BID OPENING AT WHICH THEY WILL BE PUBLICLY OPENED.

<u>IMPORTANT NOTICE:</u> If you received this solicitation from the State's "Online Public Notice" web site, you must register with the Procurement Officer listed on this document to receive subsequent amendments. Failure to contact the Procurement Officer may result in the rejection of your offer.

BIDDER'S NOTICE: By signature on this form, the bidder certifies that:

- (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 of the following forms of evidence must be 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 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 State and Federal Government:
  - All terms and conditions set out in this Invitation to Bid (ITB).

If a bidder fails to comply with (1) at the time designated in the ITB for opening the State will reject the bid. 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. Bids must be submitted under the name as appearing on the person's current Alaska business license in order to be considered responsive.

If a contract award is made by the State of Alaska, the undersigned offers and agrees to furnish materials, equipment and services in compliance with all terms and conditions specified in ITB/Contract. Submittal of this document with authorized signature constitutes full understanding and a promise to comply with all specifications, terms and conditions of ITB/Contract.

TO BE COMPLETED BY BIDDER:		
COMPANY SUBMITTING BID	ADDRESS	ALASKA BUSINESS LICENSE NO:
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	CITY, STATE, ZIP	
PRINTED NAME	PHONE/FAX	
DATE	E-MAIL ADDRESS	

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## STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES

## REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS for FEDERAL-AID (FHWA) CONTRACTS

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#### I. GENERAL

1. Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated in each construction contract funded under Title 23 (excluding emergency contracts solely intended for debris removal). The contractor (or subcontractor) must insert this form in each subcontract and further require its inclusion in all lower tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services).

The applicable requirements of Form FHWA-1273 are incorporated by reference for work done under any purchase order, rental agreement or agreement for other services. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider.

Form FHWA-1273 must be included in all Federal-aid designbuild contracts, in all subcontracts and in lower tier subcontracts (excluding subcontracts for design services, purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services). The design-builder shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider.

Contracting agencies may reference Form FHWA-1273 in bid proposal or request for proposal documents, however, the Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated (not referenced) in all contracts, subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services related to a construction contract).

2. Subject to the applicability criteria noted in the following sections, these contract provisions shall apply to all work performed on the contract by the contractor's own organization and with the assistance of workers under the contractor's

immediate superintendence and to all work performed on the contract by piecework, station work, or by subcontract.

- 3. A breach of any of the stipulations contained in these Required Contract Provisions may be sufficient grounds for withholding of progress payments, withholding of final payment, termination of the contract, suspension / debarment or any other action determined to be appropriate by the contracting agency and FHWA.
- 4. Selection of Labor: During the performance of this contract, the contractor shall not use convict labor for any purpose within the limits of a construction project on a Federal-aid highway unless it is labor performed by convicts who are on parole, supervised release, or probation. The term Federal-aid highway does not include roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors.

#### II. NONDISCRIMINATION

The provisions of this section related to 23 CFR Part 230 are applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related construction subcontracts of \$10,000 or more. The provisions of 23 CFR Part 230 are not applicable to material supply, engineering, or architectural service contracts.

In addition, the contractor and all subcontractors must comply with the following policies: Executive Order 11246, 41 CFR 60, 29 CFR 1625-1627, Title 23 USC Section 140, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 USC 794), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26 and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The contractor and all subcontractors must comply with: the requirements of the Equal Opportunity Clause in 41 CFR 60-1.4(b) and, for all construction contracts exceeding \$10,000, the Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications in 41 CFR 60-4.3.

Note: The U.S. Department of Labor has exclusive authority to determine compliance with Executive Order 11246 and the policies of the Secretary of Labor including 41 CFR 60, and 29 CFR 1625-1627. The contracting agency and the FHWA have the authority and the responsibility to ensure compliance with Title 23 USC Section 140, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 USC 794), and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26 and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The following provision is adopted from 23 CFR 230, Appendix A, with appropriate revisions to conform to the U.S. Department of Labor (US DOL) and FHWA requirements.

