## **TIPS VENDOR AGREEMENT**

## PART 1 ONLY

Between	Landscape Structures Inc.	and	
	(Company Name)		

#### THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM (TIPS),

a Department of Texas Education Service Center Region 8 for

TIPS RFP 210702 Playground Equipment and Installation Services (2 PART with JOC) - PART 1 ONLY

#### **General Information**

The Vendor Agreement ("Agreement") made and entered into by and between The Interlocal Purchasing System (hereinafter "TIPS") a government cooperative purchasing program authorized by the Region 8 Education Service Center, having its principal place of business at 4845 US Hwy 271 North, Pittsburg, Texas 75686 and the TIPS Vendor. This Agreement consists of the provisions set forth below, including provisions of all attachments referenced herein. In the event of a conflict between the provisions set forth below and those contained in any attachment, the provisions set forth shall control unless otherwise agreed by the parties in writing and by signature and date on the attachment.

A Purchase Order ("PO"), Agreement or Contract is the TIPS Member's approval providing the authority to proceed with the negotiated delivery order under the Agreement. Special terms and conditions as agreed between the Vendor and TIPS Member should be added as addendums to the Purchase Order, Agreement or Contract. Items such as certificate of insurance, bonding requirements, small or disadvantaged business goals are some, but not all, of the possible addendums.

## **Terms and Conditions**

#### **Freight**

All quotes to Members shall provide a line item for cost for freight or shipping regardless if there is a charge or not. If no charge for freight or shipping, indicate by stating "No Charge", "\$0", "included in price" or other similar indication. Otherwise, all shipping, freight or delivery changes shall be passed through to the TIPS Member at cost with no markup and said charges shall be agreed by the TIPS Member unless alternative shipping terms are agreed by TIPS as a result of the proposal award.

#### **Warranty Conditions**

All new supplies equipment and services shall include <u>manufacturer's minimum standard warranty</u> unless otherwise agreed to in writing. Vendor shall be legally permitted to sell all products offered for sale to TIPS Members if the offering is included in the Request for Proposal ("RFP") category. All goods proposed and sold shall be new unless clearly stated in writing.

#### **Customer Support**

The Vendor shall provide timely and accurate customer support for orders to TIPS Members as agreed by the Parties. Vendors shall respond to such requests within a commercially reasonable time after receipt of the request. If support and/or training is a line item sold or packaged with a sale, support shall be as agreed

with the TIPS Member.

#### Agreements

Agreements for purchase will normally be put into effect by means of a contract, agreement, or purchase order(s) executed by authorized agents of the TIPS Member participating government entities, but other means of placing an order may be used at the Member's discretion. Vendor accepts and understands that when a purchase order or similar purchase document is sent from a customer through TIPS to the Vendor, TIPS is recording the purchase and verifying whether the purchase is within the parameters of the TIPS Contract only. Vendor agrees that TIPS is not a legal party to the purchase order or similar purchase document and TIPS is not responsible for identifying fraud, mistakes, or misrepresentations for the specific order. Vendor agrees that any purchase order or similar purchase document issued from a customer to Vendor, even when processed through TIPS, constitutes a legal contract between the customer and Vendor only. A Vendor that accepts a purchase order or similar purchase document and fulfills an order, even when processed through TIPS, is representing that the vendor has carefully reviewed the purchase order or similar purchase document for legality, authenticity, and accuracy.

#### Tax exempt status

Most TIPS Members are tax exempt and the related laws and/or regulations of the controlling jurisdiction(s) of the TIPS Member shall apply.

#### **Assignments of Agreements**

No assignment of this Agreement may be made without the prior notification of TIPS. Written approval of TIPS shall not be unreasonably withheld. Payment for delivered goods and services can only be made to the awarded Vendor, Vendor designated reseller or vendor assigned company.

#### **Disclosures**

- Vendor and TIPS affirm that he/she, or any authorized employees or agents, has not given, offered to
  give, nor intends to give at any time hereafter any economic opportunity, future employment, gift,
  loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor or service to a public servant in connection with this
  Agreement.
- Vendor shall attach, in writing, a complete description of any and all relationships that might be considered a conflict of interest in doing business with the TIPS program.
- The Vendor affirms that, to the best of his/her knowledge, the offer has been arrived at independently, and is submitted without collusion with anyone to obtain information or gain any favoritism that would in any way limit competition or give an unfair advantage over other vendors in the award of this Agreement.

#### **Term of Agreement and Renewals**

The Agreement with TIPS is for approximately three (3) years with an option for renewal for an additional one (1) consecutive year. If TIPS offers the renewal extension year, the Vendor will be notified by email to the primary contact of the awarded Vendor and shall be deemed accepted by the Vendor unless the awarded Vendor notifies TIPS of its objection to the additional term. TIPS may or may not exercise the available extension(s) provided in the original solicitation beyond the base three-year term. Whether or not to offer the extension is at the sole discretion of TIPS.

"Start Date" for Term Calculation Purposes Only: Regardless of actual award/effective date of Contract, for Agreement "term" calculation purposes only, the Agreement "start date" is the last day of the month that Award Notifications are anticipated as published in the Solicitation

**Example:** If the anticipated award date published in the Solicitation is May 22, 2020 but extended negotiations delay award until June 27, 2020 The end date of the resulting initial "three-year" term Agreement, (which is subject to an extension(s)) will still be May 31, 2023.

"Termination Date": The scheduled Agreement "termination date" shall be the last day of the month of the month of the Original Solicitation's Anticipated Award Date plus three years.

**Example:** If the original term is approximately three years, and the solicitation provides an anticipated award date of May 22, 2020, the expiration date of the original three-year term shall be May 31, 2023.

**Extensions:** Any extensions of the original term shall begin on the next day after the day the original term expires.

**Example Following the Previous Example:** If TIPS offers a one-year extension, the expiration of the extended term shall be May 31, 2024.

TIPS may offer to extend Vendor Agreements to the fullest extent the original Solicitation permits.

## Automatic Renewal Clauses Incorporated in Awarded Vendor Agreements with TIPS Members Resulting from the Solicitation and with the Vendor Named in this Agreement.

No Agreement for goods or services with a TIPS Member by the awarded vendor named in this Agreement that results from the solicitation award named in this Agreement, may incorporate an automatic renewal clause that exceeds month to month terms with which the TIPS Member must comply. All renewal terms incorporated in an Agreement by the vendor with the TIPS Member shall only be valid and enforceable when the vendor receives written confirmation by purchase order, executed Agreement or other written instruction issued by the TIPS Member for any renewal period. The purpose of this clause is to avoid a TIPS Member inadvertently renewing an Agreement during a period in which the governing body of the TIPS Member has not properly appropriated and budgeted the funds to satisfy the Agreement renewal. This term is not negotiable and any Agreement between a TIPS Member and a TIPS awarded vendor with an automatic renewal clause that conflicts with these terms is rendered void and unenforceable.

#### Shipments

The Vendor shall ship, deliver or provide ordered products or services within a commercially reasonable time after the receipt of the order from the TIPS Member. If a delay in said delivery is anticipated, the Vendor shall notify TIPS Member as to why delivery is delayed and shall provide an estimated time for completion of the order. TIPS or the requesting entity may cancel the order if estimated delivery time is not acceptable or not as agreed by the parties.

#### **Invoices**

Each invoice or pay request shall include the TIPS Member's purchase order number or other identifying designation as provided in the order by the TIPS Member. If applicable, the shipment tracking number or pertinent information for verification of TIPS Member receipt shall be made available upon request.

#### **Payments**

The TIPS Member will make payments directly to the Vendor, the Vendor Assigned Dealer or as agreed by the Vendor and the TIPS Member after receiving invoice and in compliance with applicable payment statute(s), whichever is the greater time or as otherwise provided by an agreement of the parties.

#### **Pricing**

Price increases will be honored according to the terms of the solicitation. All pricing submitted to TIPS shall include the participation fee, as provided in the solicitation, to be remitted to TIPS by the Vendor. Vendor will not show adding the fee to the invoice presented to TIPS Member customer.

#### Participation Fees and Reporting of Sales to TIPS by Vendor

The Participation Fee that was published as part of the Solicitation and the fee published is the legally effective fee, along with any fee conditions stated in the Solicitation. Collection of the fees by TIPS is required under Texas Government Code §791.011 Et seq. Fees are due on all TIPS purchases reported by either Vendor or Member. Fees are due to TIPS upon payment by the Member to the Vendor, Reseller or Vendor Assigned Dealer. Vendor, Reseller or Vendor Assigned Dealer agrees that the participation fee is due to TIPS for all Agreement sales immediately upon receipt of payment including partial payment, from the Member Entity and must be paid to TIPS at least on a monthly basis, specifically within 31 calendar days of receipt of payment, if not more frequently, or as otherwise agreed by TIPS in writing and signed by an authorized signatory of TIPS. Thus, when an awarded Vendor, Reseller or Vendor Assigned Dealer receives any amount of payment, even partial payment, for a TIPS sale, the legally effective fee for that amount is immediately due to TIPS from the Vendor and fees due to TIPS should be paid at least on a monthly basis, specifically within 31 calendar days of receipt of payment, if not more frequently.

#### Reporting of Sales to TIPS by Vendor

Vendor is required to report all sales under the TIPS contract to TIPS. When a public entity initiates a purchase with a TIPS Awarded Vendor, if the Member inquires verbally or in writing whether the Vendor holds a TIPS Contract, it is the duty of the Vendor to verify whether or not the Member is seeking a TIPS purchase. Once verified, the Vendor must include the TIPS Contract number on any communications and related sales documents exchanged with the TIPS Member entity. To report sales, the Vendor must login to the TIPS Vendor Portal online at https://www.tips-usa.com/vendors form.cfm and click on the PO's and Payments tab. Pages 3-7 of the Vendor Portal User Guide will walk you through the process of reporting sales to TIPS. Please refer to the TIPS Accounting FAQ's for more information about reporting sales and if you have further questions, contact the Accounting Team at accounting@tips-usa.com. The Vendor or vendor assigned dealers are responsible for keeping record of all sales that go through the TIPS Agreement and submitting same to TIPS. Failure to render the participation fee to TIPS shall constitute a breach of this agreement with our parent governmental entity, Texas Education Service Center Region 8, as established by the Texas legislature and shall be grounds for termination of this agreement and any other agreement held with TIPS and possible legal action. Any overpayment of participation fees to TIPS by a Vendor will be refunded to the Vendor within ninety (90) days of receipt of notification if TIPS receives written notification of the overpayment not later than the expiration of six (6) months from the date of overpayment and TIPS determines that the amount was not legally due to TIPS pursuant to this agreement and applicable law. It is the Vendor's responsibility to identify which sales are TIPS Agreement sales and pay the correct participation fee due for TIPS Agreement sales. Any notification of overpayment received by TIPS after the expiration of six (6) months from the date of overpayment will be non-refundable. Region 8 ESC and TIPS reserve the right to extend the six (6) month deadline to notify if approved by the Region 8 ESC Board of Directors. TIPS reserves all rights under the law to collect the fees due. Please contact TIPS at tips@tips-usa.com or call (866) 839-8477 if you have questions about paying fees.

#### Indemnity

The Vendor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless and defend TIPS, TIPS Member(s), officers and employees from and against all claims and suits by third parties for damages, injuries to persons (including death),

property damages, losses, and expenses including court costs and reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of, or resulting from, Vendor's performance under this Agreement, including all such causes of action based upon common, constitutional, or statutory law, or based in whole or in part, upon allegations of negligent or intentional acts on the part of the Vendor, its officers, employees, agents, subcontractors, licensees, or invitees. Parties found liable shall pay their proportionate share of damages as agreed by the parties or as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction over the case. **NO LIMITATION OF LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES FOR PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE ARE PERMITTED OR AGREED BY TIPS/ESC REGION 8.** Per Texas Education Code §44.032(f), and pursuant to its requirements only, reasonable Attorney's fees are recoverable by the prevailing party in any dispute resulting in litigation.

#### State of Texas Franchise Tax

By signature hereon, the Vendor hereby certifies that he/she is not currently delinquent in the payment of any franchise taxes owed the State of Texas under Chapter 171, Tax Code.

#### Miscellaneous

The Vendor acknowledges and agrees that continued participation in TIPS is subject to TIPS sole discretion and that any Vendor may be removed from the participation in the Program at any time with or without cause. Nothing in the Agreement or in any other communication between TIPS and the Vendor may be construed as a guarantee that TIPS or TIPS Members will submit any orders at any time. TIPS reserves the right to request additional proposals for items or services already on Agreement at any time.

#### **Purchase Order Pricing/Product Deviation**

If a deviation of pricing/product on a Purchase Order or contract modification occurs between the Vendor and the TIPS Member, TIPS must be notified within five (5) business days of receipt of change order.

#### **Termination for Convenience of TIPS Agreement Only**

TIPS reserves the right to terminate this agreement for cause or no cause for convenience with a thirty (30) days prior written notice. Termination for convenience is conditionally required under Federal Regulations 2 CFR part 200 if the customer is using federal funds for the procurement. All purchase orders presented to the Vendor, but not fulfilled by the Vendor, by a TIPS Member prior to the actual termination of this agreement shall be honored at the option of the TIPS Member. The awarded Vendor may terminate the agreement with ninety (90) days prior written notice to TIPS 4845 US Hwy North, Pittsburg, Texas 75686. The vendor will be paid for goods and services delivered prior to the termination provided that the goods and services were delivered in accordance with the terms and conditions of the terminated agreement. This termination clause does not affect the sales agreements executed by the Vendor and the TIPS Member customer pursuant to this agreement. TIPS Members may negotiate a termination for convenience clause that meets the needs of the transaction based on applicable factors, such as funding sources or other needs.

#### **TIPS Member Purchasing Procedures**

Usually, purchase orders or their equal are issued by participating TIPS Member to the awarded vendor and should indicate on the order that the purchase is per the applicable TIPS Agreement Number. Orders are typically emailed to TIPS at tipspo@tips-usa.com.

- Awarded Vendor delivers goods/services directly to the participating member.
- Awarded Vendor invoices the participating TIPS Member directly.
- Awarded Vendor receives payment directly from the participating member.
- Fees are due to TIPS upon payment by the Member to the Vendor. Vendor agrees to pay the participation fee to TIPS for all Agreement sales upon receipt of payment including partial payment, from

the Member Entity or as otherwise agreed by TIPS in writing and signed by an authorized signatory of TIPS.

#### Licenses

Awarded Vendor shall maintain, in current status, all federal, state and local licenses, bonds and permits required for the operation of the business conducted by awarded Vendor. Awarded Vendor shall remain reasonably fully informed of and in compliance with all ordinances and regulations pertaining to the lawful provision of goods or services under the Agreement. TIPS and TIPS Members reserves the right to stop work and/or cancel an order or terminate this or any other sales Agreement of any awarded Vendor whose license(s) required for performance under this Agreement have expired, lapsed, are suspended or terminated subject to a 30-day cure period unless prohibited by applicable statue or regulation.

#### **Novation**

If awarded Vendor sells or transfers all assets, rights or the entire portion of the assets or rights required to perform this Agreement, a successor in interest must guarantee to perform all obligations under this Agreement. A simple change of name agreement will not change the Agreement obligations of awarded vendor. TIPS will consider Contract Assignments on a case by case basis. TIPS must be notified within five (5) business days of the transfer of assets or rights.

#### Site Requirements (only when applicable to service or job)

**Cleanup**: When performing work on site at a TIPS Member's property, awarded Vendor shall clean up and remove all debris and rubbish resulting from their work as required or directed by TIPS Member or as agreed by the parties. Upon completion of work, the premises shall be left in good repair and an orderly, neat, clean and unobstructed condition.

