

TIPS VENDOR AGREEMENT

Between Landscapes Unlimited, LLC and

THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM (TIPS)

For

RCSP 170201 Trades, Labor and Materials (JOC)

General Information

The Vendor Agreement (“Agreement”) made and entered into by and between The Interlocal Purchasing System (hereinafter referred to as “TIPS” respectfully) 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. 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.

The vendor Agreement shall include and incorporate by reference this Agreement, the terms and conditions, special terms and conditions, any agreed upon amendments, as well as all of the sections of the solicitation as posted, including any addenda and the awarded vendor’s proposal. Once signed, if an awarded vendor’s proposal varies or is unclear in any way from the TIPS Agreement, TIPS, at its sole discretion, will decide which provision will prevail. Other documents to be included are the awarded vendor’s proposals, task orders, purchase orders and any adjustments which have been issued. If deviations are submitted to TIPS by the proposing vendor as provided by and within the solicitation process, this Agreement may be amended to incorporate any agreed deviations.

The following pages will constitute the Agreement between the successful vendors(s) and TIPS. Bidders shall state, in a separate writing, and include with their proposal response, any required exceptions or deviations from these terms, conditions, and specifications. If agreed to by TIPS, they will be incorporated into the final Agreement.

Definitions

PURCHASE ORDER 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 to between the vendor and TIPS member will be added as addendums to the PO. Items such as certificate of insurance, bonding requirements, small or disadvantaged business goals are some of the addendums possible.

Terms and Conditions

Freight

All deliveries shall be freight prepaid, F.O.B. destination and shall be included in all pricing offered unless otherwise clearly stated in writing.

Warranty Conditions

All supplies equipment and services shall include manufacturer's minimum standard warranty unless otherwise agreed to in writing. Vendor shall be an authorized dealer, distributor or manufacturer for all products. All equipment proposed shall be new unless clearly stated in writing. Vendor warrants against loss or damage from any defect in materials or workmanship furnished under a Purchase Order for a period of one (1) year from the date of substantial completion of Vendor's work under such Purchase Order. The exclusive remedy for defective work shall be repair or replacement of such work for a period of one year. Vendor shall commence repair or replacements of defective work within 14 days from receipt of written notice from the Cooperative Member.

Customer Support

The Vendor shall provide timely and accurate customer support to TIPS members. Vendors shall respond to such requests within one (1) working day after receipt of the request. Vendor shall provide training regarding products and services supplied by the Vendor unless otherwise clearly stated in writing at the time of purchase. (Unless training is a line item sold or packaged and must be purchased with product.)

Agreements

All Agreements and agreements between Vendors and TIPS Members shall strictly adhere to the statutes that are set forth in the Uniform Commercial Code as most recently revised.

Agreements for purchase will normally be put into effect by means of a purchase order(s) executed by authorized agents of the participating government entities.

Davis Bacon Act requirements will be met when Federal Funds are used for construction and/or repair of buildings.

Additional business terms related to the services provided by Vendor and not otherwise provided for by the General Terms and Conditions shall be established by mutual agreement of the parties prior to commencement of Vendor's performance obligations pursuant to a Purchase Order.

The Member is free to negotiate and execute and supplemental agreement , such as , but not limited to and version of an AIA contract(s) and the parties may include any terms and conditions they choose in said contracts except the pricing must comply with the Tips solicitation awarded to the Vendor.

Tax exempt status

A taxable item sold, leased, rented to, stored, used, or consumed by any of the following governmental entities is exempted from the taxes imposed by this chapter:(1) the United States; (2) an unincorporated instrumentality of the United States; (3) a corporation that is an agency or instrumentality of the United States and is wholly owned by the United States or by another corporation wholly owned by the United States;(4) the State of Texas; (5) a Texas county, city, special district, or other political subdivision; or (6) a state, or a governmental unit of a state that borders Texas, but only to the extent that the other state or governmental unit exempts or does not impose a tax on similar sales of items to this state or a political subdivision of this state. Texas Tax Code § 151.309.

Assignments of Agreements

No assignment of Agreement may be made without the prior written approval of TIPS. Payment can only be made to the awarded Vendor or vendor assigned dealer.

Disclosures

1. Vendor affirms that he/she 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.
2. 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 participants in the TIPS program.
3. 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.

Renewal of Agreements

The Agreement with TIPS is for one (1) year with an option for renewal for additional consecutive years as provided in the solicitation. Total term of Agreement can be up to the number of years provided in the solicitation, if sales are reported through the Agreement and both parties agree.

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 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 or executed Agreement 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 ordered products within a commercially reasonable time after the receipt of the order. If a product cannot be shipped within that time, the Vendor shall notify TIPS and

the requesting entity as to why the product has not shipped and shall provide an estimated shipping date, if applicable. TIPS or the requesting entity may cancel the order if estimated shipping time is not acceptable.

Invoices

The Vendor or vendor assigned dealer shall submit invoices, to the TIPS participant. Each invoice shall include the TIPS participant's purchase order number. The shipment tracking number or pertinent information for verification of TIPS participant receipt shall be made available upon request. The Vendor or vendor assigned dealer shall not invoice for partial shipments unless agreed to in writing in advance by TIPS and the TIPS participant.

Payments

The TIPS participant will make payments directly to the Vendor or vendor assigned dealer at net 30 days after receiving invoice.

Pricing

The Vendor Agreements to provide pricing to TIPS and its participating governmental entities that is the lowest pricing available to like cooperative purchasing customers and the pricing shall remain so throughout the duration of the Agreement.