1. Equal Employment Opportunity: Equal employment opportunity (EEO) requirements not to discriminate and to take affirmative action to assure equal opportunity as set forth under laws, executive orders, rules, regulations (28 CFR 35, 29 CFR 1630, 29 CFR 1625-1627, 41 CFR 60 and 49 CFR 27)

and orders of the Secretary of Labor as modified by the provisions prescribed herein, and imposed pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 140 shall constitute the EEO and specific affirmative action standards for the contractor's project activities under this contract. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) set forth under 28 CFR 35 and 29 CFR 1630 are incorporated by reference in this contract. In the execution of this contract, the contractor agrees to comply with the following minimum specific requirement activities of EEO:

- a. The contractor will work with the contracting agency and the Federal Government to ensure that it has made every good faith effort to provide equal opportunity with respect to all of its terms and conditions of employment and in their review of activities under the contract.
- b. The contractor will accept as its operating policy the following statement:
  - "It is the policy of this Company to assure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, religion, sex, color, national origin, age or disability. Such action shall include: 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, pre-apprenticeship, and/or on-the-job training."
- 2. **EEO Officer:** The contractor will designate and make known to the contracting officers an EEO Officer who will have the responsibility for and must be capable of effectively administering and promoting an active EEO program and who must be assigned adequate authority and responsibility to do so
- 3. Dissemination of Policy: All members of the contractor's staff who are authorized to hire, supervise, promote, and discharge employees, or who recommend such action, or who are substantially involved in such action, will be made fully cognizant of, and will implement, the contractor's EEO policy and contractual responsibilities to provide EEO in each grade and classification of employment. To ensure that the above agreement will be met, the following actions will be taken as a minimum:
- a. Periodic meetings of supervisory and personnel office employees will be conducted before the start of work and then not less often than once every six months, at which time the contractor's EEO policy and its implementation will be reviewed and explained. The meetings will be conducted by the EEO Officer.
- b. All new supervisory or personnel office employees will be given a thorough indoctrination by the EEO Officer, covering all major aspects of the contractor's EEO obligations within thirty days following their reporting for duty with the contractor.
- c. All personnel who are engaged in direct recruitment for the project will be instructed by the EEO Officer in the contractor's procedures for locating and hiring minorities and
- d. Notices and posters setting forth the contractor's EEO policy will be placed in areas readily accessible to employees, applicants for employment and potential employees.
- e. The contractor's EEO policy and the procedures to implement such policy will be brought to the attention of

employees by means of meetings, employee handbooks, or other appropriate means.

- **4. Recruitment:** When advertising for employees, the contractor will include in all advertisements for employees the notation: "An Equal Opportunity Employer." All such advertisements will be placed in publications having a large circulation among minorities and women in the area from which the project work force would normally be derived.
- a. The contractor will, unless precluded by a valid bargaining agreement, conduct systematic and direct recruitment through public and private employee referral sources likely to yield qualified minorities and women. To meet this requirement, the contractor will identify sources of potential minority group employees, and establish with such identified sources procedures whereby minority and women applicants may be referred to the contractor for employment consideration.
- b. In the event the contractor has a valid bargaining agreement providing for exclusive hiring hall referrals, the contractor is expected to observe the provisions of that agreement to the extent that the system meets the contractor's compliance with EEO contract provisions. Where implementation of such an agreement has the effect of discriminating against minorities or women, or obligates the contractor to do the same, such implementation violates Federal nondiscrimination provisions.
- c. The contractor will encourage its present employees to refer minorities and women as applicants for employment. Information and procedures with regard to referring such applicants will be discussed with employees.
- **5. Personnel Actions:** Wages, working conditions, and employee benefits shall be established and administered, and personnel actions of every type, including hiring, upgrading, promotion, transfer, demotion, layoff, and termination, shall be taken without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability. The following procedures shall be followed:
- a. The contractor will conduct periodic inspections of project sites to insure that working conditions and employee facilities do not indicate discriminatory treatment of project site personnel.
- b. The contractor will periodically evaluate the spread of wages paid within each classification to determine any evidence of discriminatory wage practices.
- c. The contractor will periodically review selected personnel actions in depth to determine whether there is evidence of discrimination. Where evidence is found, the contractor will promptly take corrective action. If the review indicates that the discrimination may extend beyond the actions reviewed, such corrective action shall include all affected persons.
- d. The contractor will promptly investigate all complaints of alleged discrimination made to the contractor in connection with its obligations under this contract, will attempt to resolve such complaints, and will take appropriate corrective action within a reasonable time. If the investigation indicates that the discrimination may affect persons other than the complainant, such corrective action shall include such other persons. Upon completion of each investigation, the contractor will inform every complainant of all of their avenues of appeal.

