

STATE OF ALASKA

INVITATION TO BID (ITB)



PRINTING AND MAILING SERVICES

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THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, PERMANENT FUND DIVIDEND DIVISION IS REQUESTING QUOTATIONS FROM QUALIFIED VENDORS TO PROVIDE WEEKLY, MONTHLY, AND ANNUAL PRINTING AND MAILING SERVICES.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: If you received this solicitation from the State of Alaska's "Online Public Notice" web site, you must register with the procurement officer listed below if you desire to receive notification of subsequent amendments to the solicitation.

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

- (1) the bidder has a valid Alaska business license or will obtain one prior to award of any contract resulting from this ITB. If the bidder possesses a valid Alaska business license, the license number must be written below or one the following forms of evidence 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, under penalty of perjury, and that the bidder is complying with:
 - the laws of the State of Alaska;
 - the applicable portion of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964;
 - the Equal Employment Opportunity Act and the regulations issued thereunder by the state and federal government;
 - the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the regulations issued thereunder by the state and federal government;
 - the bid will remain open and valid for at least 90 days;
 - all terms and conditions set out in this Invitation to Bid (ITB).

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

DEPARTMENT OF Revenue	
Permanent Fund Dividend Division	COMPANY SUBMITTING BID
PROCUREMENT OFFICER:	AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE
KRISTIE ELY	PRINTED NAME
PHONE: (907) 465-2313	DATE
EMAIL: Kristie.ely@alaska.gov	

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SECTION 1. INTRODUCTION & INSTRUCTIONS

SEC. 1.01 PURPOSE OF THE ITB

The Department of Revenue, Permanent Fund Dividend Division, is soliciting bids for FROM QUALIFIED VENDORS TO PROVIDE WEEKLY, MONTHLY, AND ANNUAL PRINTING AND MAILING SERVICES.

SEC. 1.02 BUDGET

The Department of Revenue, Permanent Fund Dividend Division, estimates a budget of \$344,900 dollars for this contract. Bids priced at more than \$344,900.00 will be considered non-responsive.

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

SEC. 1.03 DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF BIDS

Bids must be received no later than Friday at 3pm, prevailing Alaska Time on September 17, 2026, at which time they will be publicly opened. Late bids or amendments will be considered non-responsive and will not be opened or accepted for evaluation.

SEC. 1.04 PRIOR EXPERIENCE

In order for a bid to be considered responsive the bidder must meet these minimum prior experience requirements:

- Five (5) years' experience providing printing and mailing services
- Management and competition of a minimum of 3 bulk printing and mailing projects of at least 100,000 pieces each.

A bidder's failure to meet and demonstrate in their proposal how they meet minimum prior experience requirements or provide fail to provide supporting documentation of how they meet the minimum requirements will cause their bid to be considered non-responsive and rejected.

SEC. 1.05 REQUIRED REVIEW

Bidders shall carefully review this ITB for defects and questionable or objectionable material. Comments concerning defects and questionable or objectionable material in the ITB should be made in writing and received by the procurement officer at least ten days before the deadline for receipt of bids. 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.

SEC. 1.06 QUESTIONS PRIOR TO DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF BIDS

All questions must be in writing and directed to the procurement officer and submitted by 3pm, Prevailing Alaskan Time, on September 3, 2026. The state is not responsible for answering questions that are submitted after the deadline. 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.

SEC. 1.07 SITE INSPECTION

Removed.

SEC. 1.08 RETURN INSTRUCTIONS

Offerors can submit a proposal as a hard copy or via email.

Bids submitted via hard copy: Bids must be provided in writing to the procurement officer in a sealed package. The sealed bid package(s) must be addressed as follows:

Department of Revenue Administrative Services Division
Attention: Kristie Ely
(ITB) Number: 2027-0400-0059- Printing and Mailing Services

If using U.S. mail, please use the following address:
PO Box 110410
Juneau, AK 99811-0410

If using a delivery service, please use the following address:
333 Willoughby Avenue, 11th Floor
Juneau, AK 99801

Faxed bids are not acceptable.

Please note that there is no same day delivery service to Juneau, Alaska, please allow enough time for the proposal to reach our Juneau offices.

Bids submitted via email: Bids are to be emailed to kristie.ely@alaska.gov, clearly labeled, and the email must contain the ITB number in the subject line. Offerors who fail to provide all required documents will cause all portions of the proposal to be disqualified.

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. It is the offeror's responsibility to contact the issuing agency at 907-465-2313 to confirm that the bid has been received. The state is not responsible for unreadable, corrupt, or missing attachments.

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

An offeror's failure to have the bid received before the deadline will cause the proposal to be disqualified. Late bids or amendments will not be opened or accepted for evaluation.

SEC. 1.09 ASSISTANCE TO BIDDERS WITH A DISABILITY

The State of Alaska complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Individuals with disabilities who may need auxiliary aids, services, and/or special modifications to submit a bid should contact the Procurement Officer no later than ten days prior to the closing of the bid to make any necessary arrangements.

SEC. 1.10 AMENDMENTS TO BIDS

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

SEC. 1.11 AMENDMENTS TO THE ITB

If an amendment is issued before the deadline for receipt of bids, the amendment will be posted on the State of Alaska Online Public Notice (OPN) website. The link to the posting of the amendment 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 OPN.

SEC. 1.12 ITB SCHEDULE

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

ACTIVITY	TIME	DATE
Issue Date / ITB Released		08/25/2026
Deadline for Receipt of Questions	3pm	09/03/2026
Deadline for Receipt of Bids / Bid Due Date	3pm	09/17/2026
Bid Evaluations Complete		09/18/2026
Notice of Intent to Award		09/18/2026
Contract Issued		06/23/2026

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

SEC. 1.13 PRE-BID Conference/Teleconference

Removed.

SEC. 1.14 ALTERNATE BIDS

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

SEC. 1.15 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Provided a bid meets the requirements for a definite, firm, unqualified, and unconditional offer, the state reserves the right to request supplemental information from the bidder, after the bids have been opened, to ensure that the products or services offered completely meet the ITB requirements. The requirement for such supplemental information will be at the reasonable discretion of the state and may include the requirement that a bidder 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, may cause the state to consider the offer non-responsive and reject the bid.