The Vendor agrees to promptly lower the cost of any product purchased through TIPS following a reduction in the manufacturer or publisher's direct cost to the Vendor. Price increases will be honored. However, the Vendor shall honor previous prices for thirty (30) days after written notification to TIPS of an increase.

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 customer. Failure to render the participation fee to TIPS shall constitute a breach

of this agreement and shall be grounds for termination of this agreement and any other agreement held with TIPS.

Participation Fees

Vendor or vendor assigned dealer Agreements to pay the participation fee for all Agreement sales to TIPS on a monthly scheduled report. Vendor must login to the TIPS database and use the "Submission Report" section to report sales. The Vendor or vendor assigned dealers are responsible for keeping record of all sales that go through the TIPS Agreement. Failure to pay the participation fee will result in termination of Agreement. Please contact TIPS at tips@tipsusa.com or call (866) 839-8477 if you have questions about paying fees.

Indemnity

1. **Indemnity for Personality Agreements.** Vendor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold TIPS and Cooperative Member and their respective officers and employees harmless from and against all liability and claims for loss of or damage to tangible property or claims for injuries to or death of any persons, but only to the extent such loss, damage or claim is caused by the fault or negligent acts or omissions of Vendor arising out of or in connection with the services provided by Vendor, its subcontractors or someone for whom Vendor is legally responsible; provided, however, that Vendor's obligation shall not extend to any loss or damage caused by TIPS, the Cooperative Member, their respective offices and employees, or anyone for whom TIPS or the Cooperative Member is legally responsible.
2. **Indemnity may be altered by a Member that solely affect the Member by agreement with the Vendor.** No other party may alter TIPS rights under this agreement.
3. **Indemnity for Performance Agreements.** Vendor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold TIPS and Cooperative Member and their respective officers and employees harmless from and against all liability and claims for loss of or damage to tangible property or claims for injuries to or death of any persons, but only to the extent such loss, damage or claim is caused by the fault or negligent acts or omissions of Vendor arising out of or in connection with the services provided by Vendor, its subcontractors or someone for whom Vendor is legally responsible; provided, however, that Vendor's obligation shall not extend to any loss or damage caused by TIPS, the Cooperative Member, their respective offices and employees, or anyone for whom TIPS or the Cooperative Member is legally responsible.
4. **Indemnity may be altered by a Member that solely affect the Member by agreement with the Vendor.** No other party may alter TIPS rights under this agreement.

Waiver of Consequential Damages

Neither Vendor nor TIPS shall be liable to the other for any indirect, special, consequential, incidental or exemplary damages or losses of any kind, whether arising in contract, warranty, tort (including negligence), strict liability or otherwise, including, but not limited to, losses of use, profits, business, reputation, or financing. This waiver shall survive completion or termination of the Contract.

Multiple Vendor Awards

TIPS reserves the right to award multiple vendor Agreements for categories when deemed in the best interest of the TIPS membership. Bidders scoring 80% or above will be considered for an award. Categories are established at the discretion of TIPS.

State of Texas Franchise Tax

By signature hereon, the bidder 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 participants will submit any orders at any time. TIPS reserves the right to request additional proposals for items already on Agreement at any time.

Purchase Order Pricing/Product Deviation

If a deviation of pricing/product on a purchase order occurs, TIPS is to be notified within 24 hours of receipt of order.

Cancellation for non-performance or Agreement deficiency

TIPS may terminate any Agreement if TIPS Members have not used the Agreement, or if purchase volume is determined to be "low volume" in any 12-month period. TIPS reserves the right to cancel the whole or any part of this Agreement due to failure by awarded vendor to carry out any obligation, term or condition of the Agreement. TIPS may issue a written deficiency notice to awarded vendor for acting or failing to act in any of the following:

- Providing material that does not meet the specifications of the Agreement;
- Providing work and/or material that was not awarded under the Agreement;
- Failing to adequately perform the services set forth in the scope of work and specifications;
- Failing to complete required work or furnish required materials within a reasonable amount of time;
- Failing to make progress in performance of the Agreement and/or giving TIPS reason to believe that awarded vendor will not or cannot perform the requirements of the Agreement; and/or
- Performing work or providing services under the Agreement prior to receiving a TIPS reviewed purchase order for such work.

Upon receipt of the written deficiency, awarded vendor shall have ten (10) days to provide a satisfactory response to TIPS. Failure to adequately address all issues of concern may result in Agreement cancellation. Upon cancellation under this paragraph, all goods, materials, work, documents, data and reports prepared by awarded vendor under this Agreement shall become the property of the TIPS Member on demand.

TIPS Member Purchasing Procedures

Purchase orders are issued by participating TIPS member to the awarded vendor indicating on the PO "Agreement Number". Purchase Order is 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.
- Awarded vendor reports sales monthly to TIPS (unless prior arrangements have been made with TIPS to report monthly).

Form of Agreement

If a vendor submitting an offer requires TIPS and/or TIPS Member to sign an additional agreement, a copy of the proposed agreement must be included with the proposal. In response to submitted supplemental Vendor Agreement documents, TIPS will review proposed vendor Agreement documents. Vendor's Agreement document shall not become part of TIPS's Agreement with vendor unless and until an authorized representative of TIPS reviews and approves it.

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 fully informed of and in compliance with all ordinances and regulations pertaining to the lawful provision of services under the Agreement. TIPS reserves the right to stop work and/or cancel Agreement of any awarded vendor whose license(s) expire, lapse, are suspended or terminated.

Novation

If awarded vendor sells or transfers all assets or the entire portion of the assets used to perform this Agreement, a successor in interest must guarantee to perform all obligations under this Agreement. TIPS reserves the right to accept or reject any new party. A simple change of name agreement will not change the Agreement obligations of awarded vendor.