**Preparation:** Awarded Vendor shall not begin a project for which TIPS Member has not prepared the site, unless awarded Vendor does the preparation work at no cost, or until TIPS Member includes the cost of site preparation in a purchase order. Site preparation includes, but is not limited to: moving furniture, installing wiring for networks or power, and similar pre-installation requirements.

Registered sex offender restrictions: For work to be performed at schools, awarded Vendor agrees that no employee of a subcontractor who has been adjudicated to be a registered sex offender will perform work at any time when students are, or reasonably expected to be, present unless otherwise agreed by the TIPS Member. Awarded Vendor agrees that a violation of this condition shall be considered a material breach and may result in the cancellation of the purchase order at the TIPS Member's discretion. Awarded Vendor must identify any additional costs associated with compliance of this term. If no costs are specified, compliance with this term will be provided at no additional charge. Safety measures: Awarded Vendor shall take all reasonable precautions for the safety of employees on the worksite, and shall erect and properly maintain all necessary safeguards for protection of workers and the public. Awarded Vendor shall post warning signs against all hazards created by the operation and work in progress. Proper precautions shall be taken pursuant to state law and standard practices to protect workers, general public and existing structures from injury or damage.

#### **Safety Measures**

Awarded Vendor shall take all reasonable precautions for the safety of employees on the worksite, and shall erect and properly maintain all necessary safeguards for protection of workers and the public. Awarded vendor shall post warning signs against all hazards created by the operation and work in progress. Proper precautions shall be taken pursuant to state law and standard practices to protect workers, general public and existing structures from injury or damage.

#### **Smoking**

Persons working under Agreement shall adhere to the TIPS Member's or local smoking statutes, codes or policies.

#### Marketing

Awarded Vendor agrees to allow TIPS to use their name and logo within TIPS website, marketing materials and advertisement subject to any reasonable restrictions provided to TIPS in the Proposal to the Solicitation. The Vendor may submit an acceptable use directive for Vendor's names and logos with which TIPS agrees to comply. Any use of TIPS name and logo or any form of publicity, inclusive of press release, regarding this Agreement by awarded vendor must have prior approval from TIPS which will not be unreasonably withheld. Request may be made by email to TIPS@TIPS-USA.COM.

#### **Supplemental Agreements**

The TIPS Member entity participating in the TIPS Agreement and awarded Vendor may enter into a separate Supplemental Agreement or contract to further define the level of service requirements over and above the minimum defined in this Agreement such as but not limited to, invoice requirements, ordering requirements, specialized delivery, etc. Any Supplemental Agreement or contract developed as a result of this Agreement is exclusively between the TIPS Member entity customer and the Vendor. TIPS, its agents, TIPS Members and employees not a party to the Supplemental Agreement with the TIPS Member customer, shall not be made party to any claim for breach of such agreement unless named and agreed by the Party in question in writing in the agreement. If a Vendor submitting a Proposal requires TIPS and/or TIPS Member to sign an additional agreement, those agreements shall comply with the award made by TIPS to the Vendor. Supplemental Vendor's Agreement documents may not become part of TIPS' Agreement with Vendor unless and until an authorized representative of TIPS reviews and approves it. TIPS review and approval may be at any time during the life of this Vendor Agreement. TIPS permits TIPS Members to negotiate additional terms and conditions with the Vendor for the provision of goods or services under the Vendor's TIPS Agreement so long as they do not materially conflict with this Agreement.

#### **Survival Clause**

All applicable sales, leases, Supplemental Agreements, contracts, software license agreements, warranties or service agreements that were entered into between Vendor and TIPS or the TIPS Member Customer under the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement. All Orders, Purchase Orders issued or contracts executed by TIPS or a TIPS Member and accepted by the Vendor prior to the expiration or termination of this agreement, shall survive expiration or termination of the Agreement, subject to previously agreed terms and conditions agreed by the parties or as otherwise specified herein relating to termination of this agreement.

#### **Legal obligations**

It is the responding Vendor's responsibility to be aware of and comply with all local, state and federal laws governing the sale of products/services identified in the applicable Solicitation that resulted in this Vendor Agreement and any awarded Agreement thereof. Applicable laws and regulations must be followed even if not specifically identified herein.

#### **Audit rights**

Due to transparency statutes and public accountability requirements of TIPS and TIPS Members', the awarded Vendor shall, at their sole expense, maintain appropriate due diligence of all purchases made by TIPS Member that utilizes this Agreement. TIPS and Region 8 ESC each reserve the right to audit the accounting of TIPS related purchases for a period of three (3) years from the time such purchases are made.

This audit right shall survive termination of this Agreement for a period of one (1) year from the effective date of termination. In order to ensure and confirm compliance with this agreement, TIPS shall have authority to conduct audits of Awarded Vendor's pricing or TIPS transaction documentation with TIPS Members with 30 days' notice unless the audit is ordered by a Court Order or by a Government Agency with authority to do so without notice. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that TIPS is made aware of any pricing being offered to eligible entities that is materially inconsistent with the pricing under this agreement, TIPS shall have the ability to conduct the audit internally or may engage a third- party auditing firm to investigate any possible non- compliant conduct or may terminate the Agreement according to the terms of this Agreement. In the event of an audit, the requested materials shall be reasonably provided in the time, format and at the location acceptable to Region 8 ESC or TIPS. TIPS agrees not to perform a random audit the TIPS transaction documentation more than once per calendar year, but reserves the right to audit for just cause or as required by any governmental agency or court with regulatory authority over TIPS or the TIPS Member.

#### **Force Majeure**

If by reason of Force Majeure, either party hereto shall be rendered unable wholly or in part to carry out its obligations under this Agreement then such party shall give notice and full particulars of Force Majeure in writing to the other party within a reasonable time after occurrence of the event or cause relied upon, and the obligation of the party giving such notice, so far as it is affected by such Force Majeure, shall be suspended during the continuance of the inability then claimed, except as hereinafter provided, but for no longer period, and such party shall endeavor to remove or overcome such inability with all reasonable dispatch.

#### Choice of Law

The Agreement between the Vendor and TIPS/ESC Region 8 and any addenda or other additions resulting from this procurement process, however described, shall be governed by, construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, regardless of any conflict of laws principles.

#### **Venue, Jurisdiction and Service of Process**

Any Proceeding arising out of or relating to this procurement process or any contract issued by TIPS resulting from or any contemplated transaction shall be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction in Camp County, Texas and each of the parties irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of said court in any such proceeding, waives any objection it may now or hereafter have to venue or to convenience of forum, agrees that all claims in respect of the Proceeding shall be heard and determined only in any such court, and agrees not to bring any proceeding arising out of or relating to this procurement process or any contract resulting from or any contemplated transaction in any other court. The parties agree that either or both of them may file a copy of this paragraph with any court as written evidence of the knowing, voluntary and freely bargained for agreement between the parties irrevocably to waive any objections to venue or to convenience of forum. Process in any Proceeding referred to in the first sentence of this Section may be served on any party anywhere in the world. Venue for any dispute resolution process, other than litigation, between TIPS and the Vendor shall be located in Camp or Titus County, Texas.

#### **Project Delivery Order Procedures**

The TIPS Member having approved and signed an interlocal agreement, or other TIPS Membership document, may make a request of the awarded Vendor under this Agreement when the TIPS Member desires goods or services awarded to the Vendor. Notification may occur via phone, the web, courier, email, fax, or in person. Upon notification of a pending request, the awarded Vendor shall acknowledge the TIPS Member's request as soon as possible, but must make contact with the TIPS Member within two working

days.

#### Status of TIPS Members as Related to This Agreement

TIPS Members stand in the place of TIPS as related to this agreement and have the same access to the proposal information and all related documents. TIPS Members have all the same rights under the awarded Agreement as TIPS.

#### Vendor's Resellers as Related to This Agreement

Vendor's Named Resellers ("Resellers") under this Agreement shall comply with all terms and conditions of this agreement and all addenda or incorporated documents. All actions related to sales by Authorized Vendor's Resellers under this Agreement are the responsibility of the awarded Vendor. If Resellers fail to report sales to TIPS under your Agreement, the awarded Vendor is responsible for their contractual failures and shall be billed for the fees. The awarded Vendor may then recover the fees from their named reseller.

#### **Support Requirements**

If there is a dispute between the awarded Vendor and TIPS Member, TIPS or its representatives may, at TIPS sole discretion, assist in conflict resolution if requested by either party. TIPS, or its representatives, reserves the right to inspect any project and audit the awarded Vendor's TIPS project files, documentation and correspondence related to the requesting TIPS Member's order. If there are confidentiality requirements by either party, TIPS shall comply to the extent permitted by law.

#### **Incorporation of Solicitation**

The TIPS Solicitation which resulted in this Vendor Agreement, whether a Request for Proposals, the Request for Competitive Sealed Proposals or Request for Qualifications solicitation, or other, the Vendor's response to same and all associated documents and forms made part of the solicitation process, including any addenda, are hereby incorporated by reference into this Agreement as if copied verbatim.

#### **SECTION HEADERS OR TITLES**

THE SECTON HEADERS OR TITLES WITHIN THIS DOCUMENT ARE MERELY GUIDES FOR CONVENIENCE AND ARE NOT FOR CLASSIFICATION OR LIMITING OF THE RESPONSIBILITES OF THE PARTIES TO THIS DOCUMENT.

#### **STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS**

Texas governmental entities are prohibited from doing business with companies that fail to certify to this condition as required by Texas Government Code Sec. 2270.

By executing this agreement, you certify that you are authorized to bind the undersigned Vendor and that your company (1) does not boycott Israel; and (2) will not boycott Israel during the term of the Agreement.

You certify that your company is not listed on and does not and will not do business with companies that are on the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts list of Designated Foreign Terrorists Organizations per Texas Gov't Code 2270.0153 found at <a href="https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/docs/foreign-terrorist.pdf">https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/docs/foreign-terrorist.pdf</a>

You certify that if the certified statements above become untrue at any time during the life of this Agreement that the Vendor will notify TIPS within three (3) business day of the change by a letter on Vendor's letterhead from and signed by an authorized representative of the Vendor stating the non-compliance decision and the TIPS Agreement number and description at:

Attention: General Counsel ESC Region 8/The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) 4845 Highway 271 North Pittsburg, TX,75686 And by an email sent to bids@tips-usa.com

#### **Insurance Requirements**

The undersigned Vendor agrees to maintain the below minimum insurance requirements for TIPS Contract Holders:

General Liability
Automobile Liability
Workers' Compensation

\$300,000 Includes owned, hired & non-owned Statutory limits for the jurisdiction in which the Vendor performs under this Agreement.

\$1,000,000 each Occurrence/ Aggregate

**Umbrella Liability** 

\$1,000,000

When the Vendor or its subcontractors are liable for any damages or claims, the Vendor's policy, when the Vendor is responsible for the claim, must be primary over any other valid and collectible insurance carried by the Member. Any immunity available to TIPS or TIPS Members shall not be used as a defense by the contractor's insurance policy. The coverages and limits are to be considered minimum requirements and in no way limit the liability of the Vendor(s). Insurance shall be written by a carrier with an A-; VII or better rating in accordance with current A.M. Best Key Rating Guide. Only deductibles applicable to property damage are acceptable, unless proof of retention funds to cover said deductibles is provided. "Claims made" policies will not be accepted. Vendor's required minimum coverage shall not be suspended, voided, cancelled, non-renewed or reduced in coverage or in limits unless replaced by a policy that provides the minimum required coverage except after thirty (30) days prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested has been given to TIPS or the TIPS Member if a project or pending delivery of an order is ongoing. Upon request, certified copies of all insurance policies shall be furnished to the TIPS or the TIPS Member.

## **Special Terms and Conditions**

- Orders: All Vendor orders received from TIPS Members must be emailed to TIPS at tipspo@tips-usa.com. Should a TIPS Member send an order directly to the Vendor, it is the Vendor's responsibility to forward a copy of the order to TIPS at the email above within 3 business days and confirm its receipt with TIPS.
- Vendor Encouraging Members to bypass TIPS agreement: Encouraging TIPS Members to purchase
  directly from the Vendor or through another agreement, when the Member has requested using the
  TIPS cooperative Agreement or price, and thereby bypassing the TIPS Agreement is a violation of the
  terms and conditions of this Agreement and will result in removal of the Vendor from the TIPS
  Program.
- Order Confirmation: All TIPS Member Agreement orders are approved daily by TIPS and sent to the Vendor. The Vendor should confirm receipt of orders to the TIPS Member (customer) within 3 business days.
- Vendor custom website for TIPS: If Vendor is hosting a custom TIPS website, updated pricing when

- effective. TIPS shall be notified when prices change in accordance with the award.
- Back Ordered Products: If product is not expected to ship within the time provided to the TIPS Member by the Vendor, the Member is to be notified within 3 business days and appropriate action taken based on customer request.

The TIPS Vendor Agreement Signature Page is inserted here.

## TIPS Vendor Agreement Signature Form

RFP 210702 Playground Equipment and Installation Services (2 PART with JOC) PART 1 ONLY

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City Delano State MN Zip 55328
763-972-3391 <sub>Fax</sub> 763-972-3185
Email of Authorized Representative elaineharkess@playlsi.com
Name of Authorized Representative Elaine Harkess
Title Contract Administrator
Signature of Authorized Representative Warne M- Hullyn
Date8/17/21
TIPS Authorized Representative Name David Fitts
Title Executive Director
TIPS Authorized Representative Signature
Approved by ESC Region 8 Java Nagne Fitte
Date 9/23/2021

## NOTICE TO MEMBERS REGARDING ATTRIBUTE RESPONSES

TIPS VENDORS RESPOND TO ATTRIBUTE QUESTIONS AS PART OF TIPS COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION PROCESS. THE VENDOR'S RESPONSES TO ATTRIBUTE QUESTIONS ARE INCLUDED HEREIN AS "SUPPLIER RESPONSE." PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT DEVIATIONS, IF ANY, IN VENDOR'S RESPONSE TO ATTRIBUTE QUESTIONS MAY NOT REFLECT VENDOR'S FINAL ATTRIBUTE RESPONSE, WHICH IS SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATIONS PRIOR TO AWARD. PLEASE CONTACT THE TIPS OFFICE AT 866-839-8477 WITH QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS REGARDING VENDOR ATTRIBUTE RESPONSE DEVIATIONS. PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT TIPS DOES NOT PROVIDE LEGAL COUNSEL TO MEMBERS. TIPS RECOMMENDS THAT YOU CONSULT YOUR LEGAL COUNSEL WHEN EXECUTING CONTRACTS WITH OR MAKING PURCHASES FROM TIPS VENDORS.

# Addendum to TIPS Vendor Agreement executed on or after September 1, 2021 Insert name of Vendor Landscape Structures Inc. TIPS Solicitation #\_21070201

#### CERTIFICATION REGARDING BOYCOTTING CERTAIN ENERGY COMPANIES

If (a) company is not a sole proprietorship; (b) company has ten (10) or more full-time employees; and (c) this contract has a value of \$100,000 or more that is to be paid wholly or partly from public funds, the following certification shall apply; otherwise, this certification is not required. Pursuant to TEX. GOV'T CODE Ch. 2274 of SB 13 (87th session), the company hereby certifies and verifies that the company, or any wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company, or affiliate of these entities or business associations, if any, does not boycott energy companies and will not boycott energy companies during the term of the contract. For purposes of this contract, the term "company" shall mean an organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or limited liability company, that exists to make a profit. The term "boycott energy company" shall mean "without an ordinary business purpose, refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations with a company because the company (a) engages in the exploration, production, utilization, transportation, sale, or manufacturing of fossil fuel-based energy and does not commit or pledge to meet environmental standards beyond applicable federal and state law, or (b) does business with a company described by paragraph (a)." See Tex. Gov't Code § 809.001(1).