SEC. 1.16 FIRM, UNQUALIFIED, AND UNCONDITIONAL OFFER

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

SECTION 2. SCOPE OF WORK AND CONTRACT INFORMATION

SEC. 2.01 SCOPE OF WORK

The Permanent Fund Dividend Division (PFDD) has three types of letter runs, each on a different schedule and with different envelope/stock requirements. The weekly letter runs occur on a regular weekly schedule with the print files transferred on a Tuesday with the letters delivered to the USPS by the subsequent Friday. The dividend distribution letters occur on a pre-defined schedule printing once per month with two prints in October. The 1099-MISC are generated in January with a mailout date defined by the IRS.

Weekly Letter Runs:

- Schedule
 - The weekly letter runs occur on every Tuesday except for the first week of January.
 - The print files will be transmitted to the vendor Tuesday before 4pm Alaska time zone.
 - The letters must be delivered to the USPS on or before Friday immediately following the Tuesday print job.
 - Vendor must notify PFDD if the letters are not delivered to the USPS on schedule.
- Quantity
 - The quantity of letters, sheets, and pages is different on each letter run and from year to year. See **attachment A** for the 3-year average quantities broken down by week.
 - Vendor should include in their proposal, the maximum quantity of sheets that can be delivered to the USPS on-time given the defined letter schedule.
- Letter Stock
 - 8.5in x 11in white stock in minimum 20-pound paper weight.
 - Duplex printing in single color black.
- Envelopes
 - *Request For Information* (RFI) batch type – uses the white #10 with green #9 remit insert defined below.
 - *Denial* batch type – uses the white #10 with yellow #9 remit insert defined below.
 - *Tax Identification Number (TIN)* batch type – uses the white #10 with green #9 remit insert defined below.
- Print File
 - The print file can be provided as an RTF or PDF.
 - Benchmarks on the upper left margin are used to perform letter separation for envelope stuffing purposes. See **attachment B** for the benchmark specification.
 - Each file will contain
 - One coversheet
 - One or more ZIP code summary sheets
 - One or more letters
 - One double-sided end sheet
 - File size is limited by the number of letters within a batch (see quantity in this section). Large batches containing 4050 letters are typically less than 300MB.
 - A single mailing (batch) might span multiple files. The files will be uploaded in order and use a naming convention that denotes processing order. The resulting printed letters will need to be combined in the correct order for USPS presort purposes.

Monthly Dividend Distribution Notices:

- Schedule
 - The schedule is pre-defined for the upcoming calendar year. See **attachment C** for the 2021 schedule.
 - Generally, the print files will be transferred once per month on a Tuesday (with the corresponding weekly letter run) before 4pm. Letters are required to be delivered to the USPS on or before the subsequent Friday. The bulk of these letters will generate during the two mass payments in late September/early October; however, legislation was passed for the 2026 Dividend year that allows PFDD to send these letters electronically. We anticipate a significant reduction to the overall volume for these letter types. Because this is the first year of the legislation, PFDD has not been able to determine how much of a reduction it will be yet.
- Quantity
 - Each mailing is divided into batches (files) with a maximum of approximately 4050 letters. The quantity of pages varies between letters.
 - Most monthly payment runs see 1 batch. Each letter can be from 1 to 5 sheets (2-10 pages). Letter separation uses a benchmark stripe on left margin.
 - See **attachment A** for 5-year average.
- Letter Stock
 - 8.5in x 11in white stock in minimum 20-pound paper weight.
 - Duplex printing in single color black.
- Envelopes
 - White wove #10 window security envelope. See envelope details below.
- Print File
 - The print file can be provided as an RTF or PDF.
 - Benchmarks on the upper left margin are used to perform letter separation for envelope stuffing purposes. See **attachment B** for the benchmark specification.
 - Each file will contain
 - One coversheet
 - One or more ZIP code summary sheets
 - One or more letters
 - One double-sided end sheet
 - File size is limited by the number of letters within a batch (see quantity in this section). Large batches containing 4050 letters are typically less than 300MB.
 - A single mailing (batch) might span multiple files. The files will be uploaded in order and use a naming convention that denotes processing order. The resulting printed letters will need to be combined in the correct order for USPS presort purposes.

Annual Printing and Mailing of IRS form 1099

- Schedule
 - The 1099-MISC are generated in January with a mailout date defined by the IRS, typically prior to Feb 1. Note that this is currently a custom 1099-MISC, but the PFD Division is working towards utilizing the default IRS template in the near future.
- Quantity
 - The 4-year average is 224,395 1099-MISC mailings.
- Letter Stock
 - Preprinted with custom text on the back side which will be the same for every letter. This text changes once per year in January.
 - Front side will be unique for each letter and will be transferred in the print file.
 - Printing in single color black.

- Envelopes
 - White #10 windowed envelope with “Important PFD Information”
- Print File
 - The print file can be provided as an RTF or PDF.
 - There are no separation benchmarks since each letter is a single sheet.

Annual Printing and Mailing of TIN Letters

- Schedule
 - The TIN letters are typically generated in June after application processing is complete (historically May-July).
- Quantity
 - The 3-year average is 3,348 TIN mailings.
- Letter Stock
 - 8.5in x 11in white stock in minimum 20-pound paper weight.
 - Duplex printing in single color black.
- Envelopes
 - *Tax Identification Number (TIN)* batch type – **PFD** white #10 with green #9 remit insert defined below.
- Print File
 - The print file can be provided as an RTF or PDF.
 - Benchmarks on the upper left margin are used to perform letter separation for envelope stuffing purposes. See **attachment B** for the benchmark specification.
 - Each file will contain
 - One coversheet
 - One or more ZIP code summary sheets
 - One or more letters
 - One double-sided end sheet
 - File size is limited by the number of letters within a batch (see quantity in this section). Large batches containing 4050 letters are typically less than 300MB.
 - A single mailing (batch) might span multiple files. The files will be uploaded in order and use a naming convention that denotes processing order. The resulting printed letters will need to be combined in the correct order for USPS presort purposes.