Site Requirements (when applicable to service or job)

Cleanup: Awarded vendor shall clean up and remove all debris and rubbish resulting from their work as required or directed by TIPS Member. 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 sub-contractor 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.

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.

Smoking

Persons working under Agreement shall adhere to local smoking policies. Smoking will only be permitted in posted areas or off premises.

Invoices

The awarded vendor shall submit invoices to the participating entity clearly stating "Per TIPS Agreement". The shipment tracking number or pertinent information for verification shall be made available upon request.

Marketing

Awarded vendor agrees to allow TIPS to use their name and logo within website, marketing materials and advertisement. 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.

Supplemental agreements

The entity participating in the TIPS Agreement and awarded vendor may enter into a separate supplemental agreement to further define the level of service requirements over and above the minimum defined in this Agreement i.e. invoice requirements, ordering requirements, specialized delivery, etc. Any supplemental agreement developed as a result of this Agreement is exclusively between the participating entity and awarded vendor. TIPS, its agents, TIPS members and employees shall not be made party to any claim for breach of such agreement.

Survival Clause

All applicable software license agreements, warranties or service agreements that were entered into between Vendor and Customer under the terms and conditions of the Agreement shall survive the expiration or termination of the Agreement. All Purchase Orders issued and accepted by Order Fulfiller shall survive expiration or termination of the 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 this RFP and any awarded Agreement thereof. Applicable laws and regulations must be followed even if not specifically identified herein.

Audit rights

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 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. TIPS shall have authority to conduct random audits of Awarded Vendor's pricing that is offered to TIPS Members. 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. In the event of an audit, the requested materials shall be provided in the format and at the location designated by Region 8 ESC or TIPS.

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 fully 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.

Services

When applicable, performance bonds and payment bonds will be required on construction or labor required jobs. Awarded vendor will meet the TIPS member's local and state purchasing requirements. Awarded vendors may need to provide additional capacity as jobs increase. Bonds will not require that a fee be paid to TIPS. The actual cost of the bond will be a pass through to the TIPS member and added to the purchase order or Agreement.

Scope of Services

The specific scope of work for each job shall be determined in advance and in writing between TIPS Member and Awarded vendor. It is okay if the TIPS member provides a general scope, but the awarded vendor should provide a written scope of work to the TIPS member as part of the proposal.

Once the scope of the job is agreed to, the TIPS member will issue a PO and/or an Agreement with the estimate referenced as an attachment along with bond and any other special provisions agreed to for the TIPS member. If special terms and conditions other than those covered within this solicitation and awarded Agreements are required, they will be attached to the PO and shall take precedence over those in the base Agreement.

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 has services that need to be undertaken. Notification may occur via phone, the web, email, fax, or in person.

Upon notification of a pending request, the awarded vendor shall make contact with the TIPS member as soon as possible, but must make contact with the TIPS member within two working days.

Scheduling of Projects

Scheduling of projects (if applicable) will be accomplished when the TIPS member issues a purchase order that will serve as "the notice to proceed". The period for the delivery order will include the mobilization, materials purchase, installation and delivery, design, weather, and site cleanup and inspection. A schedule for completion of the services to be provided by Vendor shall be established by mutual agreement of the Vendor and the Cooperative Member. Vendor does not accept any responsibility for schedule shortcomings related to the actions or inaction of others not under direct supervision of the Vendor. In the event of delays in performing or completing the services, through no fault of Vendor, Vendor shall be granted an extension of the time for performance in the event of delays caused by force majeure events, and for all other delays, Vendor shall be given an equitable adjustment to the contract time and contract sum. When the tasks have been completed the awarded vendor shall notify the client and have the TIPS member inspect the work for acceptance under the scope and terms in the PO. The TIPS member will issue in writing any corrective actions that are required. Upon completion of these items, the TIPS member will issue a completion notice and final payment will be issued.

Support Requirements

If there is a dispute between the awarded vendor and TIPS member, TIPS or its representatives will assist in conflict resolution or third party (mandatory mediation), if requested by either party. TIPS, or its representatives, reserves the right to inspect any project and audit the awarded vendors TIPS project files, documentation and correspondence.

Incorporation of Solicitation

The TIPS Request for Proposals or the Request for Competitive Sealed Proposals solicitation and all associated documents and forms made part of the solicitation process, including any addenda, that resulted in the execution of this agreement are hereby incorporated by reference into this agreement as if copied verbatim.

Special Terms and Conditions

It is the intent of TIPS to Agreement with a reliable, high performance vendor to supply products and services to government and educational agencies. It is the experience of TIPS that the following procedures provide TIPS, the Vendor, and the participating agency the necessary support to facilitate a mutually beneficial relationship. The specific procedures will be negotiated with the successful vendor.

- **Agreements:** All vendor purchase orders and/or Agreements/agreements must be emailed to TIPS at tipspo@tips-usa.com. Should an agency send an order direct to vendor, it is the vendor's responsibility to forward the order to TIPS at the email above within 24 business hours and confirm its receipt with TIPS.
- **Promotion of Agreement:** It is agreed that Vendor will encourage all eligible entities to purchase from the TIPS Program. Encouraging entities to purchase directly from the Vendor and not through 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.
- **Daily Order Confirmation:** All Agreement purchase orders will be approved daily by TIPS and sent to vendor. The vendor must confirm receipt of orders to the TIPS member (customer) within 24 business hours.
- **Vendor custom website for TIPS:** If Vendor is hosting a custom TIPS website, then updated pricing must be posted by 1st of each month.
- **Back Ordered Products:** If product is not expected to ship within 3 business days, customer is to be notified within 24 hours and appropriate action taken based on customer request.