Initials of Authorized Representative of Vendor, if applicable

#### CERTIFICATION PROHIBITING DISCRIMINATION AGAINST FIREARM AND AMMUNITION INDUSTRIES

If (a) company is not a sole proprietorship; (b) company has at least ten (10) full-time employees; (c) this contract has a value of at least \$100,000 that is paid wholly or partly from public funds; (d) the contract is not excepted under TEX. GOV'T CODE § 2274.003 of SB 19 (87th leg.); and (e) governmental entity has determined that company is not a sole-source provider or governmental entity has not received any bids from a company that is able to provide this written verification, the following certification shall apply; otherwise, this certification is not required. Pursuant to Tex. Gov't CODE Ch. 2274 of SB 19 (87th session), the company hereby certifies and verifies that the company, or association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or limited liability company, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary parent company, or affiliate of these entities or associations, that exists to make a profit, does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association and will not discriminate during the term of this contract against a firearm entity or firearm trade association. For purposes of this contract, "discriminate against a firearm entity or firearm trade association" shall mean, with respect to the entity or association, to: "(1) refuse to engage in the trade of any goods or services with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association; (2) refrain from continuing an existing business relationship with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association; or (3) terminate an existing business relationship with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association. See TEX. GOV'T CODE § 2274.001(3) of SB 19, "Discrimination against a firearm entity or firearm trade association" does not include: "(1) the established policies of a merchant, retail seller, or platform that restrict or prohibit the listing or selling of ammunition, firearms, or firearm accessories; and (2) a company's refusal to engage in the trade of any goods or services, decision to refrain from continuing an existing business relationship, or decision to terminate an existing business relationship to comply with federal, state, or local law, policy, or regulations or a directive by a regulatory agency, or for any traditional business reason that is specific to the customer or potential customer and not based solely on an entity's or association's status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association." See TEX. GOV'T CODE § 2274.001(3) of SB 19.

Initials of Authorized Representative of Vendor, if applicable

## CERTIFICATION REGARDING CERTAIN FOREIGN-OWNED COMPANIES IN CONNECTION WITH CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Client name is prohibited from entering into a contract or other agreement relating to critical infrastructure that would grant to the company direct or remote access to or control of critical infrastructure in this state, excluding access specifically allowed by the client name for product warranty and support purposes. Company, certifies that neither it nor its parent company nor any affiliate of company or its parent company, is (1) owned by or the majority of stock or other ownership interest of the company is held or controlled by individuals who are citizens of China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, or a designated country; (2) a company or other entity, including governmental entity, that is owned or controlled by citizens of or is directly controlled by the government of China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, or a designated country. For purposes of this contract, "critical infrastructure" means "a communication infrastructure system, cybersecurity system, electric grid, hazardous waste treatment system, or water treatment facility." See Tex. Gov't Code § 2274.0101(2) of SB 1226 (87th leg.). The company verifies and certifies that company will not grant direct or remote access to or control of critical infrastructure, except for product warranty and support purposes, to prohibited individuals, companies, or entities, including governmental entities, owned, controlled, or headquartered in China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, or a designated country, as determined by the Governor.

Initials of Authorized Representative of Vendor, if applicable



## 210702 Landscape Structures Inc. Supplier Response

#### **Event Information**

Number: 210702

Title: Playground Equipment and Installation Services (2 PART with JOC)

Type: Request for Proposal

Issue Date: 7/1/2021

Deadline: 8/20/2021 03:00 PM (CT)

Notes: This is a 2 PART solicitation. PART 1 is for projects that are not

> considered construction or a public work. It includes, but is not limited to, parts, supplies, maintenance services and repairs. PART 2 Job Order Contract (JOC) is for projects considered construction or public work projects. The determination of whether or not a project requires

a PART 2 JOC is the responsibility of the TIPS member entity.

Vendors are encouraged to respond to BOTH PARTS 1 and 2 to meet the needs of our members, but responses to both parts is not required.

#### **IF YOU CURRENTLY HOLD TIPS CONTRACT 180704**

Playground Equipment and Installation Services Part 1, Part 2, or both ("180704"), YOU MUST RESPOND TO PART 1, PART 2, OR BOTH PARTS OF THIS SOLICITATION TO PREVENT LAPSE OF CONTRACT UNLESS YOU HOLD ANOTHER CURRENT TIPS CONTRACT THAT COVERS ALL OF YOUR PLAYGROUND **EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATION OFFERINGS. THIS** 

AWARDED CONTRACT WILL REPLACE YOUR EXPIRING TIPS

**CONTRACT 180704.** 

## **Contact Information**

Address: Region 8 Education Service Center

4845 US Highway 271 North

Pittsburg, TX 75686

Phone: +1 (866) 839-8477 Email: bids@tips-usa.com

## **Landscape Structures Inc. Information**

Address: 601 7th Street S.

Delano, MN 55328

Phone: (763) 972-3391 Fax: (763) 972-3185 Toll Free: (800) 328-0035 Web Address: www.playlsi.com

By submitting your response, you certify that you are authorized to represent and bind your company.

Elaine Harkess elaineharkess@playlsi.com

Signature Email

Submitted at 8/19/2021 10:06:23 AM

## **Requested Attachments**

#### **Agreement Signature Form PART 1 ONLY**

210702 Agreement Signature Form PART 1 ONLY-LSI.pdf

If you have not taken exception or deviation to the agreement language in the solicitation attributes, download the AGREEMENT SIGNATURE FORM from the "ATTACHMENTS" tab. This PDF document is a fillable form. Download the document to your computer, fill in the requested company information, print the file, SIGN the form, SCAN the completed and signed AGREEMENT SIGNATURE FORM, and upload here.

If you have taken exception to any of the agreement language and noted the exception in the deviations section of the attributes for the agreement, complete the AGREEMENT SIGNATURE FORM, but DO NOT SIGN until those deviations have been negotiated and resolved with TIPS management. Upload the unsigned form here, because this is a required document.

#### **Vendor Agreement PART 1 ONLY**

210702 Vendor Agreement - PART 1 ONLY Landscape Structures Inc.pdf

The vendor must download the Vendor Agreement from the attachment tab, fill in the requested information and upload the completed agreement.

DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

#### Vendor Agreement PART 2 ONLY

No response

If proposing on Part 2, the vendor must download the Vendor Agreement from the attachment tab, fill in the requested information and upload the completed agreement.

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#### Agreement Signature Form PART 2 ONLY

No response

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#### Pricing Form 1 PART 1 ONLY

210702 Pricing Form 1 PART 1 ONLY Landscape Structures Inc.xlsx

The vendor must download the PRICING SPREADSHEET SHEET from the attachment tab, fill in the requested information and upload the completed spreadsheet.

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#### Pricing Form 2 PART 1 ONLY

210702 Pricing Form 2 PART 1 ONLY Landscape Structures Inc.xlsx

The vendor must download the PRICING SPREADSHEET SHEET from the attachment tab, fill in the requested information and upload the completed spreadsheet.

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#### OPTIONAL - PART 2 - JOC Pricing of Itemized List of RS Means Non-Prepriced Items

No response

The Vendor may download the optional Pricing of Itemized List of RS Means Non-Prepriced Items form from the attachment tab, fill in the requested information, and upload the completed spreadsheet. DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

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### Reference Form (PARTS 1 & 2)

Reference Form (PARTS 1 & 2) Landscape Structures Inc.xls

Valid Reference Email addresses are REQUIRED on the spreadsheet. The vendor must download the References spreadsheet from the attachment tab, fill in the requested information and upload the completed spreadsheet. DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

#### **Proposed Goods and Services**

Landscape Structures Product Links.docx

Please upload one or more documents or sheets describing your offerings, line cards, catalogs, links to offerings OR list links to your offerings that illustrate the catalog of proposed lines of goods and or services you carry and offer under this proposal. It does not have to be exhaustive but should, at a minimum tell us what you are offering. It could be as simple as a sheet with your link to your online catalog of goods and services.

#### D/M/WBE Certification OPTIONAL

No response

D/M/WBE Certification documentation may be scanned and uploaded if you desire to claim your status as one of the identified enterprises. (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise, Minority Business Enterprise and/or Woman Business Enterprise) If vendor has more than one certification scan into one document. (PDF Format ONLY) DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

#### Warranty

2021\_Warranties\_Landscape\_Structures.pdf

Warranty information (if applicable) must be scanned and uploaded. (PDF Format ONLY) DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

#### Supplementary

2021 History of Landscape Structures.pdf

Supplementary information can be scanned and uploaded. (Company information, brochures, catalogs, etc.) (PDF Format ONLY)

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#### **All Other Certificates**

ISO Certifications 9001 & 14001 Landscape Structures.pdf

All Other Certificates (if applicable) must be scanned and uploaded. If vendor has more than one other certification scan into one document. (PDF Format ONLY)

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#### **Logo and Other Company Marks**

LandscapeStructuresLogo.png

## Conflict of Interest Form CIQ- ONLY REQUIRED IF A CONFLICT EXISTS PER THE INSTRUCTIONS

No response

#### ONLY REQUIRED IF A CONFLICT EXISTS PER THE INSTRUCTIONS

Conflict of Interest Form for Vendors that are required to submit the form. The Conflict of Interest Form is included in the Base documents or can be found at https://www.tips-usa.com/assets/documents/docs/CIQ.pdf.

# Certificate of Corporate Offerer COMPLETE ONLY IF OFFERER IS A CORPORATION

COMPLETE AND UPLOAD FORM IN ATTACHMENTS SECTION ONLY IF OFFERER IS A CORPORATION

## Lobbying Report Standard Form-LLL, "disclosure Form to Report Lobbying,"

No response

If you answered "I HAVE Lobbied per above" to attribute #66, please download and complete and upload the Standard Form-LLL, "disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in the Response attachments section.

#### **Confidentiality Form**

210702 CONFIDENTIALITY CLAIM FORM Landscape Structures.pdf

CERTIFICATION OF CORPORATE OFFERER Landscape Structures Inc.pdf

REQUIRED CONFIDENTIALITY FORM. Complete the form according to your company requirements, make any desired attachments and upload to the appropriate section under "Response Attachments" THIS FORM DETERMINES HOW ESC8/TIPS RESPONDS TO LEGAL PUBLIC INFORMATION REQUESTS.

## Bonding Capacity Letter from Surety/Insurance Company

Bonding Capacity Landscape Structures 2021.pdf

REQUIRED IF YOU ARE PROPOSING ON PART 2 -Attach the Bonding Capacity Letter from Surety/Insurance Company. if you do not have one available at time of proposal, attached a letter stating it will be submitted when received to prove bonding capacity. No award can be made until official bonding capacity letter is received by TIPS.

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#### **Current W-9 Tax Form**

2021 W-9 Landscape Structures.pdf

You are required by TIPS to upload a current W-9 Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Tax Form for your entity. This form will be utilized by TIPS to properly identify your entity.

## **Response Attachments**

#### Landscape Structures Price Lists.pdf

Landscape Structures price lists

#### **Bid Attributes**

#### 1 Yes - No

Disadvantaged/Minority/Women Business Enterprise - D/M/WBE (Required by some participating governmental entities) Vendor certifies that their firm is a D/M/WBE? Vendor must upload proof of certification to the "Response Attachments" D/M/WBE CERTIFICATES section.

No

#### 2 Yes - No

Historically Underutilized Business - HUB (Required by some participating governmental entities) Vendor certifies that their firm is a HUB as defined by the State of Texas at https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/

or in a HUBZone as defined by the US Small Business Administration at https://www.sba.gov/offices/headquarters/ohp

Proof of one or both may be submitted. Vendor must upload proof of certification to the "Response Attachments" HUB CERTIFICATES section.

No

#### 3 Yes - No

The Vendor can provide services and/or products to all 50 US States?

Yes

#### 4 States Served:

If answer is NO to question #3, please list which states can be served. (Example: AR, OK, TX)

No response

#### **5** Company and/or Product Description:

This information will appear on the TIPS website in the company profile section, if awarded a TIPS contract. (Limit 750 characters.)

Since 1971, Landscape Structures Inc., located in Delano, Minn., has been the leading commercial playground equipment manufacturer in the world. Our employee-owned company designs community and school playgrounds that encourage kids of all ages and abilities to learn persistence, leadership, competition, bravery, support and empathy through play. We push the limits—of design, inclusion, play—to help kids realize there is no limit to what they can do today and in the future. And now, with the addition of our SkyWays Shade Division in Dallas, Texas, and Aquatix in Eden Prairie, Minn., we're able to provide a one-stop-shop for all your recreational needs. For a better tomorrow, we play today.

## **6 Primary Contact Name**

**Primary Contact Name** 

Elaine Harkess

## 7 Primary Contact Title

**Primary Contact Title** 

Contract Administrator

## 8 Primary Contact Email

Primary Contact Email

elaineharkess@playlsi.com

## 9 Primary Contact Phone

Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)

Example: 8668398477

7639725243

## 1 Primary Contact Fax

Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)

Example: 8668398477

7639723185

## 1 Primary Contact Mobile

Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)

Example: 8668398477

No response

## 1 Secondary Contact Name

Secondary Contact Name

Fred Caslavka

## 1 Secondary Contact Title

Secondary Contact Title

CFO

## 1 Secondary Contact Email

Secondary Contact Email

fredcaslavka@playlsi.com

## **1** Secondary Contact Phone

Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)

Example: 8668398477

7639725362

## Secondary Contact Fax

Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)

Example: 8668398477

No response

## 1 Secondary Contact Mobile

Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)

Example: 8668398477

No response

#### 1 Admin Fee Contact Name

Admin Fee Contact Name. This person is responsible for paying the admin fee to TIPS.

Elaine Harkess

#### 1 Admin Fee Contact Email

Admin Fee Contact Email

elaineharkess@playlsi.com

#### 2 Admin Fee Contact Phone

Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)

Example: 8668398477

7639725243

#### 2 Purchase Order Contact Name

Purchase Order Contact Name. This person is responsible for receiving Purchase Orders from TIPS.

Elaine Harkess

#### 2 Purchase Order Contact Email

Purchase Order Contact Email

elaineharkess@playlsi.com

#### Purchase Order Contact Phone

Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)

Example: 8668398477

7639725243

#### 2 Company Website

Company Website (Format - www.company.com)

www.playlsi.com

## 2 Entity D/B/A's and Assumed Names

Please identify all of your entity's assumed names and D/B/A's. Please note that you will be identified publicly by the legal name under which you responded to this solicitation unless you organize otherwise with TIPS after award.

No response

## 2 Primary Address

**Primary Address** 

601 7th Street S

## 2 Primary Address City

Primary Address City

Delano

2	Primary Address State
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Primary Address State (2 Digit Abbreviation)

Minnesota

Primary Address Zip
Primary Address Zip

55328

3 | Search Words:

Please list search words to be posted in the TIPS database about your company that TIPS website users might search. Words may be product names, manufacturers, or other words associated with the category of award. YOU MAY NOT LIST NON-CATEGORY ITEMS. (Limit 500 words) (Format: product, paper, construction, manufacturer name, etc.)

accessible playground equipment, adaptive play equipment, aqua play equipment, Aquatix, aquatic playgrounds, canopy shelters, climbing apparatuses, climbing frames, climbing playground, commercial playground equipment, concrete playground, Custom Playground, custom playground equipment, daycare playground equipment, Evos®, exercise equipment, face to face swings, farm themed playground equipment, FitCore™ Extreme, fitness course equipment, fitness obstacle course equipment, fitness trail equipment, handicapped accessible playground equipment, HealthBeat®, Inclusive Playground, inclusive playground equipment, inclusive swing, kids playground equipment, Landscape Structures, modular playground, monkey bars, multi-user playground swing, Natural Playgrounds, nature themed playground equipment, ninja fitness equipment, outdoor circuit training equipment, Outdoor Fitness, outdoor fitness equipment, outdoor music, Outdoor Playgrounds, Outdoor Water Play, park benches, park equipment, park playground equipment, park tables, PebbleFlex, play equipment, play structure, play structures, PlayBooster®, Playground, playground climbers, playground climbing equipment, playground design, playground equipment, playground equipment for schools, playground equipment slides, Playground Flooring, playground manufacturer, playground music equipment, playground safety surfacing, Playground shade, playground slides, playground structures, playground surfaces, playground surfacing, playground swings, playground systems, Playgrounds, PlayLSI, PlayShaper®, pool deck resurfacing, preschool playground equipment, rope climbers, Rubber Surfacing, Safety Surfacing, school playground equipment, School playgrounds, sensory playgrounds, Shade Canopies, site furnishings, SkyWays®, Smart Play ®, Special Needs Playground, special needs playground equipment, Splash Pad, splash pad equipment, splash parks, spring playground toys, Surfacing, tandem swing, Theme Concrete, Theme playground, themed playground equipment, toddler playground equipment, tower playground, tower playgrounds, water park equipment, Water Park, Surfaces, water play surfacing, waterplay equipment, Weevos®, playground accessories, commercial outdoor picnic tables

Do you want TIPS Members to be able to spend Federal grant funds with you if awarded? Is it your intent to be able to sell to our members regardless of the fund source, whether it be local, state or federal?