Annual Printing and Mailing of Prenote Letters

- Schedule
 - The Prenote letters are typically generated in June/July after application processing is complete
- Quantity
 - The 3-year average is 1,860 Prenote mailings.
- Letter Stock
 - 8.5in x 11in white stock in minimum 20-pound paper weight.
 - Duplex printing in single color black.
- Envelopes
 - White #10 with green #9 remit insert defined below.
- Print File
 - The print file can be provided as an RTF or PDF.
 - Benchmarks on the upper left margin are used to perform letter separation for envelope stuffing purposes. See **attachment B** for the benchmark specification.
 - Each file will contain
 - One coversheet
 - One or more ZIP code summary sheets

- One or more letters
 - One double-sided end sheet
- File size is limited by the number of letters within a batch (see quantity in this section). Large batches containing 4050 letters are typically less than 300MB.
- A single mailing (batch) might span multiple files. The files will be uploaded in order and use a naming convention that denotes processing order. The resulting printed letters will need to be combined in the correct order for USPS presort purposes.

General Requirements for all Mailing Types

- Postage
 - The print job will be sorted in ZIP code order. The vendor will be responsible for pre-sorting and barcoding the letters, if needed to meet USPS requirements.
 - The vendor will be responsible for presort CASS Certify and NCOA certification. Create all postal documentation and tray tags for mailings per USPS requirements. Sort, tray, tag, strap per USPS requirements and delivery to USPS.
 - Postage should be billed at the prevailing 1st class postal rate using the PFDD USPS funded account.
 - The vendor should attempt to achieve the largest postage discount applicable to the current print job.
- Envelopes
 - PFDD will not provide envelopes.
 - Envelopes will need to be printed with PFDD specific information
 - The various letter batch types require different envelopes. Each print file will contain a single batch type and therefore use the same envelope.
 - White #10 – See **attachment D** for image.
 - Windowed security envelope
 - Return address, centered text
 - **Alaska Department of Revenue**
 - Permanent Fund Dividend Division
 - PO Box 110462
 - Juneau, AK 99811-0462
 - FORWARDING SERVICE REQUESTED
 - Recipient message, centered text, right of window
 - IMPORTANT
 - **PFD**
 - INFORMATION
 - Green #9 remit insert – See **attachment D** for image.
 - No return address.
 - Mailing address
 - **ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**
 - PERMANENT FUND DIVIDEND DIVISION
 - PO BOX 110462
 - JUNEAU, AK 99811-0462
 - USPS barcoded for destination mailing address.
 - Postage reminder text surrounded by stamp sized outline.
 - “The Post Office Will Not Deliver Without Postage”
 - Yellow #9 insert – See **attachment D** for image.
 - No return address.
 - Mailing address
 - **ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**

- PERMANENT FUND DIVIDEND DIVISION
 - PO BOX 110467
 - JUNEAU, AK 99811-0467
- USPS barcoded for destination mailing address.
- Postage reminder text surrounded by stamp sized outline.
 - “Place First Class Postage Here”
- Proof and Approval
 - After transferring the print files, a print preview should be available that allows PFDD to approve the print.

SEC. 2.02 CONTRACT TERM

The length of the contract will be from the date of award, approximately November 10, 2026 through November 9th, 2028 with Three (3) one (1) year renewal options to be exercised at the sole discretion of the state under the same term and conditions as the original contract.

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 notice to the contractor of the intent to cancel such month-to-month extension at least 30 days before the desired date of cancellation. A month-to-month extension may only be executed by the procurement officer via a written contract amendment.

SEC. 2.03 CONTRACT TYPE

This contract is a firm fixed price contract.

SEC. 2.04 PAYMENT FOR STATE PURCHASES

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

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.

SEC. 2.05 ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS

The State of Alaska prefers vendors receive payment via Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). Bidders may review information concerning the EFT process and access the [Electronic Payment Agreement Form for Vendors](https://doa.alaska.gov/dof/vendor.html) at the following link: <https://doa.alaska.gov/dof/vendor.html>. Method of payment is not a factor in the State's determination for award.

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

SEC. 2.06 PROMPT PAYMENT FOR STATE PURCHASES

Removed.

SEC. 2.07 CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

The administration of this contract is the responsibility of the procurement officer or person appointed by the Department of Revenue, Permanent Fund Dividend Division.

SEC. 2.08 CONTRACT PRICE ADJUSTMENTS

Removed.

SEC. 2.09 CONTRACT PERFORMANCE LOCATION

The state **WILL NOT** provide workspace for the contractor. The contractor must provide its own workspace.

Travel to other locations will not be required.

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

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

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

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

SEC. 2.10 THIRD-PARTY FINANCING AGREEMENTS NOT ALLOWED

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

SEC. 2.11 SUBCONTRACTORS

Subcontractors may be used to print envelopes under this contract. If a bidder intends to use subcontractors, the bidder must identify in the bids the names of the subcontractors and which envelopes the subcontractors will print under this contract.

Subcontractor experience **SHALL NOT** be considered in determining whether the bidder meets the requirements set forth in **SEC. 2.01 PRIOR EXPERIENCE**.

Note that if the subcontractor will not be performing work within Alaska, they will not be required to hold an Alaska business license.

SEC. 2.12 JOINT VENTURES

Joint ventures will not be allowed.

SEC. 2.13 RIGHT TO INSPECT PLACE OF BUSINESS

Removed.

SEC. 2.14 F.O.B. POINT

Removed.

SEC. 2.15 INSPECTION & MODIFICATION - REIMBURSEMENT FOR UNACCEPTABLE DELIVERABLES

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

SEC. 2.16 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Removed

SEC. 2.17 NEW EQUIPMENT

Removed.

SEC. 2.18 REMANUFACTURED/RECONDITIONED EQUIPMENT

Removed.

SEC. 2.19 LEMON CLAUSE

Removed.

SEC. 2.20 DISCONTINUED ITEMS

Removed.

SEC. 2.21 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

Removed.

SEC. 2.22 SHIPPING DAMAGE

Removed.

SEC. 2.23 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 and issued a written contract amendment.

SEC. 2.24 CONTINUING OBLIGATION OF CONTRACTOR

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

SEC. 2.25 BILLING INSTRUCTIONS

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

- 1. Contract Number**
- 2. Invoice Number**
- 3. Itemized list for goods and services provided**

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

SEC. 2.26 ESTIMATED QUANTITIES

The estimated annual use quantities referenced in this ITB are only estimates and may vary more or less from the quantities actually purchased. The state will use the estimated annual use numbers for the evaluation and award of the ITB, but the state does not guarantee any minimum purchase. Orders will be issued throughout the contract period by various state agencies on an as-needed basis.