Term of Agreement is one year with renewal options for up to two additional years as provided in the solicitation.

Note: Page 12 of 12 will be the signature page

TIPS Vendor Agreement Signature Form

RCSP 170201 Trades, Labor and Materials (JOC)

Company Name Landscapes Unlimited, LLC

Address 1201 Aries Drive

City Lincoln State NE Zip 68512

Phone (402) 423-6653 Fax (402) 423-4487

Email of Authorized Representative roy@landscapesunlimited.com

Name of Authorized Representative Roy Wilson

Title Assistant Manager

Signature of Authorized Representative 

Date March 14, 2017

TIPS Authorized Representative Name Meredith Barton

Title Vice-President of Operations

TIPS Authorized Representative Signature 

Approved by ESC Region 8 

Date 3/23/2017

The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS Cooperative) Supplier Response

Bid Information		Contact Information		Ship to Information
Bid Creator	Mr. David Mabe General Manager	Address	Region VIII Education Service Center 4845 US Highway 271 North Pittsburg, TX 75686	Address
Email	david.mabe@tips-usa.com			Contact
Phone	+1 (903) 243-4759			
Fax	+1 (866) 749-6674	Contact	Kim Thompson, TIPS Office Manager	Department Building
Bid Number	170201 Addendum 1			
Title	Trades, Labor and Materials (JOC)	Department Building		Floor/Room
Bid Type	RFP			Telephone
Issue Date	2/2/2017 08:00 AM (CT)			Fax
Close Date	3/17/2017 03:00:00 PM (CT)	Floor/Room		Email
		Telephone	+1 (866) 839-8477	
		Fax	+1 (866) 839-8472	
		Email	bids@tips-usa.com	

Supplier Information

Company Landscapes Unlimited, LLC
 Address 1201 Aries Drive

 Lincoln, NE 68461
 Contact Joey Williams
 Department
 Building
 Floor/Room
 Telephone (402) 423-6653
 Fax (402) 423-4487
 Email jwilliams@landscapesunlimited.com
 Submitted 3/15/2017 05:24:35 PM (CT)
 Total \$0.00

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

Signature Michael Surls

Email msurls@LandscapesUnlimited.com

Supplier Notes

Bid Notes

Bid Activities

Bid Messages

Bid Attributes

Please review the following and respond where necessary

#	Name	Note	Response
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	Highly Underutilized Business - HUB (Required by some participating governmental entities) Vendor certifies that their firm is a HUB? 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)	
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.)	Landscapes Unlimited (LU) is a full-service development, construction, operations and management firm that performs these functions with in-house resources. Our development and construction services include pre-construction and planning services, site development, mass excavation, grading and laser leveling, irrigation and drainage installation, water features, playgrounds, lighting, landscape construction, complete sports fields and athletic complex development (natural and synthetic), green space development, environmental remediation and mitigation, golf course construction and renovation and all amenity structures associated with these types of projects. LU's operations and management capabilities include strategic planning, start-up, pre-opening services, grow-in and maturation, grounds maintenance, procurement and turn-key facility/outdoor management for recreational, golf and other community venues and public access areas. The outdoor experience is a vital part of a community. The quality of these amenities, in appearance, service and function, is one of the most influential factors for families in choosing the community in which they live. We are uniquely qualified to provide a consistent experience and a cost effective solution, for all of your outdoor needs.
6	Primary Contact Name	Primary Contact Name	Jeff Cordes

7	Primary Contact Title	Primary Contact Title	Project Manager
8	Primary Contact Email	Primary Contact Email	jcordes@landscapesunlimited.com
9	Primary Contact Phone	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	402-423-6653
10	Primary Contact Fax	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	402-423-4487
11	Primary Contact Mobile	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	402-416-7117
12	Secondary Contact Name	Secondary Contact Name	Joey Williams
13	Secondary Contact Title	Secondary Contact Title	Project Management Assistant
14	Secondary Contact Email	Secondary Contact Email	jwilliams@landscapesunlimited.com
15	Secondary Contact Phone	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	402-423-6653
16	Secondary Contact Fax	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	402-423-4487
17	Secondary Contact Mobile	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	
18	Admin Fee Contact Name	Admin Fee Contact Name. This person is responsible for paying the admin fee to TIPS.	Joey Williams
19	Admin Fee Contact Email	Admin Fee Contact Email	jwilliams@landscapesunlimited.com
20	Admin Fee Contact Phone	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	402-423-6653
21	Purchase Order Contact Name	Purchase Order Contact Name. This person is responsible for receiving Purchase Orders from TIPS.	Joey Williams
22	Purchase Order Contact Email	Purchase Order Contact Email	jwilliams@landscapesunlimited.com
23	Purchase Order Contact Phone	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	402-423-6653
24	Company Website	Company Website (Format - www.company.com)	www.landscapesunlimited.com
25	Federal ID Number:	Federal ID Number also known as the Employer Identification Number. (Format - 12-3456789)	47-0822871
26	Primary Address	Primary Address	1201 Aries Drive
27	Primary Address City	Primary Address City	Lincoln
28	Primary Address State	Primary Address State (2 Digit Abbreviation)	NE
29	Primary Address Zip	Primary Address Zip	68512

30 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.)