#### 6. Training and Promotion:

- a. The contractor will assist in locating, qualifying, and increasing the skills of minorities and women who are applicants for employment or current employees. Such efforts should be aimed at developing full journey level status employees in the type of trade or job classification involved.
- b. Consistent with the contractor's work force requirements and as permissible under Federal and State regulations, the contractor shall make full use of training programs, i.e., apprenticeship, and on-the-job training programs for the geographical area of contract performance. In the event a special provision for training is provided under this contract, this subparagraph will be superseded as indicated in the special provision. The contracting agency may reserve training positions for persons who receive welfare assistance in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 140(a).
- c. The contractor will advise employees and applicants for employment of available training programs and entrance requirements for each.
- d. The contractor will periodically review the training and promotion potential of employees who are minorities and women and will encourage eligible employees to apply for such training and promotion.
- 7. Unions: If the contractor relies in whole or in part upon unions as a source of employees, the contractor will use good faith efforts to obtain the cooperation of such unions to increase opportunities for minorities and women. Actions by the contractor, either directly or through a contractor's association acting as agent, will include the procedures set forth below:
- a. The contractor will use good faith efforts to develop, in cooperation with the unions, joint training programs aimed toward qualifying more minorities and women for membership in the unions and increasing the skills of minorities and women so that they may qualify for higher paying employment.
- b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to incorporate an EEO clause into each union agreement to the end that such union will be contractually bound to refer applicants without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability.
- c. The contractor is to obtain information as to the referral practices and policies of the labor union except that to the extent such information is within the exclusive possession of the labor union and such labor union refuses to furnish such information to the contractor, the contractor shall so certify to the contracting agency and shall set forth what efforts have been made to obtain such information.
- d. In the event the union is unable to provide the contractor with a reasonable flow of referrals within the time limit set forth in the collective bargaining agreement, the contractor will, through independent recruitment efforts, fill the employment vacancies without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability; making full efforts to obtain qualified and/or qualifiable minorities and women. The failure of a union to provide sufficient referrals (even though it is obligated to provide exclusive referrals under the terms of a collective bargaining agreement) does not relieve the contractor from the requirements of this paragraph. In the event the union referral practice prevents the contractor from meeting the obligations pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and these special provisions, such contractor shall immediately notify the contracting agency.

- 8. Reasonable Accommodation for Applicants / Employees with Disabilities: The contractor must be familiar with the requirements for and comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and all rules and regulations established there under. Employers must provide reasonable accommodation in all employment activities unless to do so would cause an undue hardship.
- 9. Selection of Subcontractors, Procurement of Materials and Leasing of Equipment: The contractor shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure nondiscrimination in the administration of this contract.
- a. The contractor shall notify all potential subcontractors and suppliers and lessors of their EEO obligations under this contract.
- b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to ensure subcontractor compliance with their EEO obligations.

#### 10. Assurance Required by 49 CFR 26.13(b):

- a. The requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 and the State DOT's U.S. DOT-approved DBE program are incorporated by reference.
- b. The contractor or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the contracting agency deems appropriate.
- 11. Records and Reports: The contractor shall keep such records as necessary to document compliance with the EEO requirements. Such records shall be retained for a period of three years following the date of the final payment to the contractor for all contract work and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of the contracting agency and the FHWA.
- a. The records kept by the contractor shall document the following:
- (1) The number and work hours of minority and nonminority group members and women employed in each work classification on the project;
  - (2) The progress and efforts being made in cooperation with unions, when applicable, to increase employment opportunities for minorities and women; and
  - (3) The progress and efforts being made in locating, hiring, training, qualifying, and upgrading minorities and women;
- b. The contractors and subcontractors will submit an annual report to the contracting agency each July for the duration of the project, indicating the number of minority, women, and non-minority group employees currently engaged in each work classification required by the contract work. This information is to be reported on Form FHWA-1391. The staffing data should

represent the project work force on board in all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July. If on-the-job training is being required by special provision, the contractor will be required to collect and report training data. The employment data should reflect the work force on board during all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July.

#### **III. NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related construction subcontracts of \$10,000 or more.

The contractor must ensure that facilities provided for employees are provided in such a manner that segregation on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin cannot result. The contractor may neither require such segregated use by written or oral policies nor tolerate such use by employee custom. The contractor's obligation extends further to ensure that its employees are not assigned to perform their services at any location, under the contractor's control, where the facilities are segregated. The term "facilities" includes waiting rooms, work areas, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, restrooms, washrooms, locker rooms, and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing provided for employees. The contractor shall provide separate or single-user restrooms and necessary dressing or sleeping areas to assure privacy between sexes.