SEC. 2.27 WARRANTY

Removed.

SEC. 2.28 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 provided by the state to the contractor or a contractor agent or otherwise made available to the contractor or a contractor agent in connection with this contract, or acquired, obtained or learned by the contractor or a contractor agent in the performance of this contract. Examples of confidential information include, but are not limited to technology infrastructure, architecture, financial data, trade secrets, equipment specifications, user lists, passwords, research data, and technology data (infrastructure, architecture, operating systems, security tools, IP addresses, etc.).

Additional information that the contractor shall hold as confidential during the performance of services under this contract include:

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.

SEC. 2.29 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 {SCF-1/V1/11.12.25}

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.

SEC. 2.30 INSURANCE

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

Certificates of Insurance must be furnished to the procurement officer prior to contract approval 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.

SECTION 3. BID FORMAT AND CONTENT

SEC. 3.01 BID FORMS

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

BIDDER'S CERTIFICATION

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

- A. the laws of the State of Alaska;
- B. the applicable portion of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964;
- C. the Equal Employment Opportunity Act and the regulations issued thereunder by the state and federal government;
- D. the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the regulations issued thereunder by the state and federal government and certifies that programs, services, and activities provided to the general public on behalf of the State under a contract resulting from this solicitation comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 28 CFR, Part 35, Subpart B 35.130;
- E. all terms and conditions set out in this ITB;
- F. the price(s) submitted was arrived at independently arrived and without collusion, under penalty of perjury; and
- G. that the bid will remain open and valid for at least 90 days.

If any bidder fails to comply with [a] through [g] of this paragraph, the state reserves the right to disregard the bid, terminate the contract, or consider the contractor in default.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Each bid shall include a statement indicating whether the company or any individuals working on the contract has a possible conflict of interest (e.g., currently employed by the State of Alaska or formerly employed by the State of Alaska within the past two years) and, if so, the nature of that conflict. The procurement officer reserves the right to **consider a bid non-responsive and reject it** or cancel the award if any interest disclosed from any source could either give the appearance of a conflict or cause speculation as to the objectivity of the contract to be performed by the bidder.

SEC. 3.02 BID BOND – PERFORMANCE BOND – SURETY DEPOSIT

Removed.

SEC. 3.03 PRICES

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

SECTION 4. EVALUATION AND CONTRACTOR SELECTION

SEC. 4.01 EVALUATION OF BIDS

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

SEC. 4.02 APPLICATION OF PREFERENCES

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

<https://oppm.doa.alaska.gov/policy-oversight/policy-resources/user-guide-matrixes/>

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

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

SEC. 4.03 ALASKA BIDDER PREFERENCE

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

- 1) holds a current Alaska business license prior to the deadline for receipt of bids;
- 2) submits a bid for goods or services under the name appearing on the bidder's current Alaska business license;
- 3) has maintained a place of business within the state staffed by the bidder, or an employee of the bidder, for a period of six months immediately preceding the date of the bid;

- 4) is incorporated or qualified to do business under the laws of the state, is a sole proprietorship and the proprietor is a resident of the state, is a limited liability company (LLC) organized under AS 10.50 and all members are residents of the state, or is a partnership under AS 32.06 or AS 32.11 and all partners are residents of the state; and
- 5) if a joint venture, is composed entirely of ventures that qualify under (1)-(4) of this subsection.

Alaska Bidder Preference Certification Form

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

SEC. 4.04 ALASKA VETERAN PREFERENCE

An Alaska Veteran Preference of 5%, not to exceed \$5,000, will be applied to the total bid price. The preference will be given to a bidder who qualifies under AS 36.30.990(2) as an Alaska Bidder and is a:

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

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

Alaska Veteran Preference Certification

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

SEC. 4.05 ALASKA MILITARY SKILLS PROGRAM PREFERENCE

An Alaska Military Skills Program Preference of 2%, not to exceed \$5,000, will be applied to the price in the proposal. The preference will be given to an offeror who qualifies under AS 36.30.990(2) as an Alaska bidder and:

- a) Employs at least one person who is currently enrolled in, or within the previous two years graduated from, a United States Department of Defense SkillBridge or United States Army career skills program for service members or spouses of service members that offers civilian work experience through specific industry training, pre-apprenticeships, registered apprenticeships, or internships during the last 180 days before a service member separates or retires from the service; or
- b) has an active partnership with an entity that employs an apprentice through a program described above.

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

Alaska Military Skills Program Preference Certification

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

In addition, proof of graduation of the qualifying employee from an eligible program as described in AS 36.30.321(l) must be provided to the Procurement Officer at time of bid submission. Bidders must provide clarification or additional information requested by the Procurement Officer related to the preference not later than 5:00 PM Alaska Time one (1) business day following the date of the request. Failure to provide sufficient documentation will result in the bidder not receiving the Military Skills Program Preference.

SEC. 4.06 USE OF LOCAL FOREST PRODUCTS

In a project financed by state money in which the use of timber, lumber and manufactured lumber is required, only timber, lumber and manufactured lumber products originating in this state from Alaska forests shall be used unless the use of those products has been determined to be impractical, in accordance with AS 36.15.010 and AS 36.30.322.

SEC. 4.07 LOCAL AGRICULTURAL AND FISHERIES PRODUCT PREFERENCE

When agricultural, dairy, timber, lumber, or fisheries products are purchased using state money, a seven percent (7%) preference shall be applied to the price of the products harvested in Alaska, or in the case of fisheries products, the products harvested or processed within the jurisdiction of Alaska, in accordance with AS 36.15.050.

SEC. 4.08 ALASKA PRODUCT PREFERENCE

A bidder that designates the use of an Alaska Product which meets the requirements of the ITB specifications and is designated as a Class I, Class II, or Class III Alaska Product by the Department of Community & Economic Development (DCCED) may receive a preference in the bid evaluation in accordance with AS 36.30.332 and 3 AAC 92.010.

To qualify for the preference, the product must have received certification from DCCED, be listed in the current published edition of the Alaska Products Preference List, and the bidder must provide the qualified product on a 100% basis. There are no provisions under Alaska Statutes or Regulations that allow for a product exchanges/substitutions or permit the product to be co-mingled with other products. Rather, AS 36.30.330 provides for a penalty for failing to use the designated Alaska products.