*Athletic Fields *Parks *Natural Grass Fields *Contractor *Recreational *Recreational Development *Projects *Golf *Golf Course *Athletic Facilities *Playground *Synthetic running tracks *Irrigation *Irrigation Systems *Landscaping *Hiking Trails *Bike Trails *Trails *Hike and Bike Trails *Concrete Flatwork *Bunker Construction *Putting Greens *Tee boxes *Water Features *Retaining walls *Laser grading *Drainage *Site work *Mass excavation *site amenities * Construction Management *Renovation *Program Management *Green Space *Concrete *Walking Trails *Landscapes *Landscapes Unlimited *Landscapes Unlimited, LLC *Landscapes Unlimited LLC *Design/Build *Sod installation *Planting seed *contract manager *construction management *Dynamic drainage base *Artificial turf fields *Synthetic turf fields *Landscapes Unlimited Management *Equipment *Supplies *Service *Outdoor *Operations *Maintenance *Grounds *Grounds Maintenance *Landscape *Landscape Maintenance *Landscape Operations *Event *Repair *Golf Course Operations *Golf Course Maintenance *Athletics *Recreation *Pre-Opening *Retail *Food and Beverage *Sales and Marketing *Membership Planning *Agronomy *Turfgrass Management *Fleet Management *Human Resources *Accounting *Finance *Training *Safety *Amenity *Cart Fleet *Capital Expenditure *Budget Planning *Leasing

31 Yes - No

Do you wish to be eligible to participate in a TIPS contract in which a TIPS member utilizes federal funds on contracts exceeding \$100,000? (Non-Construction)

Yes

32 Yes - No

Certification of Residency (Required by the State of Texas) Company submitting bid is a Texas resident bidder?

No

33 Company Residence (City)

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

Lincoln

34 Company Residence (State)

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

Nebraska

35 Pricing Information:

Pricing information section. (Questions 36 - 38)

(No Response Required)

36 Yes - No

Pricing submitted includes the TIPS administration fee?

No

37 Yes - No

Vendor agrees to remit to TIPS the required administration fee?

Yes

38 Yes - No

Additional discounts to TIPS members for bulk quantities or scope of work?

No

39	Years Experience	Company years experience in this category?	40
40	Prices are guaranteed for?	(__ Month(s), __ Year(s), or Term of Contract) (Standard term is "Term of Contract")	Term of Contract
41	Estimating Requirements	Awarded contractor must use Cost Works, JOC Works, RS Means Online, 4 Clicks, or Other Approved estimating software. If the contractor selects "Other Software", please make the request for approval in the next attribute question.	Other Software
42	Other Estimating Software	Please list the program name, website address and phone number of the requested estimating software.	RS Means Book with Bid 2 Win Software, www.b2wsoftware.com address: 99 Bow Street, Suite 500 Portsmouth, NH 03801, Phone: (800) 336.3808
43	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.	(No Response Required)
44	CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE - FORM CIQ	If you have a conflict of interest as described in this form or the Local Government Code Chapter 176, cited therein- you are required to complete and file with TIPS, Richard Powell, 4845 US Highway 271 North, Pittsburg, Texas 75686 You may find the Blank CIQ form on our website at: Copy and Paste the following link into a new browser or tab: https://www.tips-usa.com/assets/documents/docs/CIQ.pdf Do you have any conflicts under this statutory requirement?	No
45	Filing of Form CIQ	If yes (above), have you filed a form CIQ as directed here?	

46 Certification Regarding Lobbying

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

You may find the Blank Certification Regarding Lobbying form on our website at:

Copy and Paste the following link into a new browser or tab:

<https://www.tips-usa.com/assets/documents/docs/CRL.pdf>

Do you certify the three (3) certification of lobbying statements above? If you do not certify the three (3) statements above please download the Certification Regarding Lobbying form, fill out the form, sign the form, scan the form and upload to the Certification Regarding Lobbying section on the "Response Attachments" tab.

47 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

48 Regulatory Standing

Regulatory Standing explanation of no answer.

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

By submission of this bid or proposal, the Bidder certifies (No Response Required)
that:

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.

Instructions for Certification:

(No Response Required)

1. By agreeing to the form, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out on the form 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.

- 51 Suspension or Debarment Certification 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 governmentwide 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. Yes
- By submitting this offer and certifying this section, this bidder:
Certifies that no suspension or disbarment is in place, which would preclude receiving a federally funded contract as described above.
- 52 Non-Discrimination Statement and Certification In accordance with Federal civil rights law and 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. Yes
- Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotope, 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)
- USDA is an 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 law and regulations.

53 2 CFR PART 200 Contract Provisions
Explanation

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

(No Response Required)

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 is the subgrantee or Subrecipient by definition. The federal Rule numbering or identification below is only for reference purpose on this form and does not identify an actual Federal designation or location of the rule. The Rules 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.

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.

54 2 CFR PART 200 (A) Contracts

Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$150,000, 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 Federal Rule (A) 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?

55 2 CFR PART 200 (B) 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 Federal Rule (B) 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?

56	2 CFR PART 200 (G) Clean Air Act	<p>Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended—Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000 must contain a provision that requires the non-Federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).</p> <p>Pursuant to Federal Rule (G) 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 the terms listed and referenced therein.</p> <p>Does vendor agree?</p>	Yes
57	2 CFR PART 200 (H) Debarment and Suspension	<p>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 governmentwide 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.</p> <p>Pursuant to Federal Rule (H) 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 of an award by the ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members resulting for this procurement process the vendor certifies that they are not debarred from receiving a contract from the federal government as provided therein.</p> <p>Does vendor agree?</p>	Yes
58	2 CFR PART 200 (I) Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment	<p>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.</p> <p>Pursuant to Federal Rule (I) 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 after the awarded term of an award by the ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members resulting for this procurement process the vendor certifies to the terms included or referenced therein.</p> <p>Does vendor agree?</p>	Yes

59	2 CFR PART 200 Federal Rule (12)	<p>Federal Rule (12) 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 \$100,000)</p> <p>Pursuant to Federal Rule (12) 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 \$100,000, 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).</p> <p>Does vendor certify that it is in compliance with the Clean Air Act?</p>	Yes
60	2 CFR PART 200 Procurement of Recovered Materials	<p>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</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Does vendor certify that it is in compliance with the Solid Waste Disposal Act as described above?</p>	Yes

61 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." 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

62 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 must 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?