Most of our members receive Federal Government grants and they make up a significant portion of their budgets. The members need to know if your company is willing to sell to them when they spend federal budget funds on their purchase. There are attributes that follow that are provisions from the federal regulations in 2 CFR part 200. Your answers will determine if your award will be designated as Federal or Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR)compliant.

Do you want TIPS Members to be able to spend Federal grant funds with you if awarded and is it your intent to be able to sell to our members regardless of the fund source, whether it be local, state or federal?

Yes

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2	Certification of Residency - The vendor's ultimate parent company or majority owner:	
	(A) has its principal place of business in Texas;	
	(N) has he principal place of basiness in Toxas,	
	OR .	
	(B) employs at least 500 persons in Texas?	
	This question is required as a data gathering function for information to our members making purchases with	
	awarded vendors. Does not affect scoring with TIPS.	
	No	

## 3 Company Residence (City)

Vendor's principal place of business is in the city of?

Delano

## 3 Company Residence (State)

Vendor's principal place of business is in the state of?

Minnesota

## 3 Discount Offered - CAUTION READ CAREFULLY BECAUSE VENDORS FREQUENTLY MAKE MISTAKES 5 ON THIS ATTRIBUTE QUESTION

Remember this is a MINIMUM discount percentage so, be sure the discount percentage inserted here can be applied to ANY OFFERING OF GOODS OR SERVICES THROUGH OUT THE LIFE OF THE CONTRACT

CAUTION: BE CERTAIN YOU CAN HONOR THIS MINIMUM DISCOUNT PERCENTAGE ON ANY OFFERED SERVICE OR GOOD NOW OR DURING THE LIFE OF THE CONTRACT.

What is the MINIMUM percentage discount off of any item or service you offer to TIPS Members that is in your regular catalog (as defined in the solicitation specifications document), website, store or shelf pricing or when adding new goods or services to your offerings during the life of the contract? The resulting price of any goods or services Catalog list prices after this discount is applied is a ceiling on your pricing and not a floor because, in order to be more competitive in the individual circumstance, you may offer a larger discount depending on the items or services purchased and the quantity at time of sale.

Must answer with a number between 0% and 100%.

5%

#### MINIMUM Discount Term

Does the vendor agree to at least offer, for the life of the Agreement, the Minimum Discount Percentage off list or catalog proposed by Vendor in response to the Attribute entitled "Discount Offered - CAUTION READ CAREFULLY BECAUSE VENDORS FREQUENTLY MAKE MISTAKES ON THIS ATTRIBUTE QUESTION"? TIPS will utilize this response to satisfy the Long Term Cost scoring evaluation criteria. A "YES" answer will be awarded the maximum 10 points for this criterion out of the 100 total points and a "NO" answer is awarded 0 points.

YES

#### 3 Yes - No

If awarded on Part 1 of the TIPS Contract, for the duration of the Contract, Vendor agrees to provide catalog pricing, as defined in the solicitation and below, to TIPS upon request for any goods and services offered on PART 1 of the Vendor's TIPS Contract, if any.

"Catalog" means the available list of tangible personal property or services, in the most current listing, regardless of date, during the life of the contract, that takes the form of a catalog, price list, schedule, shelf price or other form that:

- A. is regularly maintained by the manufacturer or Vendor of an item; and
- B. is either published or otherwise available for inspection by a customer during the purchase process;
- C. to which the minimum discount proposed by the proposing Vendor may be applied.

YES

#### 3 TIPS administration fee

By submitting a proposal, I agree that all pricing submitted to TIPS shall include the participation fee, as designated in the solicitation or as otherwise agreed in writing and shall be remitted to TIPS by the Vendor or the vendor's named resellers and as agreed in the Vendor agreement. I agree that the fee shall not and will not be added by the vendor as a separate line item on a TIPS member invoice, quote, proposal or any other written communications with the TIPS member.

#### REQUIRED FOR PART 2 JOC - PRICING OF Regular Hours Coefficient

What is your regular hours coefficient for the RS Means Price Book? (FAILURE TO RESPOND PROHIBITS PART 2 JOC EVALUATION)

Remember that this is a ceiling price proposed. You can discount lower than your proposed contract coefficient, but not higher.

This is one of three pricing questions that are required for consideration for award on this solicitation. Please consider your answer carefully. An explanation of the TIPS scoring of pricing is included in the attachments for your information.

The below is an Example of how pricing model works (not intended to influence your proposed coefficient, you should propose a coefficient that you determine is right for your business):

To propose the exact pricing as the RS Means Unit Price Book, you would insert a 1.0 and to propose a 5% discount for the RS Means Price Book would be a .95 regular hours coefficient and so on.

No response

#### REQUIRED FOR PART 2 JOC - PRICING OF After Hours Coefficient

What is your after hours coefficient for the RS Means Price Book for work performed after normal working hours? (FAILURE TO RESPOND PROHIBITS PART 2 JOC EVALUATION)

Remember that this is a ceiling price proposed. You can discount to any TIPS Member customer a lower coefficient than your proposed contract coefficient, but not higher.

This is one of three pricing questions that are required for consideration for award on this solicitation. Please consider your answer carefully. An explanation of the TIPS scoring of pricing titled "Pricing Coefficient Instruction" is included in the attachments for your information.

The below is an EXAMPLE of how the pricing model works (It is not intended to influence your proposed coefficient, you should propose a coefficient that you determine is reasonable for your business for the life of the contract): The most common after hours coefficient is time and a half of the RS Means Unit Price Book prices. To illustrate this coefficient, if your regular hours coefficient is .95, your after hours coefficient would be 1.45.

No response

## 4 REQUIRED FOR 2 PART JOC - PRICING for Markup of Non-Prepriced Items in RS Means Unit Price Book

What is your proposed Markup Percentage on materials not found in the RS Means Price Book? (FAILURE TO RESPOND PROHIBITS PART 2 JOC EVALUATION)

If any materials being utilized for a project cannot be found in the RS Means Price Book, this question is what is the markup percentage on those materials?

When answering this question please insert the number that represents your percentage of proposed markup. Example: if you are proposing a 30 percent markup, please insert the number "30".

Remember that this is a ceiling markup. You may markup a lesser percentage to the TIPS Member customer when pricing the project, but not a greater percentage.

EXAMPLE: You need special materials that are not in the RS Means Unit Price Book for a project. You would buy the materials and mark them up to the TIPS Member customer by the percentage you propose in this question. If the materials cost you, the contractor, \$100 and you proposed a markup on this question for the material of 30 percent, then you would charge the TIPS Member customer \$130 for the materials.

No response

## 4 Yes - No

Vendor agrees to remit to TIPS the required administration fee or, if resellers are named, guarantee the fee remittance by or for the reseller named by the vendor?

TIPS/ESC Region 8 is required by Texas Government Code § 791 to be compensated for its work and thus, failure to agree shall render your response void and it will not be considered.

Agreed

## 4 Yes - No

Do you offer additional discounts to TIPS members for large order quantities or large scope of work?

Yes

## Years experience in this category of goods or services.

Company years experience in this category of goods or services?

50

#### 4 Resellers:

Does the vendor have resellers that it will name under this contract?

Resellers are defined as other companies that sell your products under an agreement with you, as the awarded vendor of TIPS.

EXAMPLE: BIGmart is a reseller of ACME brand televisions. If ACME were a TIPS awarded vendor, then ACME would list BIGmart as a reseller.

(If applicable, Vendor should add all Authorized Resellers within the TIPS Vendor Portal upon award).

Yes

Does the proposing vendor wish to reserve the right not to perform under the awarded agreement with a TIPS member at vendor's discretion?

Yes

#### 4 NON-COLLUSIVE BIDDING CERTIFICATE

By submission of this bid or proposal, the Bidder certifies that:

- 1) This bid or proposal has been independently arrived at without collusion with any other Bidder or with any Competitor;
- 2) This bid or proposal has not been knowingly disclosed and will not be knowingly disclosed, prior to the opening of bids, or proposals for this project, to any other Bidder, Competitor or potential competitor:
- 3) No attempt has been or will be made to induce any other person, partnership or corporation to submit or not to submit a bid or proposal;
- 4) The person signing this bid or proposal certifies that he has fully informed himself regarding the accuracy of the statements contained in this certification, and under the penalties being applicable to the Bidder as well as to the person signing in its behalf.

Not a negotiable term. Failure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered.

## 4 CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE - FORM CIQ -Do you have any CONFLICT OF INTEREST TO REPORT OR DISCLOSE under this statutory requirement?

Do you have any CONFLICT OF INTEREST TO REPORT OR DISCLOSE under this statutory requirement? YES or NO

If you have a conflict of interest as described in this form or the Local Government Code Chapter 176, cited thereinyou are required to complete and file with TIPS.

The Form CIQ is one of the attachments to this solicitation.

There is an optional upload for this form provided if you have a conflict and must file the form

No

## Filing of Form CIQ

If yes (above), have you filed a form CIQ by uploading the form to this RFP as directed above?

No response

## Regulatory Standing

I certify to TIPS for the proposal attached that my company is in good standing with all governmental agencies Federal or state that regulate any part of our business operations. If not, please explain in the next attribute question.

Yes

## Regulatory Standing

Regulatory Standing explanation of no answer on previous question.

No response

## Antitrust Certification Statements (Tex. Government Code § 2155.005)

By submission of this bid or proposal, the Bidder certifies that:

**5** 2

I affirm under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of Texas that:

- (1) I am duly authorized to execute this contract on my own behalf or on behalf of the company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual (Company) listed below;
- (2) In connection with this bid, neither I nor any representative of the Company has violated any provision of the Texas Free Enterprise and Antitrust Act, Tex. Bus. & Comm. Code Chapter 15;
- (3) In connection with this bid, neither I nor any representative of the Company has violated any federal antitrust law;
- (4) Neither I nor any representative of the Company has directly or indirectly communicated any of the contents of this bid to a competitor of the Company or any other company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual engaged in the same line of business as the Company.

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#### **Suspension or Debarment Instructions**

Instructions for Certification:

- 1. By answering yes to the next Attribute question below, the vendor and prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out herein in accordance with these instructions.
- 2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification in addition to other remedies available to the federal government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and / or debarment.
- 3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- 4. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered transaction," "participants," "person," "primary covered transaction," "principal," "proposal" and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
- 5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this form that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
- 6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this form that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction" without modification in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
- 7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Nonprocurement List.
- 8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- 9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the federal government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and / or debarment.

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#### **Suspension or Debarment Certification**

By answering yes, you certify that no federal suspension or debarment is in place, which would preclude receiving a federally funded contract as described above.

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

By answering yes, you certify that no federal suspension or debarment is in place, which would preclude receiving a federally funded contract as described above.

Yes

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#### **Non-Discrimination Statement and Certification**

In accordance with Federal civil rights law, all U.S. Departments, including the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity (including gender expression), sexual orientation, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity, in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA (not all bases apply to all programs). Remedies and complaint filing deadlines vary by program or incident.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.) should contact the responsible Agency or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program discrimination complaint, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, AD-3027, found online at How to File a Program Discrimination Complaint and at any USDA office or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by: (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

(Title VI of the Education Amendments of 1972; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975; Title 7 CFR Parts 15, 15a, and 15b; the Americans with Disabilities Act; and FNS Instruction 113-1, Civil Rights Compliance and Enforcement – Nutrition Programs and Activities)

All U.S. Departments, including the USDA are equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

Not a negotiable term. Failure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered. I certify that in the performance of a contract with TIPS or its members, that our company will conform to the foregoing anti-discrimination statement and comply with the cited and all other applicable laws and regulations.

Yes, I certify (Yes)

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#### **2 CFR PART 200 Contract Provisions Explanation**

Required Federal contract provisions of Federal Regulations for Contracts for contracts with ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members:

The following provisions are required to be in place and agreed if the procurement is funded in any part with federal funds.

The ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members are the subgrantee or Subrecipient by definition. Most of the provisions are located in 2 CFR PART 200 - Appendix II to Part 200—Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards at 2 CFR PART 200. Others are included within 2 CFR part 200 et al.

In addition to other provisions required by the Federal agency or non-Federal entity, all contracts made by the non-Federal entity under the Federal award must contain provisions covering the following, as applicable.

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#### 2 CFR PART 200 Contracts

Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$250,000, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate.

Notice: Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members reserves all rights and privileges under the applicable laws and regulations with respect to this procurement in the event of breach of contract by either party.

Does vendor agree?

Yes

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#### 2 CFR PART 200 Termination

Termination for cause and for convenience by the grantee or subgrantee including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement. (All contracts in excess of \$10,000)

Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members reserves the right to terminate any agreement in excess

of \$10,000 resulting from this procurement process for cause after giving the vendor an appropriate opportunity and up to 30 days, to cure the causal breach of terms and conditions. ESC Region 8 and

TIPS Members reserves the right to terminate any agreement in excess of \$10,000 resulting from this procurement process for convenience with 30 days notice in writing to the awarded vendor. The vendor

would be compensated for work performed and goods procured as of the termination date if for convenience of the ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members. Any award under this procurement process is not exclusive and the ESC Region 8 and TIPS reserves the right to purchase goods and services from other vendors when it is in the best interest of the ESC Region 8 and TIPS.

Does vendor agree?

Yes

)	2 CFR	<b>PART</b>	200 Clean	Air Act
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Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended—Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$250,000 must contain a provision that requires the non-Federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Pursuant to the Clean Air Act, et al above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members requires that the proposer certify that during the term of an award by the ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members resulting from this procurement process the vendor agrees to comply with all of the above regulations, including all of the terms listed and referenced therein.

Does vendor agree?

## 2 CFR PART 200 Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment

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

Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members requires the proposer certify that during the term and during the life of any contract with ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members resulting from this procurement process the vendor certifies to the terms included or referenced herein.

Does vendor agree?

Yes		

#### 2 CFR PART 200 Federal Rule

Compliance with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857(h)), section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR part 15). (Contracts, subcontracts, and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$250,000)

Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members requires the proposer certify that in performance of the contracts, subcontracts, and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$250,000, the vendor will be in compliance with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857(h)), section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR part 15).

Does vendor certify that it is in compliance with the Clean Air Act?

Yes	

#### 2 CFR PART 200 Procurement of Recovered Materials

A non-Federal entity that is a state agency or agency of a political subdivision of a state and its contractors must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with

maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

Does vendor certify that it is in compliance with the Solid Waste Disposal Act as described above?