Products are classified in one of three categories:

- Class I products receive a 3% preference.
- Class II products receive a 5% preference.
- Class III products receive a 7% preference.

When the bids are evaluated, the preference percentage will be deducted from the product price. If a bidder fails to specify the brand being offered, no preference will be given. For more information on the Alaska Product Preference and to see the list of products currently on the Alaska Product Preference List, use the following web link:

<https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/dcra/AlaskaProductPreferenceProgram.aspx>

Brand Offered

If offering a product that qualifies for the Alaska Product Preference, the bidder must indicate the brand of product they intent to provide. If a bidder is not offering a product that qualifies for the Alaska Product Preference, the bidder does not need to indicate a product brand.

Brand of Product Changes

During the course of the contract including all renewal options, a contractor that offered a product that qualified for the Alaska Product Preference wishes to change the product brand, the contractor must first provide a written request, along with evidence that the replacement brand also qualifies for the Alaska Product Preference, for approval by the procurement officer. A contract amendment must be issued by the procurement officer to authorize the change.

If a bidder offers a product brand in the original bid that does not qualify for the Alaska Product Preference, a change in the product brand may be made at any time during the course of the contract, including all renewals, as long as the product band continues to meet the required specifications. A contract amendment is not required if the product brand originally offered did not qualify for the Alaska Product Preference.

SEC. 4.09 EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM PREFERENCE

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

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

SEC. 4.10 ALASKANS WITH DISABILITIES PREFERENCE

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

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

SEC. 4.11 PREFERENCE QUALIFICATION LETTER

Regarding the Employment Program Preference and the Alaskans with Disabilities Preference, the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation in the Department of Labor and Workforce Development maintains lists companies who qualify for those preferences. As evidence of a company's right to the preferences, the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation will issue a certification letter. To take advantage of the preferences, a bidder must be on the appropriate Division of Vocational

Rehabilitation list at the time the bid is opened and must attach a copy of their certification letter to their bid. The bidder's failure to provide this certification letter with their bid will cause the state to disallow the preference.

SEC. 4.12 EXTENSION OF PRICES

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

SEC. 4.13 METHOD OF AWARD

Award will be made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. To be considered responsive, bidders must bid on all items.

SEC. 4.14 CONTRACTOR SELECTION PROCESS

Once the contracts are established this selection process will be used. When the state needs to order the product or service, the lowest priced 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 priced 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 example, if 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.

SEC. 4.15 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 sent to each company or person who responded to the ITB. Bidders identified as the apparent low responsive bidders are instructed not to proceed until a Purchase Order, Contract Award, Lease, or some other form of written notice is given by the procurement officer. A company or person who proceeds prior to receiving a Purchase Order, Contract Award, Lease, or some other form of written notice from the procurement officer does so without a contract and at their own risk.

SECTION 5. GENERAL PROCESS AND LEGAL INFORMATION

SEC. 5.01 INFORMAL DEBRIEFING

When the contract is completed, an informal debriefing may be performed at the discretion of the procurement officer. If performed, the scope of the debriefing will be limited to the products provided or work performed by the contractor.

SEC. 5.02 ALASKA BUSINESS LICENSE AND OTHER REQUIRED LICENSES

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

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

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

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

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

SEC. 5.03 AUTHORITY

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

SEC. 5.04 COMPLIANCE

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

SEC. 5.05 SUITABLE MATERIALS, ETC.

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

SEC. 5.06 SPECIFICATIONS

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

SEC. 5.07 BRAND SPECIFIC

Removed.

SEC. 5.08 ITEM UPGRADES

Removed.

SEC. 5.09 WORKMANSHIP AND MATERIALS

All work must be performed in a thorough and workmanlike manner. Unless otherwise specified, press work and composition will be of a medium quality as indicated in the Franklin Catalog, producing a clean, clear, sharp impression. The contractor will be held responsible for the quality of the finished work. If any job is rejected because of error attributable to the contractor or authorized subcontractor, the state may, at its option, receive a no cost reprint, negotiate a lower price, or hold the contractor in default.

SEC. 5.10 CONTRACTOR SITE INSPECTION

Removed.

SEC. 5.11 ORDER DOCUMENTS

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

SEC. 5.12 HUMAN TRAFFICKING

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

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

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

SEC. 5.13 RIGHT OF REJECTION

Bidders must comply with all 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 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 counteroffer 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 bidders,
- do not change the meaning or scope of the ITB,
- are trivial, negligible, or immaterial in nature,
- do not reflect a material change in the work, or
- do not constitute a substantial reservation against a requirement or provision,

may be waived by the procurement officer.

The state reserves the right to refrain from making an award if it is determined to be in the state's best interest.

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

SEC. 5.14 STATE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR PREPARATION COSTS

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

SEC. 5.15 DISCLOSURE OF BID CONTENTS

This section governs the ownership, return, and disclosure of any offer or other record a bidder submits in response to this invitation to bid. (Herein, any reference to "Record" includes all such records and the offer; any reference to "Law" includes any federal or State of Alaska (State) law, including any court or administrative order or rule.)

1. All Records belong to the State.
2. The State has sole discretion regarding whether to return any Record. In exercising this discretion, the State will comply with all Laws.
3. Unless a notice of intent to award is issued, the State will, to the extent permitted by Law, consider all Records confidential and not subject to the Alaska Public Records Act (APRA).
4. If, and when a notice of intent to award is issued, the State will consider nonconfidential any Record unless, at the time of submission, the bidder undertook the following protective measures:
 - a. marked information confidential;
 - b. for any information marked confidential, identified the authority that makes that specific information confidential; and
 - c. committed, in writing, to explain in detail, including with affidavits and briefs, why each authority applies in any court or administrative proceeding in which any nondisclosure is challenged.
5. If the bidder did not undertake each protective measure, the State will not consider any information in a Record confidential: the State will disclose the entire Record without any redaction in response to an APRA or other request or, if it chooses, in the absence of a request and the State will disclose the entire Record without notifying the bidder.
6. If the bidder undertook each protective measure, the State will withhold the information marked confidential to the following extent:
 - a. the State agrees that the Law protects the information; and
 - b. if the nondisclosure is challenged, the bidder fulfills its commitment to explain, including with affidavits and briefs, how each authority applies to the information marked confidential.
7. The State will only notify a bidder of a request for the Record and of a planned release if the bidder undertook each protective measure, but the State disagrees that the marked information is protected. If there is such a disagreement, then before releasing the Record, the State will, to the extent permitted by Law and practicable, notify the bidder that it will disclose the information unless the bidder convinces the State not to or obtains an order prohibiting disclosure.