No

63	Remedies Explanation of No Answer		Neither Vendor nor Cooperative Member shall be liable to the other for any indirect, special, consequential, incidental or exemplary damages or losses of any kind, whether arising in contract, warranty, tort (including negligence), strict liability or otherwise, including, but not limited to, losses of use, profits, business, reputation, or financing. This waiver shall survive completion or termination of all Purchase Orders and the Contract.
64	Choice of Law	<p>This agreement and any addenda or other additions and all contracts or awards 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.</p> <p>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?</p>	Yes
65	Jurisdiction and Service of Process	<p>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 clauses in contracts with TIPS members may be determined by the parties.</p> <p>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?</p>	Yes
66	Alternative Dispute Resolution	<p>Prior to filing of litigation, the parties may select non-binding mediation as a method of conflict resolution for issues arising out of or relating to this procurement process or any contract resulting from or any contemplated transaction. The parties agree that if nonbinding mediation is chosen as a resolution process, the parties must agree to the chosen mediator(s) and that all mediation venue shall be at a location in Camp or Titus, County, Texas agreed by the parties. The parties agree to share equally the cost of the mediation process and venue cost.</p>	Yes, I Agree

Do you agree to these terms?

67 Alternative Dispute Resolution Explanation of No Answer

68 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 in connection with the vendor's proposal or ultimate contracts awarded and approved.
Do you agree to these terms? Yes, I Agree

69 Infringement(s) Explanation of No Answer

70 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? No

71 Acts or Omissions Explanation of No Answer

Vendor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold Cooperative Member harmless from and against all liability and claims for loss of or damage to tangible property or claims for injuries to or death of any persons, but only to the extent such loss, damage or claim is caused by the fault or negligent acts or omissions of Vendor arising out of or in connection with the services provided by Vendor, its subcontractors or someone for whom Vendor is legally responsible; provided, however, that Vendor's obligation shall not extend to any loss or damage caused by the Cooperative Member or anyone for whom the Cooperative Member is legally responsible.

72 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

73 Payment Terms and Funding Out Clause

Payment Terms:

Yes

TIPS members pay net 30 or at point of sale and complies with the State of Texas payment law, Texas Government Code, Chapter 2251. See statute for specifics or consult your legal counsel. These are minimum terms required of the TIPS member in Texas by law and the parties may negotiate custom payment terms as desired provided they do not violate the statutory requirements. Statutory or binding regulations control TIPS members in this contract.

Funding out Clause:

Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Sec. 271.903, any proposal offer accepted by TIPS and its members and all contracts to be approved are subject to the budgeting and appropriation of then currently available funds. See statute 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?

74 Insurance and Fingerprint Requirements Information

Insurance

(No Response Required)

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. 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.

See form in the next attribute to complete entitled:

Texas Education Code Chapter 22 Contractor Certification for Contractor Employees

<p>75 Texas Education Code Chapter 22 Contractor Certification for Contractor Employees</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>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:</p> <p>(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.</p> <p>I certify that:</p> <p>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.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>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:</p> <p>(1) Contractor has obtained all required criminal history record information regarding its covered employees. None of the covered employees has a disqualifying criminal history.</p> <p>(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.</p> <p>(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.</p> <p>(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.</p> <p>Noncompliance or misrepresentation regarding this certification may be grounds for contract termination.</p>	<p>Some</p>
<p>76 Solicitation Deviation/Compliance</p>	<p>Does the vendor agree with the General Conditions Standard Terms and Conditions or Item Specifications listed in this proposal invitation?</p>	<p>No</p>

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.

Exceptions:

1. In the event of a conflict between the Contract, including any documents attached thereto or incorporated therein by reference, and/or any Purchase Order and this Addendum, the terms and conditions in this Addendum will govern.

2. Neither Vendor nor Cooperative Member shall be liable to the other for any indirect, special, consequential, incidental or exemplary damages or losses of any kind, whether arising in contract, warranty, tort (including negligence), strict liability or otherwise, including, but not limited to, losses of use, profits, business, reputation, or financing. This waiver shall survive completion or termination of all Purchase Orders and the Contract.

3. A schedule for completion of the services to be provided by Vendor shall be established by mutual agreement of the Vendor and the Cooperative Member. Vendor does not accept any responsibility for schedule shortcomings related to the actions or inaction of others not under direct supervision of the Vendor. In the event of delays in performing or completing the services, through no fault of Vendor, Vendor shall be granted an extension of the time for performance in the event of delays caused by force majeure events, and for all other delays, Vendor shall be given an equitable adjustment to the contract time and contract sum.

4. Vendor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold Cooperative Member harmless from and against all liability and claims for loss of or damage to tangible property or claims for injuries to or death of any persons, but only to the extent such loss, damage or claim is caused by the fault or negligent acts or omissions of Vendor arising out of or in connection with the services provided by Vendor, its subcontractors or someone for whom Vendor is legally responsible; provided, however, that Vendor's obligation shall not extend to any loss or damage caused by the Cooperative Member or anyone for whom the Cooperative Member is legally responsible.

5. Vendor warrants against loss or damage from any defect in materials or workmanship furnished under a Purchase Order for a period of one (1) year from the date of substantial completion of Vendor's work under such Purchase Order. The exclusive remedy for defective work shall be repair or replacement of such work for a period of one year. Vendor shall commence repair or replacements of defective work within 14 days from receipt of written notice from the Cooperative Member.