Yes

## 2 CFR PART 200 Rights to Inventions

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

Pursuant to the above, when the foregoing applies to ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, Vendor certifies that during the term of an award resulting from this procurement process, Vendor agrees to comply with all applicable requirements as referenced in the Federal rule above.

Does vendor agree?

Yes

## 2 CFR PART 200 Domestic Preferences for Procurements

As appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, the non-Federal entity should, to the greatest extent practicable under a Federal award, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). The requirements of this section must be included in all subawards including all contracts and purchase orders for work or products under this award. For purposes of 2 CFR Part 200.322, "Produced in the United States" means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stag through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States. Moreover, for purposes of 2 CFR Part 200.322, "Manufactured products" means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum, plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe, aggregates such as concrete, class, including optical fiber, and lumber.

Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, Vendor certifies that to the greatest extent practicable Vendor will provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products).

Does vendor agree?

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#### 2 CFR PART 200 Ban on Foreign Telecommunications

Federal grant funds may not be used to purchase equipment, services, or systems that use "covered telecommunications" equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. "Covered telecommunications" means purchases from Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities), and video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).

Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, Vendor certifies that Vendor will not purchase equipment, services, or systems that use "covered telecommunications", as defined by 2 CFR §200.216 equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system.

Does vendor agree?

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### 2 CFR PART 200 Equal Employment Opportunity

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

Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members on any federally assisted construction contract, the equal opportunity clause is incorporated by reference herein.

Does vendor agree?

Yes
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## 2 CFR PART 200 Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708)

[Applicable ONLY to contracts in excess of \$100,000 involving mechanics or laborers.] Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708). Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.

Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members on qualifying contracts, Vendor certifies that Vendor will be in compliance with all applicable provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act during the term of an award for all contracts by the District resulting from this procurement process.

Does vendor agree?

Yes	
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#### Certification Regarding Lobbying

Applicable to Grants, Subgrants, Cooperative Agreements, and Contracts Exceeding \$100,000 in Federal Funds

Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction and is imposed by section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- (1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of a Federal contract, the making of a Federal grant, the making of a Federal loan, the entering into a cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all covered subawards exceeding \$100,000 in Federal funds at all appropriate tiers and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

I HAVE NOT Lobbied per above

## Lobbying Report Standard Form-LLL, "disclosure Form to Report Lobbying,"

ONLY IF you answered "I HAVE Lobbied per above" to attribute above titled "<u>Certification Regarding Lobbying</u>", please download and complete and upload the Standard Form-LLL, "disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in the Response attachments section.

Subcontracting with small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms.

Do you ever anticipate the possibility of subcontracting any of your work under this award if you are successful?

IF NO, DO NOT ANSWER THE NEXT ATTRIBUTE QUESTION. . IF YES, and ONLY IF YES, you must answer the next question YES if you want a TIPS Member to be authorized to spend Federal Grant Funds for Procurement.

YES

# 7 ONLY IF YES TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION OR if you ever do subcontract any part of your performance under the TIPS Agreement, do you agree to comply with the following federal requirements?

ONLY IF YES TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS OR if you ever do subcontract any part of your performance under the TIPS Agreement,

do you agree to comply with the following federal requirements?

Federal Regulation 2 CFR §200.321 Contracting with small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms. (a)The non-Federal entity must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.

- (b) Affirmative steps must include:(1) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
- (2) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
- (3) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
- (4) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
- (5) Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce; and
- (6) Requiring the prime contractor, if subcontracts are to be let, to take the affirmative steps listed in paragraphs(1) through (5) of this section.

YES

## If proposing on PART 2, Davis-Bacon Act compliance.

IF proposing on PART 2, Texas Statute requires compliance with Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148). When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part S, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction"). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non-Federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency. The contracts must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act {40 U.S.C. 314S), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.

BY SUBMITTING A PROPOSAL FOR PART 2 OF THIS SOLICITATION, the Vendor agrees, AS REQUIRED BY LAW, to comply with the Davis Bacon Act, IF APPLICABLE and if proposing on PART 2 of this solicitation.

## Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708)

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

By submitting a proposal to PART 2 of this solicitation and IF the customer is utilizing federal funds as described above, the Vendor agrees to comply with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708).

#### 7 Indemnification

The ESC Region 8 and TIPS is a Texas Political Subdivision and a local governmental entity; therefore, is prohibited from indemnifying third parties pursuant to the Texas Constitution (Article 3, Section 52) except as specifically provided by law or as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction. A provision in a contract to indemnify or hold a party harmless is a promise to pay for any expenses the indemnified party incurs, if a specified event occurs, such as breaching the terms of the contract or negligently performing duties under the contract. Article III, Section 49 of the Texas Constitution states that "no debt shall be created by or on behalf of the State ... " The Attorney General has counseled that a contractually imposed obligation of indemnity creates a "debt" in the constitutional sense. Tex. Att'y Gen. Op. No. MW-475 (1982). Contract clauses which require the System or institutions to indemnify must be deleted or qualified with "to the extent permitted by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Texas." Liquidated damages, attorney's fees, waiver of vendor's liability, and waiver of statutes of limitations clauses should also be deleted or qualified with "to the extent permitted by the Constitution and laws of State of Texas."

Do you agree to these terms?

✓ Yes, I Agree (Yes)

#### Remedies

The parties shall be entitled to exercise any right or remedy available to it either at law or in equity, subject to the choice of law, venue and service of process clauses limitations agreed herein. Nothing in this agreement shall commit the TIPS to an arbitration resolution of any disagreement under any circumstances. Any Claim arising out of or related to the Contract, except for those specifically waived under the terms of the Contract, may, after denial of the Board of Directors, be subject to mediation at the request of either party. Any issues not resolved hereunder MAY be referred to non-binding mediation to be conducted by a mutually agreed upon mediator as a prerequisite to the filing of any lawsuit over such issue(s). The parties shall share the mediator's fee and any associated filing fee equally. Mediation shall be held in Camp or Titus County, Texas. Agreements reached in mediation shall be reduced to writing, and will be subject to the approval by the District's Board of Directors, signed by the Parties if approved by the Board of Directors, and, if signed, shall thereafter be enforceable as provided by the laws of the State of Texas.

Do you agree to these terms?

Yes, I Agree

## **Remedies Explanation of No Answer**

No response

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#### Choice of Law

The agreement between the Vendor and TIPS/ESC Region 8 and any addenda or other additions resulting from this procurement process, however described, shall be governed by, construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, regardless of any conflict of laws principles.

THIS DOES NOT APPLY to a vendor's agreement entered into with a TIPS Member, as the Member may be located outside Texas.

Do you agree to these terms?

Agreed

### 7 Venue, Jurisdiction and Service of Process

Any proceeding, involving Region 8 ESC or TIPS, arising out of or relating to this procurement process or any contract issued by TIPS resulting from or any contemplated transaction shall be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction in Camp County, Texas and each of the parties irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of said court in any such proceeding, waives any objection it may now or hereafter have to venue or to convenience of forum, agrees that all claims in respect of the Proceeding shall be heard and determined only in any such court, and agrees not to bring any proceeding arising out of or relating to this procurement process or any contract resulting from or any contemplated transaction in any other court. The parties agree that either or both of them may file a copy of this paragraph with any court as written evidence of the knowing, voluntary and freely bargained for agreement between the parties irrevocably to waive any objections to venue or to convenience of forum. Process in any Proceeding referred to in the first sentence of this Section may be served on any party anywhere in the world. Any dispute resolution process other than litigation shall have venue in Camp County or Titus County Texas.

Do you agree to these terms?

Agreed

### **Alternative Dispute Resolution Explanation of No Answer**

No response

## 8 Infringement(s)

The successful vendor will be expected to indemnify and hold harmless the TIPS and its employees, officers, agents, representatives, contractors, assignees and designees from any and all third party claims and judgments involving infringement of patent, copyright, trade secrets, trade or service marks, and any other intellectual or intangible property rights attributed to or claims based on the Vendor's proposal or Vendor's performance of contracts awarded and approved.

Do you agree to these terms?

Yes, I Agree

## Infringement(s) Explanation of No Answer

No response

## 8 Acts or Omissions

The successful vendor will be expected to indemnify and hold harmless the TIPS, its officers, employees, agents, representatives, contractors, assignees and designees from and against any and all liability, actions, claims, demands or suits, and all related costs, attorney's fees and expenses arising out of, or resulting from any acts or omissions of the vendor or its agents, employees, subcontractors, or suppliers in the execution or performance of any agreements

ultimately made by TIPS and the vendor.

Do you agree to these terms?

Yes, I Agree

#### Acts or Omissions Explanation of No Answer

No response

#### 8 Contract Governance

Any contract made or entered into by the TIPS is subject to and is to be governed by Section 271.151 et seq, Tex Loc Gov't Code. Otherwise, TIPS does not waive its governmental immunities from suit or liability except to the extent expressly waived by other applicable laws in clear and unambiguous language.

✓ Yes, I Agree (Yes)

#### 8 Payment Terms and Funding Out Clause

Payment Terms:

TIPS or TIPS members shall not be liable for interest or late payment fees on past due balances at a rate higher than permitted by the laws or regulations of the jurisdiction of the TIPS Member.

#### Funding Out Clause:

Vendor agrees to abide by the laws and regulations, including Texas Local Government Code § 271.903, or any statutory or regulatory limitations of the jurisdiction of any TIPS Member which governs contracts entered into by the Vendor and TIPS or a TIPS Member that requires all contracts approved by TIPS or a TIPS Member are subject to the budgeting and appropriation of currently available funds by the entity or its governing body.

See statute(s) for specifics or consult your legal counsel.

Not a negotiable term. Failure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered.

Do you agree to these terms?

Yes, I Agree (Yes)

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#### **Insurance and Fingerprint Requirements Information**

#### Insurance

If applicable and your staff will be on TIPS member premises for delivery, training or installation etc. and/or with an automobile, you must carry automobile insurance as required by law. You may be asked to provide proof of insurance.

#### **Fingerprint**

It is possible that a vendor may be subject to Chapter 22 of the Texas Education Code. The Texas Education Code, Chapter 22, Section 22.0834 & 22.08341. Statutory language may be found at: http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/

If the vendor has staff that meet both of these criterion:

- (1) will have continuing duties related to the contracted services; and
- (2) has or will have direct contact with students

Then you have "covered" employees for purposes of completing the attached form.

TIPS recommends all vendors consult their legal counsel for guidance in compliance with this law. If you have questions on how to comply, see below. If you have questions on compliance with this code section, contact the Texas Department of Public Safety Non-Criminal Justice Unit, Access and Dissemination Bureau, FAST-FACT at NCJU@txdps.state.tx.us and you should send an email identifying you as a contractor to a Texas Independent School District or ESC Region 8 and TIPS. Texas DPS phone number is (512) 424-2474.

Vendor: Landscape Structures Inc.

See form in the next attribute to complete entitled:

Texas Education Code Chapter 22 Contractor Certification for Contractor Employees

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#### Texas Education Code Chapter 22 Contractor Certification for Contractor Employees

Introduction: Texas Education Code Chapter 22 requires entities that contract with school districts to provide services to obtain criminal history record information regarding covered employees. Contractors must certify to the district that they have complied. Covered employees with disqualifying criminal histories are prohibited from serving at a school district.

Definitions: Covered employees: Employees of a contractor or subcontractor who have or will have continuing duties related to the service to be performed at the District and have or will have direct contact with students. The District will be the final arbiter of what constitutes direct contact with students. Disqualifying criminal history: Any conviction or other criminal history information designated by the District, or one of the following offenses, if at the time of the offense, the victim was under 18 or enrolled in a public school:

(a) a felony offense under Title 5, Texas Penal Code; (b) an offense for which a defendant is required to register as a sex offender under Chapter 62, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure; or (c) an equivalent offense under federal law or the laws of another state.

I certify that:

**NONE (Section A)** of the employees of Contractor and any subcontractors are covered employees, as defined above. If this box is checked, I further certify that Contractor has taken precautions or imposed conditions to ensure that the employees of Contractor and any subcontractor will not become covered employees. Contractor will maintain these precautions or conditions throughout the time the contracted services are provided.

#### <u>OR</u>

**SOME (Section B)** or all of the employees of Contractor and any subcontractor are covered employees. If this box is checked, I further certify that:

- (1) Contractor has obtained all required criminal history record information regarding its covered employees. None of the covered employees has a disqualifying criminal history.
- (2) If Contractor receives information that a covered employee subsequently has a reported criminal history, Contractor will immediately remove the covered employee from contract duties and notify the District in writing within 3 business days.
- (3) Upon request, Contractor will provide the District with the name and any other requested information of covered employees so that the District may obtain criminal history record information on the covered employees.
- (4) If the District objects to the assignment of a covered employee on the basis of the covered employee's criminal history record information, Contractor agrees to discontinue using that covered employee to provide services at the District.

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#### Texas Business and Commerce Code § 272 Requirements as of 9-1-2017

SB 807 prohibits construction contracts to have provisions requiring the contract to be subject to the laws of another state, to be required to litigate the contract in another state, or to require arbitration in another state. A contract with such provisions is voidable. Under this new statute, a "construction contract" includes contracts, subcontracts, or agreements with (among others) architects, engineers, contractors, construction managers, equipment lessors, or materials suppliers. "Construction contracts" are for the design, construction, alteration, renovation, remodeling, or repair of any building or improvement to real property, or for furnishing materials or equipment for the project. The term also includes moving, demolition, or excavation. BY RESPONDING TO THIS SOLICITATION, AND WHEN APPLICABLE, THE PROPOSER AGREES TO COMPLY WITH THE TEXAS BUSINESS AND COMMERCE CODE § 272 WHEN EXECUTING CONTRACTS WITH TIPS MEMBERS THAT ARE TEXAS GOVERNMENT ENTITIES.

#### Texas Government Code 2270 & 2270 Verification Form

Texas Government Code 2270 & 2271 Verification Form

If (a) Vendor is not a sole proprietorship; (b) Vendor has ten (10) or more full-time employees; and (c) this Agreement has a value of \$100,000 or more, the following certification shall apply; otherwise, this certification is not required. Pursuant to Chapter 2271 of the Texas Government Code, the Vendor hereby certifies and verifies that neither the Vendor, nor any affiliate, subsidiary, or parent company of the Vendor, if any (the "Vendor Companies"), boycotts Israel, and the Vendor agrees that the Vendor and Vendor Companies will not boycott Israel during the term of this Agreement. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "boycott" shall mean and include refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israelicontrolled territory, but does not include an action made for ordinary business purposes.

Our entity further certifies that it is is not listed on and we do not do business with companies prohibited by Texas Government Code 2270 or that are on the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts list of Designated Foreign Terrorists Organizations per Texas Gov't Code 2270.0153 found at https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/docs/foreign-terrorist.pdf

I swear and affirm that the above is true and correct.

YES

## Logos and other company marks

Please upload your company logo to be added to your individual profile page on the TIPS website. If any particular specifications are required for use of your company logo, please upload that information under the "Logo and Other Company Marks" section under the "Response Attachment" tab. Preferred Logo Format: 300 x 225 px - .png, .eps, .jpeg preferred

Potential uses of company logo:

- \* Your Vendor Profile Page of TIPS website
- \* Potentially on TIPS website scroll bar for Top Performing Vendors
- \* TIPS Quarterly eNewsletter sent to TIPS Members
- \* Co-branding Flyers and or email blasts to our TIPS Members (Permission and approval will be obtained before publishing)

Does the vendor agree with the General Conditions Standard Terms and Conditions or Item Specifications listed in this proposal invitation?

Yes

### Solicitation Exceptions/Deviations Explanation

If the bidder intends to deviate from the General Conditions Standard Terms and Conditions or Item Specifications listed in this proposal invitation, all such deviations must be listed on this attribute, with complete and detailed conditions and information included or attached.