#### IV. DAVIS-BACON AND RELATED ACT PROVISIONS

This section is applicable to all Federal-aid construction projects exceeding \$2,000 and to all related subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (regardless of subcontract size). The requirements apply to all projects located within the right-of-way of a roadway that is functionally classified as Federal-aid highway. This excludes roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors, which are exempt. Contracting agencies may elect to apply these requirements to other projects.

The following provisions are from the U.S. Department of Labor regulations in 29 CFR 5.5 "Contract provisions and related matters" with minor revisions to conform to the FHWA-1273 format and FHWA program requirements.

#### 1. Minimum wages

a. All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the site of the work, will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act (29 CFR part 3)), the full amount of wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalents thereof) due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the contractor and such laborers and mechanics.

Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under section 1(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of paragraph 1.d. of this section; also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(4). Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein: Provided, That the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination (including any additional classification and wage rates conformed under paragraph 1.b. of this section) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) shall be posted at all times by the contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers.

- b.(1) The contracting officer shall require that any class of laborers or mechanics, including helpers, which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. The contracting officer shall approve an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefore only when the following criteria have been met:
  - (i) The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination; and
  - (ii) The classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry; and
  - (iii) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.
  - (2) If the contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the contracting officer agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken shall be sent by the contracting officer to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, DC 20210. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.
  - (3) In the event the contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and the contracting officer do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the contracting officer shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the contracting officer, to the Wage and Hour Administrator for

determination. The Wage and Hour Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

- (4) The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraphs 1.b.(2) or 1.b.(3) of this section, shall be paid to all workers performing work in the classification under this contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.
- c. Whenever the minimum wage rate prescribed in the contract for a class of laborers or mechanics includes a fringe benefit which is not expressed as an hourly rate, the contractor shall either pay the benefit as stated in the wage determination or shall pay another bona fide fringe benefit or an hourly cash equivalent thereof.
- d. If the contractor does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the contractor may consider as part of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program, Provided, That the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the contractor, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the contractor to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program.

#### 2. Withholding

The contracting agency shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor, withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor under this contract, or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federallyassisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, which is held by the same prime contractor, so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics, including apprentices, trainees, and helpers, employed by the contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by the contract. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice, trainee, or helper, employed or working on the site of the work, all or part of the wages required by the contract, the contracting agency may, after written notice to the contractor, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased.

#### 3. Payrolls and basic records

a. Payrolls and basic records relating thereto shall be maintained by the contractor during the course of the work and preserved for a period of three years thereafter for all laborers and mechanics working at the site of the work. Such records shall contain the name, address, and social security number of each such worker, his or her correct classification, hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act), daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made and actual wages paid. Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(iv) that

the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act, the contractor shall maintain records which show that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, and that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and records which show the costs anticipated or the actual cost incurred in providing such benefits. Contractors employing apprentices or trainees under approved programs shall maintain written evidence of the registration of apprenticeship programs and certification of trainee programs, the registration of the apprentices and trainees, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs.

- b.(1) The contractor shall submit weekly for each week in which any contract work is performed a copy of all payrolls to the contracting agency. The payrolls submitted shall set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(i), except that full social security numbers and home addresses shall not be included on weekly transmittals. Instead the payrolls shall only need to include an individually identifying number for each employee ( e.g., the last four digits of the employee's social security number). The required weekly payroll information may be submitted in any form desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for this purpose from the Wage and Hour Division Web site at http://www.dol.gov/esa/whd/forms/wh347instr.htm or its successor site. The prime contractor is responsible for the submission of copies of payrolls by all subcontractors. Contractors and subcontractors shall maintain the full social security number and current address of each covered worker, and shall provide them upon request to the contracting agency for transmission to the State DOT, the FHWA or the Wage and Hour Division of the Department of Labor for purposes of an investigation or audit of compliance with prevailing wage requirements. It is not a violation of this section for a prime contractor to require a subcontractor to provide addresses and social security numbers to the prime contractor for its own records, without weekly submission to the contracting agency...
- (2) Each payroll submitted shall be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the contractor or subcontractor or his or her agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons employed under the contract and shall certify the following:
  - (i) That the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be provided under  $\S5.5$  (a)(3)(ii) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, the appropriate information is being maintained under  $\S5.5$  (a)(3)(i) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, and that such information is correct and complete;
  - (ii) That each laborer or mechanic (including each helper, apprentice, and trainee) employed on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in Regulations, 29 CFR part 3;
  - (iii) That each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification of work performed,

as specified in the applicable wage determination incorporated into the contract.