6. Additional business terms related to the services provided by Vendor and not otherwise provided for by the General Terms and Conditions shall be established by mutual agreement of the parties prior to commencement of Vendor's performance obligations pursuant to a Purchase Order.

78 Agreement Deviation/Compliance

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

No

If the proposing Vendor desires to deviate from 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.

Exceptions:

1. In the event of a conflict between the Contract, including any documents attached thereto or incorporated therein by reference, and/or any Purchase Order and this Addendum, the terms and conditions in this Addendum will govern.
2. Neither Vendor nor Cooperative Member shall be liable to the other for any indirect, special, consequential, incidental or exemplary damages or losses of any kind, whether arising in contract, warranty, tort (including negligence), strict liability or otherwise, including, but not limited to, losses of use, profits, business, reputation, or financing. This waiver shall survive completion or termination of all Purchase Orders and the Contract.
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Line Items		
Response Total:		\$0.00

REFERENCES

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. DO NOT INCLUDE TIPS EMPLOYEES AS A REFERENCE.

You may provide more than three (3) references.

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References

<u>Project</u>	<u>Scope</u>	<u>Architect/Designer</u>	<u>Owner</u>
Mutz Park Ferris, TX Completion Date: 3/16/2012	Park New community park with Natural Turf - Athletic Field and amenities	Baker-Aicklen & Associates, Inc. Brian Binkowski Phone: (512) 244-9620 507 W. Liberty Avenue Round Rock, TX 78664	City of Ferris Eric Strong Phone: (972) 544-2110 100 Town Plaza Ferris, TX 75125
Lakeridge Parkway Grand Prairie, TX Completion Date: 12/9/2009	Other Installation of 2400 trees and Irrigation	HNTB Corporation James Kindred Phone: (214) 748-8400 2001 Bryan St., Suite 100 Dallas, TX 75201	City of Grand Prairie Tim Shinogle Phone: (214) 748-8400 PO Box 534045 Grand Prairie, TX 75053
Hickory Ridge Park Rockwall, TX Completion Date: 6/18/2008	Park New Community Park with amenities	MHS Planning & Design Mark Spencer Phone: (903) 597-6606 212 W Ninth Street Tyler, TX 75701	City of Rockwall Andy Hesser Phone: (972) 771-7700 385 S Goliad Rockwall, TX 75087
Emerald Bay Park Rockwall, TX Completion Date: 1/12/2008	Park New Community Park with amenities	MHS Planning & Design Mark Spencer Phone: (903) 597-6606 212 W Ninth Street Tyler, TX 75701	City of Rockwall Andy Hesser Phone: (972) 771-7700 385 S Goliad Rockwall, TX 75087
The Shores Neighborhood Park Rockwall, TX Completion Date: 6/10/2007	Park New Park that includes walking trails and basketball court	MHS Planning & Design Mark Spencer Phone: (903) 597-6606 212 W Ninth Street Tyler, TX 75701	City of Rockwall Andy Hesser Phone: (972) 771-7700 385 S Goliad Rockwall, TX 75087
East Metro Park (Phase I & II) Manor, TX Completion Date: 6/1/2008	Athletic Field – Natural Turf Baseball and Soccer Fields	Land Design Studio Robin Ganser Phone: (512) 467-7767 1135 West 6th Street Suite 140 Austin, TX 78703	County of Travis Roger Schuck Phone: (512) 854-4579 PO Box 3011 Commerce City, TX 75429-3011
Faulkner Park Tyler, TX Completion Date: 6/14/2007	Other Playground, Sprayground Parking Lot & Drive Project	MHS Planning & Design Mark Spencer Phone: (903) 597-6606 212 W Ninth Street Tyler, TX 75701	City Of Tyler John Webb Phone: (903) 531-1375 200 West Front Tyler, TX 75702

All jobs used approximately 90% of LU's own force

STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS



LANDSCAPES UNLIMITED, LLC

1201 Aries Drive
Lincoln, NE 68512
(402) 423-6653

Project Manager: Jake Riekstins
(402) 416-7062
jriekstins@landscapesunlimited.com

Number of Years in Business: 40 years
Founded in 1976



What We Do

GOLF CONSTRUCTION

Whatever the project size, we provide demonstrated experience, professionalism and an intense focus on the objectives of the project team at every stage. As one of the country's few fully integrated golf construction and development companies, we are positioned to assume sole responsibility for every aspect of our project.

GOLF IRRIGATION

Landscapes Unlimited is one of the few golf course general contractors in the industry that has its own Irrigation Division who's very skilled and very experienced team-members focus solely on irrigation installations. This expertise allows us to offer valuable insight into the design, installation, and maintenance of all types of irrigation systems.

SPORTS & RECREATION

We develop and construct athletic fields and recreation areas for all sports at every level of competition. Each project is given special consideration with an emphasis on sustainability during the planning and construction phases. LU delivers venues that are aesthetically pleasing, functional and safe.

CONSTRUCTION SUMMARY

- Over 1700 projects
- Full Equipment Fleet
- \$2 Billion in Revenues
- National Buying Power
- Industry LEADER
- Leader in HDPE Installations
- Specialized Staff
- Safety First
- Worldwide Project Development
- Bonding Capacity

LANDSCAPES UNLIMITED

The Nation's Leading Golf Development Company

Since 1976 Landscapes Unlimited (LU) has transformed the visions and plans of architects, designers, and developers into reality. Our staff of experienced professionals headed by Bill Kubly has completed more than 1,700 construction and renovation projects across the United States, Europe, Asia and the Caribbean.