SEC. 5.16 ASSIGNMENTS

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

SEC. 5.17 FORCE MAJEURE (IMPOSSIBILITY TO PERFORM)

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

For the purposes of this ITB, Force Majeure will mean war (whether declared or not); revolution; invasion; insurrection; riot; civil commotion; sabotage; military or usurped power; lightning; explosion; fire; storm; drought; flood; earthquake;

epidemic; quarantine; strikes; acts or restraints of governmental authorities affecting the project or directly or indirectly prohibiting or restricting the furnishing or use of materials or labor required; inability to secure materials, machinery, equipment or labor because of priority, allocation or other regulations of any governmental authorities.

SEC. 5.18 DEFAULT

In case of default by the contractor, for any reason whatsoever, the state may 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.

SEC. 5.19 DISPUTES

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

SEC. 5.20 SEVERABILITY

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

SEC. 5.21 CONTRACT CANCELLATION

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

SEC. 5.22 GOVERNING LAW; FORUM SELECTION

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

SEC. 5.23 QUALIFIED BIDDERS

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

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

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

SEC. 5.24 FEDERALLY IMPOSED TARIFFS

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

- **Notification of Changes:** The contractor must promptly notify the procurement officer in writing of any new, increased, or decreased federal excise tax or duty that may result in either an increase or decrease in the contract 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.

SEC. 5.25 PROTEST

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

An interested party is defined in 2 AAC 12.990(a) (7) as "an actual or prospective bidder or bidder 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 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."

SECTION 6. ATTACHMENTS

SEC. 6.01 ATTACHMENTS

Attachments:

- 1) Attachment A: 3 Year, 4-year, and 5-year Average Letter Print
- 2) Attachment B: Pin Feed Paper Mailroom Benchmark Stripe Documentation
- 3) Attachment C: 2025 Monthly Dividend Disbursement Letter Schedule
- 4) Attachment D: Envelope Samples
- 5) Bid Schedule
- 6) State of Alaska Standard Contract Form - SAMPLE
- 7) Bid sheet
- 8) ITB Cover Submittal Form
- 9) Notice of Intend to Award
- 10) Standard Contract

ATTACHMENT SEVEN (7): BID SHEET

All quantities are estimates and used for bid consideration only. Actual quantities will vary and be indicated when orders are placed.

ITEM #	ESTIMATED QUANTITY PER RUN	UNIT	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	ANNUAL PRICE
1	2800 sheets	RUN	Weekly Letter Run (Annual Price = unit price x 52 runs)		
2	2700 sheets	RUN	Monthly Dividend Distribution Notice Run (Annual Price = unit price x 12 runs)		
3	224,462 sheets	RUN	Annual Printing and Mailing of IRS form 1099 Run (Annual Price = the unit price)		
4	3,352 sheets	RUN	Annual Printing and Mailing of TIN form Run (Annual Price= the unit price)		
5	1,860 sheets	RUN	Annual Printing and Mailing of Pre-Note Letter Run (Annual Price= the unit price)		
			Total price for 2-year firm term		
			Total cost for renewal year One (1)		
			Total cost for renewal year Two (2)		
			Total cost for renewal year Three (3)		
			TOTAL COST for 2-year firm term plus 3 1-year renewal options= 5 years		

COMPANY SUBMITTING BID

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

PRINTED NAME

DATE

Any bids submitted with a zero-dollar cost will be deemed non-responsive. If submitted bid exceeds \$344,900.00, the bid will be deemed non-responsive.

ATTACHMENT A IGH (8): BID SUBMISSION COVER SHEET

PROJECT INFORMATION

ITB NUMBER: _____

PROJECT NAME: _____

BIDDER INFORMATION

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Tax ID: _____

Alaska Business

License #: _____

CONTACT INFORMATION

Provide contact information for the individual that can be contacted for clarification regarding this bid:

Name _____

Title _____

Address _____

Email _____

Telephone _____

ADDENDA ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The bidder acknowledges receipt of the following amendments and has incorporated the requirements of such amendments into their bid. Failure to identify and sign for all amendments may subject the bidder to disqualification. The bidder must list all amendments (by number), then initial and date to confirm that you have received and incorporated them into your bid (add more rows as necessary).

Number	Initials & Date

Number	Initials & Date

Number	Initials & Date

CERTIFICATIONS

No	Criteria	Response*
1	The bidder is presently engaged in the business of providing the products and/or services required in this ITB.	☐ YES ☐ NO
2	The bidder confirms that it has the financial strength to provide and/or perform and maintain the services required under this ITB.	☐ YES ☐ NO
3	The bidder accepts the terms and conditions set out in the ITB and agrees not to restrict the rights of the state.	☐ YES ☐ NO
4	The bidder confirms that they can obtain and maintain all necessary insurance as required on this project.	☐ YES ☐ NO
5	The bidder certifies that all services provided under this contract by the contractor and all subcontractors shall be performed in the United States.	☐ YES ☐ NO
6	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.	☐ YES ☐ NO
7	The bidder complies with the American with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the regulations issued thereunder by the federal government.	☐ YES ☐ NO
8	The bidder complies with the Equal Employment Opportunity Act and the regulations issued thereunder by the federal government.	☐ YES ☐ NO
9	The bidder complies with the applicable portion of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964.	☐ YES ☐ NO
10	The bidder can provide (if requested) financial records for the organization for the past three years.	☐ YES ☐ NO
11	The bidder has not had any contracts terminated by the State of Alaska (within the past five years).	☐ YES ☐ NO
12	The bidder certifies that it is not currently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for award by any public or federal entity.	☐ YES ☐ NO
13	The offeror certifies that they will not support or participate in a boycott of Israel. Failure to comply with this requirement may cause the state to reject the proposal as non-responsive or cancel the contract.	☐ YES ☐ NO
14	The bidder certifies that they do not have any governmental or regulatory action against their organization that might have a bearing on their ability to provide products and/or services to the State.	☐ YES ☐ NO
15	The bidder certifies, within the last five years, they have not been convicted or had judgment rendered against them for: fraud, embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, false statements, or tax evasion.	☐ YES ☐ NO
16	The bidder does not have any judgments, claims, arbitrations or suits pending/outstanding against your company in which an adverse outcome would be material to the company.	☐ YES ☐ NO
17	The bidder is not (now or in the past) been involved in bankruptcy or reorganized proceeding.	☐ YES ☐ NO
18	The bidder certifies they comply with the laws of the State of Alaska.	☐ YES ☐ NO
19	The bidder confirms their bid will remain valid and open for at least 90 days.	☐ YES ☐ NO

* Failure to answer or answering "False" may be grounds for disqualification. For any "False" responses, provide clarification (up to 250 word maximum for each "False" clarification) below **(add rows as necessary)**.