- (3) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH–347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by paragraph 3.b.(2) of this section.
- (4) The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under section 1001 of title 18 and section 231 of title 31 of the United States Code.
- c. The contractor or subcontractor shall make the records required under paragraph 3.a. of this section available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the contracting agency, the State DOT, the FHWA, or the Department of Labor, and shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the contractor or subcontractor fails to submit the required records or to make them available, the FHWA may, after written notice to the contractor, the contracting agency or the State DOT, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds. Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to 29 CFR 5.12.

#### 4. Apprentices and trainees

a. Apprentices (programs of the USDOL).

Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they performed when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, or if a person is employed in his or her first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such an apprenticeship program, who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services or a State Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice.

The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeymen on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the contractor as to the entire work force under the registered program. Any worker listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who is not registered or otherwise employed as stated above, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. Where a contractor is performing construction on a project in a locality other than that in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeyman's hourly rate) specified in the contractor's or subcontractor's registered program shall be observed.

Every apprentice must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered program for the apprentice's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeymen hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator determines that a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringes shall be paid in accordance with that determination.

In the event the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

b. Trainees (programs of the USDOL).

Except as provided in 29 CFR 5.16, trainees will not be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work performed unless they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration.

The ratio of trainees to journeymen on the job site shall not be greater than permitted under the plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration.

Every trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for the trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the trainee program. If the trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination unless the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the corresponding journeyman wage rate on the wage determination which provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices. Any employee listed on the payroll at a trainee rate who is not registered and participating in a training plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed.

In the event the Employment and Training Administration withdraws approval of a training program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

c. Equal employment opportunity. The utilization of apprentices, trainees and journeymen under this part shall be in conformity with the equal employment opportunity

requirements of Executive Order 11246, as amended, and 29 CFR part 30.

d. Apprentices and Trainees (programs of the U.S. DOT).

Apprentices and trainees working under apprenticeship and skill training programs which have been certified by the Secretary of Transportation as promoting EEO in connection with Federal-aid highway construction programs are not subject to the requirements of paragraph 4 of this Section IV. The straight time hourly wage rates for apprentices and trainees under such programs will be established by the particular programs. The ratio of apprentices and trainees to journeymen shall not be greater than permitted by the terms of the particular program.

- **5. Compliance with Copeland Act requirements.** The contractor shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR part 3, which are incorporated by reference in this contract.
- **6. Subcontracts.** The contractor or subcontractor shall insert Form FHWA-1273 in any subcontracts and also require the subcontractors to include Form FHWA-1273 in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5.
- **7. Contract termination: debarment.** A breach of the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5 may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 29 CFR 5.12.
- 8. Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act requirements. All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract.
- **9. Disputes concerning labor standards.** Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of this contract shall not be subject to the general disputes clause of this contract. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR parts 5, 6, and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this clause include disputes between the contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the contracting agency, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.

#### 10. Certification of eligibility.

- a. By entering into this contract, the contractor certifies that neither it (nor he or she) nor any person or firm who has an interest in the contractor's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).
- b. No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government contract by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).
- c. The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U.S. Criminal Code, 18 U.S.C. 1001.

## V. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT

The following clauses apply to any Federal-aid construction contract in an amount in excess of \$100,000 and subject to the overtime provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. These clauses shall be inserted in addition to the clauses required by 29 CFR 5.5(a) or 29 CFR 4.6. As used in this paragraph, the terms laborers and mechanics include watchmen and guards.

- 1. Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.
- 2. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1.) of this section, the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1.) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1.) of this section.
- 3. Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The FHWA or the contacting agency shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (2.) of this section.
- **4. Subcontracts.** The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (1.) through (4.) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1.) through (4.) of this section

#### VI. SUBLETTING OR ASSIGNING THE CONTRACT

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts on the National Highway System.