TIPS will consider any deviations in its proposal award decisions, and TIPS reserves the right to accept or reject any bid based upon any deviations indicated below or in any attachments or inclusions.

In the absence of any deviation entry on this attribute, the proposer assures TIPS of their full compliance with the Standard Terms and Conditions, Item Specifications, and all other information contained in this Solicitation.

No response

## Agreement Deviation/Compliance

Does the vendor agree with the language in the Vendor Agreement?

Yes

## Agreement Exceptions/Deviations Explanation

If the proposing Vendor desires to deviate form the Vendor Agreement language, all such deviations must be listed on this attribute, with complete and detailed conditions and information included. TIPS will consider any deviations in its proposal award decisions, and TIPS reserves the right to accept or reject any proposal based upon any deviations indicated below. In the absence of any deviation entry on this attribute, the proposer assures TIPS of their full compliance with the Vendor Agreement.

No response

## Felony Conviction Notice

Texas Education Code, Section 44.034, Notification of Criminal History, Subsection (a), states "a person or business entity that enters into a contract with a school district must give advance notice to the district if the person or an owner or operator of the business entity has been convicted of a felony. The notice must include a general description of the conduct resulting in the conviction of a felony." Subsection (b) states "a school district may terminate a contract with a person or business entity if the district determines that the person or business entity failed to give notice as required by Subsection (a) or misrepresented the conduct resulting in the conviction. The district must compensate the person or business entity for services performed before the termination of the contract." (c) This section does not apply to a publicly held corporation. The person completing this proposal certifies that they are authorized to provide the answer to this question. Select A., B. or C.

A. My firm is a publicly held corporation; therefore, this reporting requirement is not applicable.

OR B.My firm is not owned nor operated by anyone who has been convicted of a felony, OR

C. My firm is owned or operated by the following individual(s) who has/have been convicted of a felony. (if you answer C below, you are required to provide information in the next attribute.

B. Firm not owned nor operated by felon; per above

## 9 If you answered C. My Firm is owned or operated by a felon to the previous question, you are REQUIRED TO ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

If you answered C. My Firm is owned or operated by a felon to the previous question, you must provide the following information.

- 1. Name of Felon(s)
- 2. The named person's role in the firm, and
- 3. Details of Conviction(s).

No response

## Required Confidentiality Claim Form

Required Confidentiality Claim Form

This completed form is required by TIPS. By submitting a response to this solicitation you agree to download from the "Attachments" section, complete according to the instructions on the form, then upload the completed form, with any confidential attachments, if applicable, to the "Response Attachments" section titled "Confidentiality Form" in order to provide to TIPS the completed form titled, "CONFIDENTIALITY CLAIM FORM". THIS REQUIRED PROCESS IS THE ONLY WAY TO DEEM PROPOSAL DOCUMENTATION CONFIDENTIAL ANY OTHER CONFIDENTIAL DESIGNATION WILL BE DISREGARDED UNLESS THE DOCUMENT IS IDENTIFIED BY AND ATTACHED TO THE REQUIRED FORM. By completing this process, you provide us with the information we require to comply with the open record laws of the State of Texas as they may apply to your proposal submission. If you do not provide the form with your proposal, an award will not be made if your proposal is qualified for an award, until TIPS has an accurate, completed form from you.

Read the form carefully before completing and if you have any questions, email bids@tips-usa.com.

#### Choice of Law clauses for TIPS Members

If the vendor is awarded a contract with TIPS under this solicitation, the vendor agrees to make any Choice of Law clauses in any contract or agreement entered into between the awarded vendor and with a TIPS member entity to read as follows: "Choice of law shall be the laws of the state where the customer resides" or words to that effect.

Agreed

## Venue of dispute resolution with a TIPS Member

In the event of litigation or use of any dispute resolution model when resolving disputes with a TIPS member entity as a result of a transaction between the vendor and TIPS or the TIPS member entity, the Venue for any litigation or other agreed upon model shall be in the state and county where the customer resides unless otherwise agreed by the parties at the time the dispute resolution model is decided by the parties.

Agreed

### **Indemnity Limitation with TIPS Members**

Texas and other states restrict by law or state Constitution the ability of a governmental entity to indemnify others. TIPS requires that any contract entered into between a vendor and TIPS or a TIPS Member as a result of an award under this Solicitation limit the requirement that the Customer indemnify the Vendor by either eliminating any such indemnity requirement clauses in any agreements, contracts or other binding documents <u>OR</u> by prefacing all indemnity clauses required of TIPS or the TIPS Member entity with the following: "To the extent permitted by the laws or the Constitution of the state where the customer resides, ".

Agreement is a required condition to award of a contract resulting from this Solicitation.

Agreed

#### **Arbitration Clauses**

Except for certain circumstances, TIPS forbids a mandatory arbitration clause in any contract or agreement entered into between the awarded vendor with TIPS or a TIPS member entity. Does the vendor agree to exclude any arbitration requirement in any contracts or agreement entered into between TIPS or a TIPS member entity through an awarded contract with TIPS?

Agreement is a required condition to award of a contract resulting from this Solicitation.

Agreed

### Upload of Current W-9 Required

Please note that you are required by TIPS to upload a current W-9 Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Tax Form for your entity. This form will be utilized by TIPS to properly identify your entity.

REFERENCES Landscape Structures Inc.

### ALL INFORMATION MUST BE TYPED AND FORM MUST BE UPLOADED IN EXCEL FORMAT. DO NOT HANDW

Please provide three (3) references, preferably from school districts or other governmental entities who have used your services within the last three years. Additional references may be required. <u>DO NOT INCLUDE TIPS EMPLOYEES AS A REFERENCE.</u>

References are Required for PART 1 & Part 2. Please verify your references are current and valid, as they are a SIGNIFICANT required evaluation component of the PART 2 evaluation process, and the evaluation cannot be completed without responses from these references when we contact them.

You may provide more than three (3) references.

Entity Name	Contact Person	VALID EMAIL IS REQUIRED	Phone
Maryland National Capital Park & Plannin	Bridget Stesney, Division Chief	Bridget.Stesney@pgparks.com	301-699-2533
City of Los Angeles Department of Recre	Michael Shull, General Manager	michael.a.shull@lacity.org	818-524-9053
Arlington Heights School District #25	Ryan Schulz, Buildings & Grounds Directo	ryanschulz@sd25.org	847-506-6900
City of Albuquerque	David Flores, Principal Project Coordinato	<u>Dflores@cabq.gov</u>	505-768-5379
City of Seattle, City Purchasing	David W. Stubblefield, Senior Buyer	david.stubblefield@seattle.gov	206-684-0452
Seattle Department of Parks and Recreat	Pamela Alspaugh, Sr. Landscape Architect	pamela.alspaugh@seattle.gov	206-684-7328

### **CERTIFICATION BY CORPORATE OFFERER**

<u>COMPLETE ONLY IF OFFERER IS A CORPORATION</u>,
THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATE SHOULD BE EXECUTED AND INCLUDED AS PART OF PROPOSAL FORM/PROPOSAL FORM.

OFFERER: Landscape Structures Inc.	
(Name of Corporation	on)
Fred Caslavka I, (Name of Corporate Secretary)	certify that I am the Secretary of the Corporation
named as OFFERER herein above; that	
Elaine Harkess	
(Name of person who completed proposal docum	nent)
who signed the foregoing proposal on behalf of the	he corporation offerer is the authorized person that is
Contract Administrator	
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## Required Confidential Information Status Form

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This is to certify the Quality Management System of:

## **Landscape Structures Inc.**

601 7th Street South Delano, MN 55328 USA

Has been assessed by Orion Registrar and found to be in compliance with the following Quality Standard:

ISO 9001:2015

The Quality Management System is applicable to:

The design and manufacturing of playground equipment including Product Development, Sales, Marketing, Pre-Sale Design, Order Engineering, Purchasing, Receiving, Planning, Manufacturing (Fabrication, Welding, Powder Coat Painting, PVC Coating, CNC Routing, Rotational Molding, Concrete Operations, Assembly, and Packaging), Shipping, Maintenance, Finance, Information Technology, Human Resources and other Administrative Functions.

The Certification period is from

November 16, 2020 to November 28, 2023

This certification is subject to the company maintaining its system to the required standard, and applicable exceptions, which will be monitored by Orion.









This is to certify the Environmental Management System of:

## Landscape Structures Inc.

601 7th Street South Delano, MN 55328 USA

Has been assessed by Orion Registrar and found to be in compliance with the following Environmental Management Standard:

ISO 14001:2015

The Environmental Management System is applicable to:

The design and manufacturing of playground equipment including Product Development, Sales, Marketing, Pre-Sale Design, Order Engineering, Purchasing, Receiving, Planning, Manufacturing (Fabrication, Welding, Powder Coat Painting, PVC Coating, CNC Routing, Rotational Molding, Concrete Operations, Assembly, and Packaging), Shipping, Maintenance, Finance, Information Technology, Human Resources and other Administrative Functions.

The Certification period is from

November 16, 2020 to November 28, 2023

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This is to certify the Quality Management System of:

Landscape Structures Inc. 8131 Forney Road Dallas, TX 75227 USA

Has been assessed by Orion Registrar and found to be in compliance with the following Quality Standard:

ISO 9001:2015

The Quality Management System is applicable to:

Design and Manufacturing of Shade Structures and Playground Equipment including Product Development, Engineering (Design and Structural), Purchasing, Receiving, Manufacturing (Fabrication, Welding, Fabric Sewing, Painting, and Packaging), Shipping, and other Administrative Functions.

The Certification period is from

November 16, 2020 to January 7, 2024

This certification is subject to the company maintaining its system to the required standard, and applicable exceptions, which will be monitored by Orion.









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November 16, 2020 to January 7, 2024

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Landscape Structures Inc. ("Manufacturer") warrants that all playstructures and/or equipment sold will conform in kind and in quality to the specifications manual for the products identified in the Acknowledgment of Order and will be free of defects in manufacturing and material. Manufacturer further warrants:

**100-Year Limited Warranty** On all PlayBooster® and PlayShaper® aluminum posts, stainless steel fasteners, clamps, beams and caps against structural failure due to corrosion/natural deterioration or manufacturing defects, and on PlayBooster steel posts against structural failure due to material or manufacturing defects.

**15-Year Limited Warranty** On all Evos® and Weevos® steel arches, all plastic components (including TuffTimbers™ edging), all aluminum and steel components not covered above, Mobius® climbers, Rhapsody® Outdoor Musical Instruments, decks and TenderTuff™ coatings (except Wiggle Ladders, Chain Ladders and Swing Chain) against structural failure due to material or manufacturing defects.

**10-Year Limited Warranty** On concrete products against structural failure due to natural deterioration or manufacturing defects. Does not cover minor chips, hairline cracks or efflorescence.

**8-Year Limited Warranty** On Aeronet® climbers and climbing cables against defects in materials or manufacturing defects.

**5-Year Limited Warranty** On Rhapsody® cables and mallets against defects in materials or manufacturing defects, on polycarbonate panels against defects in materials or manufacturing defects, and on bamboo panels against delamination due to defects in materials or manufacturing defects. Does not cover damage which may be associated with the natural characteristics of bamboo aging, including but not limited to discoloration, splitting, cracking, warping or twisting, nor the formation of algae, mold and other forms of fungal-type bodies on bamboo.

**3-Year Limited Warranty** On all other parts, i.e.: Pulse® products, all swing seats and hangers, Mobius climber handholds, Wiggle Ladders, Chain Ladders and ProGuard™ Swing Chain, Track Ride trolleys and bumpers, all rocking equipment including Sway Fun® gliders, belting material, HealthBeat® resistance mechanisms, Seesaws, etc., against failure due to corrosion/ natural deterioration or manufacturing defects.

The environment near a saltwater coast can be extremely corrosive. Some corrosion and/or deterioration is considered "normal wear" in this environment. Product installed within 500 yards (457 meters) of a saltwater shoreline will only be covered for half the period of the standard product warranty, up to a maximum of five years, for defects caused by corrosion. Products installed in direct contact with saltwater or that are subjected to salt spray are not covered by the standard warranty for any defects caused by corrosion.

This warranty does not include any cosmetic issues or wear and tear from normal use of the product, or misuse or abuse of the product. It is valid only if the playstructures and/or equipment are erected to conform with Landscape Structures' installation instructions and maintained according to the maintenance procedures furnished by Landscape Structures Inc.



### 2021 Play Equipment Warranty

You have our word.

All the warranties commence on date of Manufacturer's invoice. Should any failure to conform to the above express warranties appear within the applicable warranty period, Manufacturer shall, upon being notified in writing promptly after discovery of the defect and within the applicable warranty period, correct such nonconformity either by repairing any defective part or parts, or by making available a replacement part within 60 days of written notification. Manufacturer shall deliver the repaired or replacement part or parts to the site free of charge, but will not be responsible for providing labor or the cost of labor for the removal of the defective part or parts, the installation of any replacement part or parts or for disposal costs of any part or parts. Replacement parts will be warranted for the balance of the original warranty.

THIS WARRANTY IS EXCLUSIVE AND IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, WHETHER EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

ANY SURETY BONDS ISSUED PURSUANT TO ANY CONTRACT OR SELLER'S INVOICE SHALL NOT INCLUDE COVERAGE FOR THIS GUARANTEE OR WARRANTY BEYOND ONE YEAR.

The remedies hereby provided shall be the exclusive and sole remedies of the purchaser. Manufacturer shall not be liable for any direct, indirect, special, incidental or consequential damages.

Manufacturer neither assumes nor authorizes any employee, representative or any other person to assume for Manufacturer any other liability in connection with the sale or use of the structures sold, and there are no oral agreements or warranties collateral to or affecting this agreement. The warranties stated above are valid only if the structures and/or equipment are erected in conformance with Landscape Structures' installation instructions and maintained according to the maintenance procedures furnished by Landscape Structures Inc.; have been subjected to normal use for the purpose for which the goods were designed; have not been exposed to saltwater or salt spray; have not been subject to misuse, negligence, vandalism, or accident; have not been subjected to addition or substitution of parts; and have not been modified, altered, or repaired by persons other than Manufacturer or Manufacturer's designees in any respect which, in the judgement of Manufacturer, affects the condition or operation of the structures.

To make a claim, send your written statement of claim, along with the original job number or invoice number to: Landscape Structures Inc. 601 7th Street South, Delano, Minnesota, 55328-8605.

Signed: President Date: 01/01/2021





### Terms of Sale

**PRICING:** Landscape Structures' list prices do not include delivery and handling charges. Prices are subject to change without notice.

**TERMS:** To tax-supported institutions and those with established credit: net 30 days from the date of the invoice. 1.5% per month thereafter; freight charges are prepaid and applied to the invoice.

**TAXES:** Landscape Structures' list prices do not include applicable taxes, if any.

**WEIGHTS:** Weights are approximate and may vary.

**DELIVERY:** If delivery of the equipment is by common carrier, and there is damage or a shortage, notify the carrier at once and sign delivery documents provided by the carrier noting the damage or shortage. Most products are delivered on large pallets and will require a forklift or similar equipment to unload as a unit on the site.

**INSTALLATION:** All playstructures and/or equipment are delivered unassembled and packaged with recyclable materials. For a list of factory-certified installers in your area, please contact your Landscape Structures playground consultant.

**SERVICE:** We have knowledgeable, qualified playground consultants throughout the world who are available to help you before, during and after the sale. Landscape Structures has exclusive design software that features all of our parts and pieces in pull-down menus. With this software, your playground consultant can design a playground layout that meets not only your needs, but ASTM and CPSC standards as well. In addition, we have a full staff of CPSI-certified designers, along with 2D and 3D drawing capabilities and custom capabilities to assist you with your playground plans.