Number	Clarification

CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT

Indicate below whether or not the firm or any individuals that will work 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 services to be provided by the bidder.

Does the bidder, or any individuals that will work on this contract, have a possible conflict of interest?

☐ YES ☐ NO

** Failure to answer may be grounds for disqualification.*

If "Yes", please provide additional information regarding the nature of that conflict:

FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS

Indicate below all known federal requirements that apply to the bid, it's evaluation, or the resulting contract:

ALASKA PREFERENCES

If you wish to claim any Alaska Preferences, please complete the Alaska Bidder Preference Certification Form that follows the below signature section.

SIGNATURE

This bid must be signed by a company officer empowered to bind the company.

Printed Name

Title

Date

Signature

ALASKA BIDDER PREFERENCE CERTIFICATION FORM

AS 36.30.321 (A) / AS 36.30.990 (2)

Solicitation Number	
Project Description	
Business Name	
Alaska Business License Number	

A signed copy of this form must be included with your bid or proposal no later than the deadline set for receipt of bids or proposals.

If you are submitting a bid or proposal as a **JOINT VENTURE**, all members of the joint venture must complete and submit this form before the deadline set for receipt of bids or proposals. [AS 36.30.990\(2\)\(E\)](#)

If the procuring agency is unable to verify a response, the preference may not be applied. Knowingly or intentionally making false or misleading statements on this form, whether it succeeds in deceiving or misleading, constitutes misrepresentation per [AS 36.30.687](#) and may result in criminal penalties.

SIGNATURE

By signature below, I certify under penalty of law that I am an authorized representative of the above entity and all information on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Printed Name:	
Title:	
Date:	
Signature:	

Alaska Bidder Preference: Do you believe your firm qualifies for the Alaska Bidder Preference?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Alaska Veterans Preference: Do you believe your firm qualifies for the Alaska Veteran Preference?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Alaska Military Skills Program Preference: Do you believe your firm qualifies for the Alaska Military Skills Program Preference?	☐ Yes ☐ No

To qualify for and claim the **Alaska Bidder Preference** you must answer **YES** to all questions in the Alaska Bidder Preference Question section below:

Alaska Bidder Preference Questions

1	Does your business hold a current Alaska business license per AS 36.30.990(2)(A)?	☐ Yes ☐ No
2	Is your business submitting a bid or proposal under the name appearing on the Alaska Business license identified above? Per AS36.30.990 (2)(B)?	☐ Yes ☐ No

3	Has your business maintained a place of business within the state staffed by the bidder or offeror or an employee of the bidder or offeror for a period of six months immediately preceding the date of the bid or proposal per AS 36.30.990 (2)(C)?	☐ Yes ☐ No
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If the answer to question 3 is YES, complete the following:

Physical Place of Business Address	
City	
Zip Code	

“Place of business” is defined as a location at which normal business activities are conducted, services are rendered, or goods are made, stored, or processed; a post office box, mail drop, telephone, or answering service does not, by itself, constitute a place of business per [2 AAC 12.990\(b\)\(3\)](#).

Do you certify the Place of Business identified above meets this definition?	☐ Yes ☐ No
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Per AS 16.05.415(a) per 2AAC 12.990(b)(7), the bidder or offeror, or at least one employee of the bidder or offeror must be a resident of the state?

1	Do you certify the bidder or offeror, or, at least one employee of the bidder or offeror is physically present in the state with the intent to remain in Alaska indefinitely and to make a home in the state per AS 16.05.415(a)(2)?	☐ Yes ☐ No
2	Do you certify the resident(s) used to meet this requirement has maintained a domicile in Alaska for the 12 months immediately preceding the deadline set for receipt of bids or proposals per AS 16.05.415(a)(2)?	☐ Yes ☐ No
3	Do you certify the resident(s) used to meet this requirement is only claiming residency in Alaska per AS 16.05.415(a)(3)?	☐ Yes ☐ No
4	Do you certify the resident used to meet this requirement is not obtaining benefits under a claim of residency in another state, territory, or country per As 16.05.415 (a)(4)?	☐ Yes ☐ No

Per AS 36.30.990(2)(D), is your business:

1	Incorporated or qualified to do business under the laws of the state?	☐ Yes ☐ No
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If yes, enter the current Alaska Corporate Entity Number:

Indicate below how your business is organized:

1	Is your business a Sole Proprietorship and the Proprietor is a resident of the state?	☐ Yes ☐ No
2	Is your business a Limited Liability Corporation organized under AS 10.50 and ALL members are residents of the state?	☐ Yes ☐ No

If the answer to question 2 above is YES, please identify each member by name:		
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3	Is your business a partnership under former AS32.05, AS32.06, or AS32.11 and all partners are residents of the state?	☐ Yes ☐ No
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If the answer to question 3 above is YES, please identify each partner by name:		
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Alaska Veterans Preference Questions:

To qualify for and claim the Alaska Veteran Preference, you must answer **YES** to the below questions as well as answer **YES** to all the questions in the Alaska Veteran Preference section above.

Per AS36.30.321(F), is your business:

1	A sole proprietorship owned by an Alaska veteran?	☐ Yes ☐ No
2	A partnership under AS32.06 or AS32.11 and a majority of the members are Alaska veterans?	☐ Yes ☐ No
3	A limited liability company organized under AS10.50 and a majority of the members are Alaska veterans?	☐ Yes ☐ No
4	A corporation that is wholly owned by individuals, and a majority of the individuals are Alaska veterans?	☐ Yes ☐ No

Per AS36.30.321(F)(3), an “Alaska veteran” is defined as an individual who:

- A. Served in the:
 - a. Armed forces of the United States, including a reserve unit of the United States armed forces ; or
 - b. Alaska Territorial Guard, The Alaska Army National Guard, the Alaska Air Nations Guards, or the Alaska Naval Militia; and,
- B. Was separated from services under a condition that was not dishonorable.