- 1. The contractor shall perform with its own organization contract work amounting to not less than 30 percent (or a greater percentage if specified elsewhere in the contract) of the total original contract price, excluding any specialty items designated by the contracting agency. Specialty items may be performed by subcontract and the amount of any such specialty items performed may be deducted from the total original contract price before computing the amount of work required to be performed by the contractor's own organization (23 CFR 635.116).
- a. The term "perform work with its own organization" refers to workers employed or leased by the prime contractor, and equipment owned or rented by the prime contractor, with or without operators. Such term does not include employees or equipment of a subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor, agents of the prime contractor, or any other assignees. The term may include payments for the costs of hiring leased employees from an employee leasing firm meeting all relevant Federal and State regulatory requirements. Leased employees may only be included in this term if the prime contractor meets all of the following conditions:
- the prime contractor maintains control over the supervision of the day-to-day activities of the leased employees;
- (2) the prime contractor remains responsible for the quality of the work of the leased employees;
- (3) the prime contractor retains all power to accept or exclude individual employees from work on the project; and
- (4) the prime contractor remains ultimately responsible for the payment of predetermined minimum wages, the submission of payrolls, statements of compliance and all other Federal regulatory requirements.
- b. "Specialty Items" shall be construed to be limited to work that requires highly specialized knowledge, abilities, or equipment not ordinarily available in the type of contracting organizations qualified and expected to bid or propose on the contract as a whole and in general are to be limited to minor components of the overall contract.
- 2. The contract amount upon which the requirements set forth in paragraph (1) of Section VI is computed includes the cost of material and manufactured products which are to be purchased or produced by the contractor under the contract provisions.
- 3. The contractor shall furnish (a) a competent superintendent or supervisor who is employed by the firm, has full authority to direct performance of the work in accordance with the contract requirements, and is in charge of all construction operations (regardless of who performs the work) and (b) such other of its own organizational resources (supervision, management, and engineering services) as the contracting officer determines is necessary to assure the performance of the contract.
- 4. No portion of the contract shall be sublet, assigned or otherwise disposed of except with the written consent of the contracting officer, or authorized representative, and such consent when given shall not be construed to relieve the contractor of any responsibility for the fulfillment of the contract. Written consent will be given only after the contracting agency has assured that each subcontract is

evidenced in writing and that it contains all pertinent provisions and requirements of the prime contract.

5. The 30% self-performance requirement of paragraph (1) is not applicable to design-build contracts; however, contracting agencies may establish their own self-performance requirements.

#### VII. SAFETY: ACCIDENT PREVENTION

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

- 1. In the performance of this contract the contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws governing safety, health, and sanitation (23 CFR 635). The contractor shall provide all safeguards, safety devices and protective equipment and take any other needed actions as it determines, or as the contracting officer may determine, to be reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the job and the safety of the public and to protect property in connection with the performance of the work covered by the contract.
- 2. It is a condition of this contract, and shall be made a condition of each subcontract, which the contractor enters into pursuant to this contract, that the contractor and any subcontractor shall not permit any employee, in performance of the contract, to work in surroundings or under conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous to his/her health or safety, as determined under construction safety and health standards (29 CFR 1926) promulgated by the Secretary of Labor, in accordance with Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3704).
- 3. Pursuant to 29 CFR 1926.3, it is a condition of this contract that the Secretary of Labor or authorized representative thereof, shall have right of entry to any site of contract performance to inspect or investigate the matter of compliance with the construction safety and health standards and to carry out the duties of the Secretary under Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C.3704).

## VIII. FALSE STATEMENTS CONCERNING HIGHWAY PROJECTS

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

In order to assure high quality and durable construction in conformity with approved plans and specifications and a high degree of reliability on statements and representations made by engineers, contractors, suppliers, and workers on Federal-aid highway projects, it is essential that all persons concerned with the project perform their functions as carefully, thoroughly, and honestly as possible. Willful falsification, distortion, or misrepresentation with respect to any facts related to the project is a violation of Federal law. To prevent any misunderstanding regarding the seriousness of these and similar acts, Form FHWA-1022 shall be posted on each Federal-aid highway project (23 CFR 635) in one or more places where it is readily available to all persons concerned with the project:

18 U.S.C. 1020 reads as follows:

"Whoever, being an officer, agent, or employee of the United States, or of any State or Territory, or whoever, whether a person, association, firm, or corporation, knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, or false report as to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of the material used or to be used, or the quantity or quality of the work performed or to be performed, or the cost thereof in connection with the submission of plans, maps, specifications, contracts, or costs of construction on any highway or related project submitted for approval to the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, false report or false claim with respect to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of any work performed or to be performed, or materials furnished or to be furnished, in connection with the construction of any highway or related project approved by the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement or false representation as to material fact in any statement, certificate, or report submitted pursuant to provisions of the Federal-aid Roads Act approved July 1, 1916, (39 Stat. 355), as amended and supplemented;

Shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 5 years or both."