**RETURN POLICY:** As an indication of our commitment to our customers, Landscape Structures will accept returns of new structures and/or new equipment purchased within 60 days of the original invoice date. Advance notification is necessary to ensure proper credit. Parts not included in this return policy are custom parts (including PlayShaper® posts), as well as used or damaged parts. A 20% restock fee plus all return freight charges will apply to all product returns. NOTE: All parts are subject to inspection upon return. Parts returned damaged may not receive a full credit. For this reason, it is important that all returned parts are properly packaged to prevent damage while in transit. Please contact your Landscape Structures playground consultant for the shipping address.

**PRODUCT CHANGES:** Because of our commitment to safety, innovation, and value, we reserve the right to change specifications at any time.

#### **PLEASE CONTACT US AT:**

Landscape Structures Inc. 601 7th St. South Delano, MN 55328-8605 888.438.6574 (inside the U.S.A.) 763.972.5200 (outside the U.S.A.) playlsi.com





# Landscape Structures' History

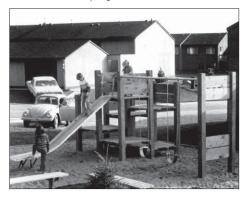




#### DIFFERENT, FROM THE VERY BEGINNING

Landscape Structures was founded in 1971 by Steve and Barb King (1947-2008). Steve is a landscape architect with a keen eye for beautiful aesthetics and functionality. Steve also created the concept of "continuous play" and was the first to interconnect play events including slides, climbers, horizontal ladders and more. The continuous play concept allowed him to create more play value in a smaller

space, and encourage more social interaction and skill development among children. Barb was educated as a home economist with a talent for organization and the ability to plan, coordinate and execute multiple tasks. Their complementary styles and backgrounds proved to be the right combination as they turned a great idea into a successful business. Now, 50 years later, the company is a global leader in the commercial playground industry with nearly 500 employees, more than 380,000 square feet of manufacturing space and playground consultants across the world.



The first Landscape Structures playstructure



Employee Owners



Steve and Barb King



Our corporate headquarters in Delano, Minn.

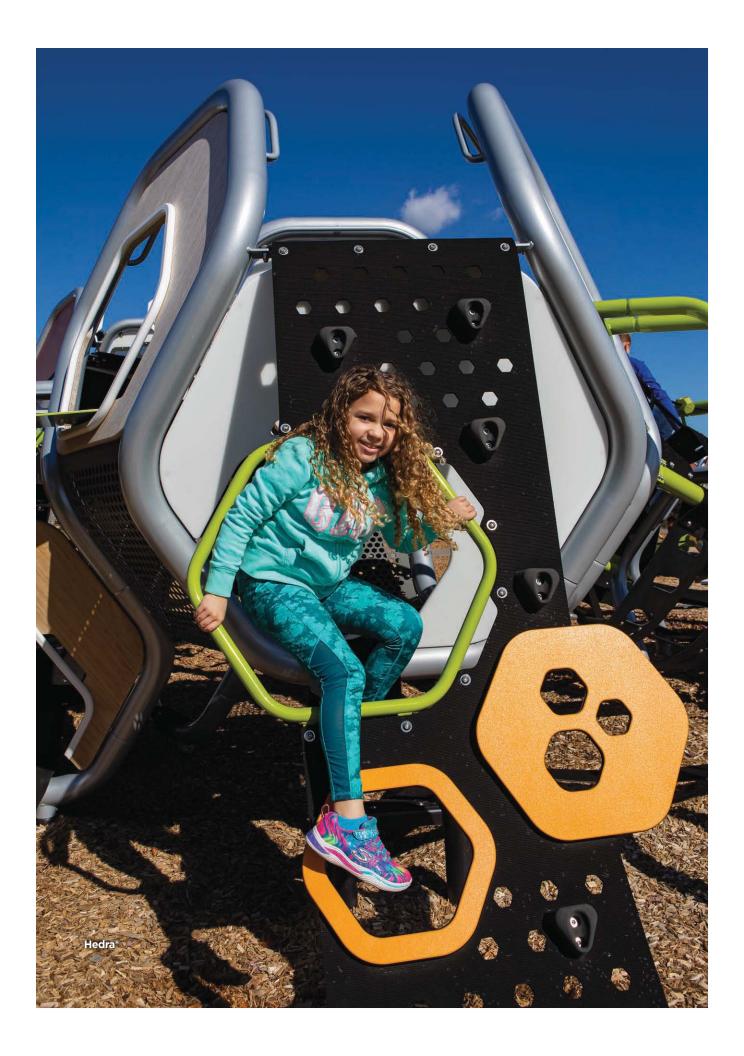
#### INDEPENDENT. EMPLOYEE-OWNED

Landscape Structures is one of the few remaining independently-owned businesses in the playground industry. Since 2004, we have been employee-owned (ESOP), and each and every employee takes their role as an employee-owner seriously.

Our workplace is casual, collaborative and friendly, and our mission to enhance the lives of children through play while respecting the environment is seen throughout the organization.

#### **DESIGN INNOVATION SECOND-TO-NONE**

Cofounder and Chairman of the Board Steve King is the only leader of a playground company who is also a landscape architect. Steve's passion for creating playground products and designs that go beyond ADA requirements create truly inclusive play environments for all children. Design innovation has been at the heart of who we are from day one. Our diverse team of architects, drafters, interior designers, graphic designers and industrial designers work together with manufacturers, engineers, advisors, landscape architects and communities to provide the best solution for every destination. We're the only commercial playground equipment manufacturer to perform all of our design, engineering and manufacturing in-house, so each step is carefully completed under our watchful eyes.



Landscape Structures has a long-standing history of environmental awareness. Through our more than 75,000 playgrounds worldwide, we've helped create healthy kids and a sustainable world. Landscape Structures is built on a culture of sustainability, designing products that keep kids active, while going far beyond what is required to protect the environment during manufacturing processes.



We began putting formal environmental processes in place more than 20 years ago. Landscape Structures received its certification to the ISO 14001 standard in 1998, and to the updated ISO 14001:2015 in 2017. We are the first playground manufacturer in North America to receive that certification of environmental responsibility.



Landscape Structures has been recognized as a Minnesota Waste Wise Leader for its outstanding waste reduction and recycling efforts.



We partner with American Forests to plant trees to offset the carbon produced during the manufacturing of every playstructure we sell. We have planted more than 350,000 trees since partnering in 2008.



We are also held to the highest standards when it comes to quality. Landscape Structures received certification to the ISO 9001:1994 standard in 1996 and to the updated ISO 9001:2015 standard in 2017 for outstanding quality.

We demonstrate our quality commitment in many ways. One is our kaizen, or lean manufacturing culture. That means that continuous improvement is in our DNA, and we live it every business day.



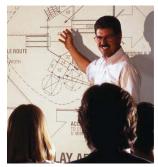
# Landscape Structures' Rich History











1967: Continuous Play Concept created

1969: King Associates formed

1971: Landscape Structures incorporated

**1974:** First Sales Representative, Jack Gleason of NuToys Leisure Products, Inc., is hired.

1977: VitaCourse created

**1981:** TenderTuff™ coating introduced

1984: PlayBooster® system boosts play

1985: Permalene® panels introduced

**1992:** Barb and Steve King named Minnesota's Entrepreneur of the Year by Ernst and Young, Inc. Magazine and the law firm of Gray Plant Mooty.

**1992:** The Kings inducted into the National Institute of Entrepreneurs.

1993: First wheelchair transfer system introduced

**1993:** Steve King appointed to Federal Access Board's Recreation Access Advisory Committee

1994: Sliding footers on slides introduced

**1995:** IPEMA established and Steve King serves as founding member of the International Play Equipment Manufacturers Association, a third-party organization for playground safety.

**1996:** Landscape Structures is the first U.S. playground equipment manufacturer to achieve ISO 9001 Certification customer-focused commitment to quality products and processes.

**1998:** Landscape Structures becomes the first U.S. playground equipment manufacturer to achieve the highest standard for environmental commitment, ISO 14001 Certification.

**1999:** Continuous improvement initiated to focus on lean manufacturing, ensuring efficient processes, products, on-time deliveries and one-kit flow.

2001: Skatewave® introduced

2001: Integrated Shade System introduced

2001: Playstructure climbing cables debut

2002: Sway Fun® Glider appears

2004: Landscape Structures ESOP launches

2004: Steve King named Fellow, ASLA

2004: Natural Climbers introduced

2005: Mobius® Climber debuts

**2005:** Barb and Steve King win Christian Peterson Award from Iowa State University's College of Design for safe and innovative designs for children.

**2005:** Barb King inducted as an Honorary Member of ASLA

**2006:** Minnesota Waste Wise Leader award for our outstanding waste reduction and recycling efforts.

**2007:** Evos® play system introduced

**2008:** HealthBeat® Outdoor Fitness System launched

**2008:** Pat Faust named President of Landscape Structures

**2011:** Received the Design for All award for our work with inclusive playgrounds.



























2011: Oodle® Swing and OmniSpin® Spinner launch

**2011:** Chosen for 2011 Disability Matters Marketplace Award for our commitment to providing inclusive playgrounds.

**2012:** Steve King receives Visionary Leadership Award from Shane's Inspiration for his commitment to providing inclusive playground equipment for children of all abilities.

**2012:** Landscape Structures becomes 100% employee-owned

**2013:** Barb King posthumously inducted into NAWBO Hall of Fame (National Association of Women Business Owners)- Minnesota.

**2013:** A Legacy of Play® published, which chronicles the history of Landscape Structures from Steve King's perspective.

2014: ZipKrooz® and Netplex® introduced

2014: Smart Play® line debuts

**2015:** Entered the water & splash play market with Aquatix by Landscape Structures (formerly Aquatic Recreation Company).

**2015:** Pat Faust was presented with an Honorary ASLA Membership, which is given to non-landscape architects for their commitment to the profession.

**2016:** Rhapsody® Outdoor Musical Instruments introduced

**2016:** Launched SkyWays® Shade Division in Dallas, Texas, to manufacture shade products.

**2016:** playlsi.com named Best B2B Website by Episerver™

**2017:** Landscape Structures receives a LAMMY Advertising Award for Best Message by Landscape Architecture Magazine

**2018:** Alpha® Towers, Friendship® Swing, FitCore™ Extreme and Facet® Forms are introduced

**2018:** Landscape Structures named "Partner in Play" by KABOOM!

2019: We-Go-Round® and Crab Trap® launch

**2019:** SkyWays by Landscape Structures earns

AISC Approved Fabricator Certificate

**2020:** Created magical play environments at EPCOT® International Flower & Garden Festival since 2001.

**2020:** Hedra® Hedra® Scout, Tree Tops and BeachComber launch

**2020:** Hedra received a GOOD DESIGN® Award from the Chicago Athenaeum: Museum of Architecture and Design and The European Centre for Architecture Art Design and Urban Studies.

**2021:** We-Go-Swing<sup>™</sup> Billows and WhirlyQ<sup>™</sup> Spinner launch











To see a full list of innovations and awards, visit playlsi.com/en/our-story/company-timeline/.



# LANDSCAPE STRUCTURES: INNOVATIVE PLAY FOR EVERY AGE AND ABILITY

Landscape Structures engineers and manufactures a wide array of challenging and fun playgrounds for children and families of varying abilities, ages 2 to 12 and beyond.

#### **Playsystems**

**Evos**®: The evolution of play for ages 5 to 12. The spherical design provides a completely new play experience that challenges kids' bodies and imaginations.

**Weevos®:** The complement to Evos for children ages 2 to 5, Weevos promotes early childhood growth and development in five key areas: physical, cognitive, sensory/motor, emotional/social and language.

**PlayBooster®:** The industry gold standard for ages 5 to 12. For design, durability and play value, PlayBooster is the line of playground equipment everyone looks to for inspiration.

**GeoPlex®:** Create an abstract, geometric design with the GeoPlex climbing panels. The colorful panels can be transformed into climbers, towers, towers with nets, and freestanding play activities.

**The Canyon Collection®:** Kindle the spirit of adventure with realistic rock panels that attach directly to a PlayBooster® playstructure. With this integrated rock-climbing experience, kids enjoy continuous play that's both physical and imaginative.

**Netplex®:** A hub of multi-leveled, webbed nets, Netplex offers kids the age-appropriate challenge they need for healthy development. And with Super Netplex, we've added more opportunities for height that children of all abilities can enjoy.

**Vibe**®: With it's unique triangular shapes, cool textures and upbeat colors, Vibe is our contemporary take on the classic PlayBooster playstructure.

**PlayOdyssey® Tower:** The PlayOdyssey Tower provides kids an adventurous voyage of new proportions.

**Tree House:** Nature-inspired, affordable fun where kids will discover hidden forest friends, explore the tree's life cycle, hold secret club meetings—or just hang out!

**PlayShaper®:** Proportioned just right for ages 2 to 5, PlayShaper playstructures and play components feature the kinds of innovations you won't find anywhere else. Every component challenges little explorers' growing bodies and lights up their imaginations.



**Hedra**<sup>®</sup>: The geometric playscapes of Hedra<sup>®</sup>, Hedra Scout and Hedra Towers are perfect for kids ages 2 to 12. These tessellated shapes create playful pods that link together, forming a fascinating interconnected matrix of threedimensional play. Hedra Swings and AquaHedra carry the unique look to additional play events.

**Smart Play**®: These affordable playstructures for ages 6 months to 12 years pack a bundle of activities into a compact space. They're completely preconfigured to maximize the use of space without maxing out your budget.

FitCore™ Extreme: Welcome fitness warriors of all ages with FitCore™ Extreme innovative obstacle courses. Invite friendly competition among teens and adults, or kids ages 5 to 12 while also challenging their physical and mental agility.

#### Rhapsody® Outdoor Musical Instruments:

This superior collection of chimes, metallophones and drums welcomes polished musicians and musical newbies alike to explore the power of rhythm, experience subtle shifts in tone, and discover the many ways individual sounds can be creatively combined.

#### HealthBeat® Outdoor Fitness System:

Gym quality exercise equipment, some with a patented resistance mechanism, provides a cutting-edge workout—outside. Perfect for parks, trails or next to your playground, HealthBeat uses the latest exercise methodologies to provide a tailored workout for teens and adults of all fitness levels.







#### **Play Styles**

#### Inclusive Play

The playground is a place where all kids should be able to play together freely. In order to create a truly inclusive playground, it not only needs to be universally designed, but also age and developmentally appropriate and stimulating to the senses. Our philosophy of inclusive play brings children of all abilities together to help them develop, build confidence, make friends and play as equals.

#### Nature Play

Our nature-inspired play equipment blends the adventure and wonder of nature with the latest in playground innovation. These products capture kids' imaginations with the look and feel of real bark and rock while offering the durability, safety and low maintenance you get from Landscape Structures. You'll strike the perfect balance between the natural and the man-made, establishing the optimal setting for child-directed free play.

#### Custom/Themed

We have the minds, materials and magic to create a custom playground for you. Themes, playable art, personalized playgrounds or panels. We are the only manufacturer to employ a full-time staff of custom designers and artists, who will collaborate with you every step of the way.



#### **Park and Playground Additions**

#### Freestanding Play

Our versatile freestanding play components are designed to maximize play value and create an action-packed playground that's truly unforgettable. We offer unique play events including the Crab Trap™, Alpha® and Alpha Link® Towers, ZipKrooz®, Aeronet® climbers, spinners and swings. These play events provide extra challenge and fun for any new playground and can be used to revitalize an existing park or playground.

#### Site Furnishings

Put the finishing touches on your play environment with a variety of site furnishings options. From benches, bike racks and litter receptacles to shade structures and surfacing, we'll help provide a fully furnished playspace.

#### Color Inspirations

Landscape Structures offers a brilliant collection of color palettes featuring nature-inspired shades, urban tones, playful hues and everything in between. Each imaginative color has been carefully designed to be both current and enduring—creating a spectrum that'll wow kids now and over the long life of your playstructure.