4	Do you certify the individual(s) indicated in items 1-4 above meet this definition and can provide documentation of their service and discharge in necessary?	☐ Yes ☐ No
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Alaska Military Skills Program Preference Questions

To qualify for and claim the Alaska Military Skills Program Preference, you must answer **YES** to the below questions as well as answer **YES** to all the questions in the Alaska Bidder Preference section above.

Per 36.30.321(I), does your business:

1	Employ at least one person who is enrolled in, or within the past two years, graduated from, a United States Department of Defense SkillBridge or United States Army career skills program that offers civilian work experience through specific industry training, pre-apprenticeships, registered apprenticeships, or internships during the last 180 days before a service member separates or retires from the service; or	☐ Yes ☐ No
2	Have an active partnership with an entity that employs an apprentice through a program described in item 1 above?	☐ Yes ☐ No
3	Have proof of an employee’s graduation or enrollment in a qualified program as described in 1. above?	☐ Yes ☐ No

STATE OF ALASKA

Department of NAME
Division of NAME



NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD A CONTRACT

THIS IS NOT AN ORDER

DATE ISSUED:

ITB NUMBER:

ITB SUBJECT:

PROCUREMENT OFFICER: SIGNATURE: _____

This is notice of the state's intent to award a contract. The figures shown below are a tabulation of the bids received with the apparent low bidder indicated. A bidder who wishes to protest this Notice of Intent must file the protest with the procurement officer within ten calendar days following the date of this notice. If the tenth day falls on a weekend or holiday, the last day of the protest period is the first working day following the tenth day. **The bidder identified below as being the lowest responsive and responsible bidder is instructed not to proceed until a contract award or other form of notice to proceed is given by the procurement officer.** If the bidder proceeds prior to receiving a contract award or other form of notice to proceed, the bidder does so without a contract and at their own risk. AS 36.30.365.

- LEGEND: @ = AWARD TO BIDDER
YES = RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE BIDDER
NO = NON-RESPONSIVE OR NON-RESPONSIBLE BIDDER
? = BID NOT EVALUATED BECAUSE THERE WAS A LOWER RESPONSIVE BID

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Total Bid Price</u>	<u>Responsive</u>	<u>Award</u>

SUMMARY

ATTACHMENT TEN (10): STANDARD AGREEMENT

STATE OF ALASKA					
STANDARD CONTRACT FORM			GOODS AND NON-PROFESSIONAL SERVICES		
The parties' contract comprises this Standard Contract Form as well as its referenced Articles and their associated Appendices					
1.Contract #		2.Contract Title			
3.VSS Vendor #		4.IRIS Transaction ID #		5.AK Business License #	
This contract is between the State of Alaska,					
6.Department of		7.Division		hereafter the State, and	
8.Contractor				hereafter the Contractor	
9.Mailing Address: Street or P.O. Box					
City		State		Zip Code+4	
Point of Contact:			Email Address		
10. ARTICLE 1. Appendices: Appendices referred to in this contract and attached to it are considered part of it. ARTICLE 2. Performance of Contract 2.1: Appendix A (General Conditions), Items 1 through 20, govern contract performance. 2.2: Appendix B sets forth the indemnification and insurance provisions of this contract. 2.3: Appendix C sets forth the scope of work/services to be performed by the Contractor. ARTICLE 3. Period of Performance: The Period of Performance for this contract begins on ____ and ends on _____. There are ____ renewal options available under this contract to be exercised solely by the state. ARTICLE 4. Consideration: 4.1: In full consideration of the Contractor's performance under this contract, the State shall pay the Contractor a sum not to exceed: \$_____ in accordance with the provisions of Appendix D. 4.2: When billing the State, the Contractor shall refer to the Agency Contract Number and send the billing to:					
11.Department of		Attn:		Division of	
Mailing Address: Street of P.O. Box					
City		State		Zip Code+4	
Point of Contact			Email Address		
12. CONTRACTOR			13. CONTRACTING AGENCY		
Name of Firm:			Department		Division
Signature of Authorized Representative			Signature of Procurement Officer		
Printed or Typed Name of Authorized Representative			Printed or Typed Name of Procurement Officer		
Date			Date		

NOTICE! This contract has no effect until signed by the head of the contracting agency, procurement officer or designee.

APPENDIX A

GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. Inspections and Reports:

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

2. Suitable Materials, etc.:

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

3. Disputes:

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

4. Default:

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

5. No Assignment or Delegation:

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

6. Contract Disclosure:

Except as otherwise protected by law, this contract and any amendment is a public record subject to disclosure under, for example, the Alaska Public Records Act. The contractor does not assert that any information in the contract is protected under federal or State of Alaska law.

7. No Additional Work or Material:

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

8. Independent Contractor:

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

9. Payment of Taxes:

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

10. Compliance:

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

11. Conflicting Provisions:

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

12. Officials Not to Benefit:

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

13. Contract Prices:

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

14. Contract Funding:

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

15. Force Majeure:

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

16. Contract Extension:

Unless otherwise provided, the State and the Contractor agree: (1) that any holding over of the contract excluding any exercised renewal options, will be considered as a month-to-month extension, and all other terms and conditions shall remain in full force and effect, and (2) to provide written notice to the other party of the intent to cancel such month-to-month extension at least thirty (30) days before the desired date of cancellation.

17. 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.

18. Continuing Obligation of Contractor:

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

19. Termination.

- a. The Procurement Officer, by written notice, may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, when it is in the best interest of the State. In the absence of a breach of contract by the Contractor, the State is liable only for payment in accordance with the payment provisions of this contract for services rendered before the effective date of termination.
- b. The Procurement Officer may also, by written notice, terminate this contract under Administrative Order 352 if the contractor supports or participates in a boycott of the State of Israel.

20. Governing Law; Forum Selection

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

APPENDIX B¹
INDEMNITY AND INSURANCE

Article 1. 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.

Article 2. 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.

2.1 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.

2.2 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 claim.

2.3 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 claim.