### IX. IMPLEMENTATION OF CLEAN AIR ACT AND FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

By submission of this bid/proposal or the execution of this contract, or subcontract, as appropriate, the bidder, proposer, Federal-aid construction contractor, or subcontractor, as appropriate, will be deemed to have stipulated as follows:

- 1. That any person who is or will be utilized in the performance of this contract is not prohibited from receiving an award due to a violation of Section 508 of the Clean Water Act or Section 306 of the Clean Air Act.
- 2. That the contractor agrees to include or cause to be included the requirements of paragraph (1) of this Section X in every subcontract, and further agrees to take such action as the contracting agency may direct as a means of enforcing such requirements.

## X. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts, design-build contracts, subcontracts, lower-tier subcontracts, purchase orders, lease agreements, consultant contracts or any other covered transaction requiring FHWA approval or that is estimated to cost \$25,000 or more – as defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200.

#### 1. Instructions for Certification – First Tier Participants:

- a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective first tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
- b. The inability of a person to provide the certification set out below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this

covered transaction. The prospective first tier participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective first tier participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such a person from participation in this transaction.

- c. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the contracting agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the contracting agency may terminate this transaction for cause of default.
- d. The prospective first tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the contracting agency to whom this proposal is submitted if any time the prospective first tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- e. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a grantee or subgrantee of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a grantee or subgrantee of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).
- f. The prospective first tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal 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 department or agency entering into this transaction.
- g. The prospective first tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions," provided by the department or contracting agency, entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold.
- h. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the Excluded Parties List System website (<a href="https://www.epls.gov/">https://www.epls.gov/</a>), which is compiled by the General Services Administration.

- i. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require the establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of the prospective participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- j. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph (f) 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 department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

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## 2. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – First Tier Participants:

- a. The prospective first tier participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:
- Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
- (2) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property:
- (3) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(2) of this certification; and
- (4) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.
- b. Where the prospective participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

#### 2. Instructions for Certification - Lower Tier Participants:

(Applicable to all subcontracts, purchase orders and other lower tier transactions requiring prior FHWA approval or estimated to cost \$25,000 or more - 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200)

- a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier is providing the certification set out below.
- b. The certification in this clause 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 lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department, or agency with which

this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

- c. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- d. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred,"
  "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal,"
  and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined
  in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200. You may contact the person to
  which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a
  copy of those regulations. "First Tier Covered Transactions"
  refers to any covered transaction between a grantee or
  subgrantee of Federal funds and a participant (such as the
  prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions"
  refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered
  Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant"
  refers to the participant who has entered into a covered
  transaction with a grantee or subgrantee of Federal funds
  (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier
  Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a
  covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower
  Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).
- e. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal 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 department or agency with which this transaction originated.
- f. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold.
- g. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the Excluded Parties List System website (https://www.epls.gov/), which is compiled by the General Services Administration.
- h. 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 participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- i. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph e 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

department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

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## Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Participants:

- 1. The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency.
- 2. Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

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## XI. CERTIFICATION REGARDING USE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FOR LOBBYING

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts which exceed \$100,000 (49 CFR 20).

- 1. The prospective participant certifies, by signing and submitting this bid or proposal, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:
- a. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- b. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- 2. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.
- 3. The prospective participant also agrees by submitting its bid or proposal that the participant shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower tier subcontracts, which exceed \$100,000 and that all such recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

## ATTACHMENT A - EMPLOYMENT AND MATERIALS PREFERENCE FOR APPALACHIAN DEVELOPMENT HIGHWAY SYSTEM OR APPALACHIAN LOCAL ACCESS ROAD CONTRACTS

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid projects funded under the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965.