#### Concrete

Landscapes Structures is devoted to the design and manufacturing of customized and themed play elements made of precast concrete and glass fiber reinforced concrete (GFRC). Our world-class concrete manufacturing facility, opened in 2011, enables us to bring any playground theme or idea to life—from climbable animals and tree houses, to sensory walls and climbing boulders. Concrete can be integrated with traditional playsystems or used to create freestanding play events, is extremely durable and can bring a higher level of imaginative play to any playground.

#### Aquatix® by Landscape Structures Experience water in a whole new way

In 2015, Landscape Structures acquired Aquatix, which was then known as Aquatic Recreation Company (ARC) and Commercial Aquatic Engineering (CAE). The division, located in Delano, Minn., offers



more than 30 years of experience in the design, fabrication and construction of water features and spray parks. Aquatix pioneered integrated recirculation systems to provide a sustainable solution for municipal spray parks, aquatic centers, hotels and resorts, amusement parks and more.

Aquatix has applied the ground breaking design and innovation Landscape Structures is known for to the creation of imaginative new water experiences. From the AquaSmart packages to new GFRC-sculpted splash play products, HydraHub, Nautilus slides and more, Aquatix's interactive aqua play products deliver an inclusive, sensory-rich play experience in water for children of all ages and abilities.



#### SkyWays® by Landscape Structures The best ways to keep your cool

Landscape Structures has years of experience providing shade in some of the world's sunniest locales. In an effort to expand our shade product offering, we developed SkyWays by Landscape Structures in 2016. With a team of seasoned professionals in the shade industry, the SkyWays division, located in Dallas, Texas, has developed the industry's standard in shade structures.

Designed to meet the demands of both heat and sun, SkyWays is the most versatile way to shade people, animals and structures from up to 97 percent of UV rays and keep them as much as 30-degrees cooler. SkyWays shade products are perfect for playgrounds, dog parks, ball fields, zoos, parking lots or anywhere you need a large amount of shade.



## For a better tomorrow, we play today.



Since 1971, Landscape Structures Inc. has been the leading manufacturer of commercial playground equipment in the world. Our employee-owned company designs community and school playgrounds that encourage kids of all ages and abilities to learn persistence, leadership, competition, bravery, support and empathy through play. We push the limits—of design, inclusion, play—to help kids realize there is no limit to what they can do today and in the future. For a better tomorrow, we play today.

Call your local Landscape Structures playground consultant today at 888.438.6574 or 763.972.5200 to get started on your playground!

Or visit playlsi.com to see our products in action.





Landscape Structures Inc. ("Manufacturer") warrants that all playstructures and/or equipment sold will conform in kind and in quality to the specifications manual for the products identified in the Acknowledgment of Order and will be free of defects in manufacturing and material. Manufacturer further warrants:

**100-Year Limited Warranty** on all stainless steel fasteners, aluminum posts and beams against structural failure due to corrosion/natural deterioration or manufacturing defects.

**15-Year Limited Warranty** on all plastic components and steel components, against structural failure due to material or manufacturing defects.

**3-Year Limited Warranty** on all other parts such as Clatterbridges, D-Rings, Wiggle Ladders, Chain Ladders, Air Dancer, Disc Challenge, all rocking or moving equipment, etc. against failure due to corrosion/natural deterioration or manufacturing defects.

The environment near a saltwater coast can be extremely corrosive. Some corrosion and/or deterioration is considered "normal wear" in this environment. Product installed within 500 yards (457 meters) of a saltwater shoreline will only be covered for half the period of the standard product warranty, up to a maximum of five years, for defects caused by corrosion. Products installed in direct contact with saltwater or that are subjected to salt spray are not covered by the standard warranty for any defects caused by corrosion.

This warranty does not include any cosmetic issues or wear and tear from normal use of the product, or misuse or abuse of the product. It is valid only if the playstructures and/or equipment are erected to conform with Landscape Structures' installation instructions and maintained according to the maintenance procedures furnished by Landscape Structures Inc.

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### 2021 PlaySense® Warranty

You have our word.

All the warranties commence on date of Manufacturer's invoice. Should any failure to conform to the above express warranties appear within the applicable warranty period, Manufacturer shall, upon being notified in writing promptly after discovery of the defect and within the applicable warranty period, correct such nonconformity either by repairing any defective part or parts, or by making available a replacement part within 60 days of written notification. Manufacturer shall deliver the repaired or replacement part or parts to the site free of charge, but will not be responsible for providing labor or the cost of labor for the removal of the defective part or parts, the installation of any replacement part or parts or for disposal costs of any part or parts. Replacement parts will be warranted for the balance of the original warranty.

THIS WARRANTY IS EXCLUSIVE AND IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, WHETHER EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

The remedies hereby provided shall be the exclusive and sole remedies of the purchaser. Manufacturer shall not be liable for any direct, indirect, special, incidental or consequential damages.

Manufacturer neither assumes nor authorizes any employee, representative or any other person to assume for Manufacturer any other liability in connection with the sale or use of the structures sold, and there are no oral agreements or warranties collateral to or affecting this agreement. The warranties stated above are valid only if the structures and/or equipment are erected in conformance with Landscape Structures' installation instructions and maintained according to the maintenance procedures furnished by Landscape Structures Inc.; have been subjected to normal use for the purpose for which the goods were designed; have not been exposed to saltwater or salt spray; have not been subject to misuse, negligence, vandalism, or accident; have not been subjected to addition or substitution of parts; and have not been modified, altered, or repaired by persons other than Manufacturer or Manufacturer's designees in any respect which, in the judgement of Manufacturer, affects the condition or operation of the structures.

To make a claim, send your written statement of claim, along with the original job number or invoice number to: Landscape Structures Inc. 6017th Street South, Delano, Minnesota, 55328-8605.

Signed: President Date: 01/01/2021



Landscape Structures Inc. ("Manufacturer") warrants that all equipment sold will conform in kind and in quality to the specifications manual for the products identified in the Acknowledgment of Order and will be free of defects in manufacturing and material. Manufacturer further warrants:

**20-Year Limited Warranty** On all SkyWays® and CoolToppers® steel components against structural failure due to material or manufacturing defects.

**10-Year Limited Warranty** On SkyWays® and CoolToppers® fabric and thread against failure from significant fading, deterioration, breakdown, mildew, outdoor heat, cold or discoloration. This warranty is limited to the design loads as stated in the manual. Should the fabric need to be replaced under the warranty, Manufacturer will manufacture and ship a new fabric at no charge for the first 6 years, thereafter pro-rated at 18% per annum over the last 4 years. This warranty applies to standard colors only.

**3-Year Limited Warranty** On all other parts, including Rapid Release, against failure due to corrosion/natural deterioration or manufacturing defects.

The environment near a saltwater coast can be extremely corrosive. Some corrosion and/or deterioration is considered "normal wear" in this environment. Product installed within 500 yards (457 meters) of a saltwater shoreline will only be covered for half the period of the standard product warranty, up to a maximum of five years, for defects caused by corrosion. Products installed in direct contact with saltwater or that are subjected to salt spray are not covered by the standard warranty for any defects caused by corrosion.

This warranty does not include any cosmetic issues or wear and tear from normal use of the product, or misuse or abuse of the product. It is valid only if the equipment is erected to conform with Landscape Structures' installation instructions and maintained according to the maintenance procedures furnished by Landscape Structures Inc. Maintenance is particularly critical in regions where dirt and/or sand may cause abrasion of the fabric.

This warranty is void if conditions exceed local building codes.

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# 2021 SkyWays® and CoolToppers® Shade Warranty

You have our word.

All the warranties commence on date of Manufacturer's invoice. Should any failure to conform to the above express warranties appear within the applicable warranty period, Manufacturer shall, upon being notified in writing promptly after discovery of the defect and within the applicable warranty period, correct such nonconformity either by repairing any defective part or parts, or by making available a replacement part within 60 days of written notification. Manufacturer shall deliver the repaired or replacement part or parts to the site free of charge, but will not be responsible for providing labor or the cost of labor for the removal of the defective part or parts, the installation of any replacement part or parts or for disposal costs of any part or parts. Replacement parts will be warranted for the balance of the original warranty.

THIS WARRANTY IS EXCLUSIVE AND IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, WHETHER EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

ANY SURETY BONDS ISSUED PURSUANT TO ANY CONTRACT OR SELLER'S INVOICE SHALL NOT INCLUDE COVERAGE FOR THIS GUARANTEE OR WARRANTY BEYOND ONE YEAR.

The remedies hereby provided shall be the exclusive and sole remedies of the purchaser. Manufacturer shall not be liable for any direct, indirect, special, incidental or consequential damages.

Manufacturer neither assumes nor authorizes any employee, representative or any other person to assume for Manufacturer any other liability in connection with the sale or use of the structures sold, and there are no oral agreements or warranties collateral to or affecting this agreement. The warranties stated above are valid only if the structures and/or equipment are erected in conformance with Landscape Structures' installation instructions and maintained according to the maintenance procedures furnished by Landscape Structures Inc.; have been subjected to normal use for the purpose for which the goods were designed; have not been exposed to saltwater or salt spray; have not been subjected to misuse, negligence, vandalism, or accident; have not been subjected to addition or substitution of parts; and have not been modified, altered, or repaired by persons other than Manufacturer or Manufacturer's designees in any respect which, in the judgement of Manufacturer, affects the condition or operation of the structures.

To make a claim, send your written statement of claim, along with the original job number or invoice number to: Landscape Structures Inc. 601 7th Street South, Delano, Minnesota, 55328-8605.

Signed: President Date: 01/01/2021



### **Terms of Sale**

**PRICING:** Landscape Structures' list prices do not include delivery and handling charges. Prices are subject to change without notice.

**TERMS:** To tax-supported institutions and those with established credit: net 30 days from the date of the invoice. 1.5% per month thereafter; freight charges are prepaid and applied to the invoice.

**TAXES:** Landscape Structures' list prices do not include applicable taxes, if any.

**WEIGHTS:** Weights are approximate and may vary.

**DELIVERY:** If delivery of the equipment is by common carrier, and there is damage or a shortage, notify the carrier at once and sign delivery documents provided by the carrier noting the damage or shortage. Most products are delivered on large pallets and will require a forklift or similar equipment to unload as a unit on the site.

**INSTALLATION:** All playstructures and/or equipment are delivered unassembled and packaged with recyclable materials. For a list of factory-certified installers in your area, please contact your Landscape Structures playground consultant.

**SERVICE:** We have knowledgeable, qualified playground consultants throughout the world who are available to help you before, during and after the sale. Landscape Structures has exclusive design software that features all of our parts and pieces in pull-down menus. With this software, your playground consultant can design a playground layout that meets not only your needs, but ASTM and CPSC standards as well. In addition, we have a full staff of CPSI-certified designers, along with 2-D and 3-D drawing capabilities and custom capabilities to assist you with your playground plans.

**RETURN POLICY:** As an indication of our commitment to our customers, Landscape Structures will accept returns of new structures and/or new equipment purchased within 60 days of the original invoice date. Advance notification is necessary to ensure proper credit. Parts not included in this return policy are custom parts (including PlayShaper® posts), as well as used or damaged parts. A 20% restock fee plus all return freight charges will apply to all product returns. NOTE: All parts are subject to inspection upon return. Parts returned damaged may not receive a full credit. For this reason, it is important that all returned parts are properly packaged to prevent damage while in transit. Please contact your Landscape Structures playground consultant for the shipping address.

**PRODUCT CHANGES:** Because of our commitment to safety, innovation, and value, we reserve the right to change specifications at any time.

#### **PLEASE CONTACT US AT:**

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# **Product Warranty**

Products and components manufactured by Aquatix are designed and built according to the highest standards. However, in the event of any warranty requirements, Aquatix, will work attentively to resolve the request.

#### **Warranties**

**1 Year** All mechanical system components against defects in workmanship and materials.

2 Years All moving parts, finishes, hardware, polyurethane collars, acrylic and plastic

panel attachments. HydroLogix System components against defects in workmanship and materials.

5 Years All brass and stainless steel components, including, spray nozzles, spray caps, and

spray heads.

25 Years All stainless steel and fiberglass structures against defects in workmanship and

materials: fiberglass structures also include a lifetime warranty against rust and

corrosion.

The warranty period starts from date of shipment. Warranties stated above are valid only if products have been installed in conformance with Aquatix installation and assembly instructions and maintained according to the maintenance procedures furnished by Aquatix; have not been subjected to abnormal use other than the purpose for which the products were designed; have not been subjected to misuse, negligence, vandalism, lightning or accident, flood, operator error, Acts of God, failure to comply with codes of the jurisdiction having authority, have not been subjected to additional or substitution of parts; and have not been modified, altered, or repaired by persons other than seller or seller's designees in any respect which, in the judgment of the seller, affects the condition of operation of the structures and/or components.

The liability of Aquatix under this warranty is limited to the replacement of defective material within the warranty period. Aquatix will not be responsible for costs associated with shipment, removal or re-installation of defective material.

This warranty is exclusive and in lieu of all other warranties, whether expressed or implied, including but not limited to any warranty of merchantability or of fitness for a particular purpose.

Any surety bonds issued pursuant to any contract or seller's invoice shall not include coverage for this guarentee or warranty beyond one year.

If you would like to make a claim, please contact your representative or send your written statement of claim, along with the original project number and/or project name to:

Aquatix by Landscape Structures 1101 McKinley Parkway Delano 55328 To contact Aquatix with any questions or comments:

Call Toll-free: **877. 632. 0503** Phone: **952.445.5135** 

Email: aquatix@playlsi.com



# **GFRC Product Warranty**

Products and components manufactured by Aquatix are designed and built according to the highest standards. However, in the event of any warranty requirements, Aquatix, will work attentively to resolve the request. Aquatix and LSI create detailed sculptures and all final products are done to the best of our abilities within the manufacturing timespan we have to create such products. LSI is not a museum quality sculpting company. Therefore it should be clearly understood that the finish products may vary slightly from any drawing or reference pictures shown throughout the concept process. Changes can be made for any of the following reasons: ASTM standards, best and safe practices for play environments, age range of user group, structural concerns to include shipping, handeling and placement of sculptures, appropriate and adequate space for plumbing and nozzle locations.

#### **Warranties**

**Nozzles** All nozzles brass or stainless have a 5 year wararnty- It must be noted that routine maintenence is required to minimize scale build up, corrosion ect. on any nozzles.

**GFRC** Shall have a 5 year warranty of any structure or exterior defects-exclusion include efforescence, hairlne crakes (defined by anything wider than a nickle in width) and

saplling, flaking or wear and tear to paint coat due to traffic locations

**Finish** Paint and clear coats shall be warranted for a period of 2 years against peeling or fading

in normal environmental conditions. Does not cover any clouding of paint/clear coat due to improper chemicals, pool additives or pool cleaning products. High pressure power washing is NOT recommended to periodically clean the sculptures surface

**Exclusions** This warranty does not cover damage resulting in vandalism, improper maintenance or

other conditions beyond control of LSI. It does not cover labor, materials or other expenses required to implement such repairs. LSI shall not be held liable for any damage to other equipment or materials, loss of time, profit or any incovenience dicrectly or

indirectly resulting in the failure of any product provided by LSI.

The warranty period starts from date of shipment. Warranties stated above are valid only if products have been installed in conformance with Aquatix installation and assembly instructions and maintained according to the maintenance procedures furnished by Aquatix; have not been subjected to abnormal use other than the purpose for which the products were designed; have not been subjected to misuse, negligence, vandalism, lightning or accident, flood, operator error, Acts of God, failure to comply with codes of the jurisdiction having authority, have not been subjected to additional or substitution of parts; and have not been modified, altered, or repaired by persons other than seller or seller's designees in any respect which, in the judgment of the seller, affects the condition of operation of the structures and/or components.

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