- 1. During the performance of this contract, the contractor undertaking to do work which is, or reasonably may be, done as on-site work, shall give preference to qualified persons who regularly reside in the labor area as designated by the DOL wherein the contract work is situated, or the subregion, or the Appalachian counties of the State wherein the contract work is situated, except:
- a. To the extent that qualified persons regularly residing in the area are not available.
- b. For the reasonable needs of the contractor to employ supervisory or specially experienced personnel necessary to assure an efficient execution of the contract work.
- c. For the obligation of the contractor to offer employment to present or former employees as the result of a lawful collective bargaining contract, provided that the number of nonresident persons employed under this subparagraph (1c) shall not exceed 20 percent of the total number of employees employed by the contractor on the contract work, except as provided in subparagraph (4) below.
- 2. The contractor shall place a job order with the State Employment Service indicating (a) the classifications of the laborers, mechanics and other employees required to perform the contract work, (b) the number of employees required in each classification, (c) the date on which the participant estimates such employees will be required, and (d) any other pertinent information required by the State Employment Service to complete the job order form. The job order may be placed with the State Employment Service in writing or by telephone. If during the course of the contract work, the information submitted by the contractor in the original job order is substantially modified, the participant shall promptly notify the State Employment Service.
- 3. The contractor shall give full consideration to all qualified job applicants referred to him by the State Employment Service. The contractor is not required to grant employment to any job applicants who, in his opinion, are not qualified to perform the classification of work required.
- 4. If, within one week following the placing of a job order by the contractor with the State Employment Service, the State Employment Service is unable to refer any qualified job applicants to the contractor, or less than the number requested, the State Employment Service will forward a certificate to the contractor indicating the unavailability of applicants. Such certificate shall be made a part of the contractor's permanent project records. Upon receipt of this certificate, the contractor may employ persons who do not normally reside in the labor area to fill positions covered by the certificate, notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (1c) above
- 5. The provisions of 23 CFR 633.207(e) allow the contracting agency to provide a contractual preference for the use of mineral resource materials native to the Appalachian region.

6. The contractor shall include the provisions of Sections 1 through 4 of this Attachment A in every subcontract for work which is, or reasonably may be, done as on-site work.

### SUPPLEMENT to Form FHWA -1273 CARGO PREFERENCE ACT REQUIREMENTS

This provision requires compliance with the Cargo Preference Act (CPA) and its implementing regulations in 46 CFR 381 for all Federal Aid Projects awarded after February 15, 2016.

In accordance with 46 CFR 381.7, the following language must be physically incorporated in each construction contract funded under Title 23 (excluding emergency contracts solely intended for debris removal). The contractor (or subcontractor) must insert this form in each subcontract and further require its inclusion in all lower tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services).

The applicable requirements of 46 CFR 381.7 are incorporated by reference for work done under any purchase order, rental agreement or agreement for other services. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider.

- (a) Agreement Clauses. Use of United States-flag vessels:
- (1) Pursuant to Pub. L. 664 (43 U.S.C. 1241(b)) at least 50 percent of any equipment, materials or commodities procured, contracted for or otherwise obtained with funds granted, guaranteed, loaned, or advanced by the U.S. Government under this agreement, and which may be transported by ocean vessel, shall be transported on privately owned United Statesflag commercial vessels, if available.
- (2) Within 20 days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the United States or within 30 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating outside the United States, a legible copy of a rated, 'on-board' commercial ocean bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo described in paragraph (a)(1) of this section shall be furnished to both the Contracting Officer (through the prime contractor in the case of subcontractor bills-of-lading) and to the Division of National Cargo, Office of Market Development, Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590."
- (b) Contractor and Subcontractor Clauses. Use of United States-flag vessels: The contractor agrees—
- (1) To utilize privately owned United States-flag commercial vessels to ship at least 50 percent of the gross tonnage (computed separately for dry bulk carriers, dry cargo liners, and tankers) involved, whenever shipping any equipment, material, or commodities pursuant to this contract, to the extent such vessels are available at fair and reasonable rates for United States-flag commercial vessels.
- (2) To furnish within 20 days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the United States or within 30 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating outside the United States, a legible copy of a rated, 'on-board' commercial ocean bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo described in paragraph (b) (1) of this section to both the Contracting Officer (through the prime contractor in the case of subcontractor bills-of-lading) and to the Division of National Cargo, Office of Market Development, Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590.
- (3) To insert the substance of the provisions of this clause in all subcontracts issued pursuant to this contract."