LU provides **unlimited capabilities** through our four business units:

Construction, Irrigation, Project Development and Recreational Development.

These business units work individually or in unison to offer complete project delivery. This structure allows us the capability to tailor our services to the specific vision and needs of the client, while providing a tremendous amount of value-added experience and service to each and every project.

With regional offices in strategic locations across the country, LU is able to readily handle any new construction or renovation project as well as irrigation installations on new and existing facilities. We have a working familiarity with all the contracting specialties required to complete the most difficult and complex projects – **safely, on time, and within budget**. Attention to detail, open communication, and a principled focus on quality is the foundation of our solid reputation and lasting client relationships.



WHY LANDSCAPES UNLIMITED?

Providing **UNLIMITED SOLUTIONS** is a mindset. We are driven by the notion that success is no coincidence. Our formula is straightforward. Integrate lessons learned through years of hands-on experiences with an unparalleled commitment to quality, an attitude of partnership, innovation and creativity, and old-fashioned hard work.

- **EXPERIENCE:** 40-plus years in business. Almost 2000 completed projects domestically and internationally, valued at over \$2 billion.
- **DIVERSITY:** Projects of all sizes and scopes. A simple bunker rebuild is not too small, nor are turnkey developments budgeted at tens of millions of dollars, too large.
- **INNOVATION:** New approaches with the same core-values. We pride ourselves in being the industry pioneer and leader in alternative turnkey delivery...Design/Build, Design-Assist, Integrated Project Delivery, Design/Build/Operate, Program Management, to name a few.
- **CREATIVITY:** Projects have challenges, both predictable and those that arise mid-stream. Our team members are highly-experienced critical-thinkers. Imaginative and resourceful work-arounds keep a project on track.
- **QUALITY:** It has been our honor to have constructed more courses that have won more industry awards, than anyone in our business. Past clients can attest, no matter the size or the scope, all projects receive the same attention to details.
- **PARTNERSHIP:** Success is nurtured in a collaborative environment. We never view ourselves as just the "contractor". We consider ourselves an extension of the client's resources with a vested interest in their success.
- **HARD WORK:** The Company has evolved dramatically, but the one thing that has not changed, is our rock-solid, mid-west work ethic. We hit the job every morning with a commitment to succeed. **ROLL UP OUR SLEEVES, BEAT THE BUDGET, MEET THE SCHEDULE, EXCEED THE CLIENT'S EXPECTATIONS!** This attitude resonates on dozens of job sites every single day, just as it has over the past 40 years.

Customized Solutions

Golf Course Renovation - Construction and Irrigation

Golf Course Renovation/Remodeling

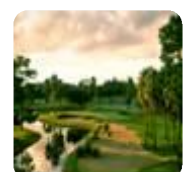
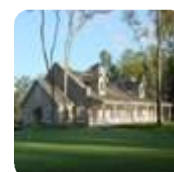
As Owners of golf courses we understand the challenges of executing a renovation project and the impact it can have on members and/or patrons and operations. We have refined our project delivery approach for renovation projects so that critical milestones are met with the aid of careful planning. We incorporate value engineering and an analysis of constructability so that the capital investment made is optimized. The experience level of our crews is the highest attainable and ensures that the level of quality of the renovation is world class. Finally, we never lose focus that the capital investment in the renovation project is a balance with the loss of some, or all, operational revenues during the renovation period. Our job is to get the club operational as soon as possible. LU's renovation experience covers the entire spectrum of projects, from the smallest bunker or tee renovation, to complete remodeling of a golf course facility. We are proud to have taken on some of the most challenging renovation projects in the industry.



Renovation Services

LU is one of the only full service golf course development and construction companies in the world. We have the capability of providing general contracting services with most of the activities being delivered with our own employees. We also have the capability to provide program management and design/build services which provide the Owner with a single point of responsibility for all design and construction elements of the project. In addition, we can manage the grow-in process of the golf course to have it ready for play to meet the clubs operational objectives.

- Golf Course Renovation/Remodeling
- Irrigation
- Grow-in and Maturation
- General Contracting
- Program Management
- Design/Build



Irrigation Renovation

LU began its history over 40 years ago as an irrigation contractor replacing and servicing systems on existing golf courses. That business soon grew into complete golf course renovations and the construction of new golf courses. The core fundamentals learned in those early years have allowed us to grow our business into what it is today.

The expertise developed over decades of successful irrigation installations allows Landscapes Unlimited to offer valuable insight into the design, installation, management and maintenance of all types of irrigation systems especially as it relates to renovation projects. Because we also own and manage golf courses, we understand the importance of being as invisible as possible during our work so as not to impact the normal operations and play on the golf course. At the end of the project we, like the client, don't want any evidence of us ever being on the course except to notice the beautiful quality turf as a result of a newly installed and very efficient irrigation system.

The Landscapes Unlimited irrigation teams and support staff are very knowledgeable with all the latest state-of-the-art products and technology meant to preserve our very precious water resources:

- Precision sprinklers and nozzles
- Satellite, decoder and wireless control systems
- Soil sensor monitoring and weather stations
- Variable frequency drive pump stations
- Long-lasting and durable HDPE piping systems



Irrigation Services

LU is one of the few golf course general contractors in the industry that has its own Irrigation Division who's very skilled and very experienced team-members focus solely on irrigation installations on existing courses and new construction courses. LU's irrigation capabilities are highly sought after by Irrigation Consultants and clients across the United States as well as outside the country. To maintain the high performance demanded in quality irrigation installations, LU invests heavily in continued education and training of its irrigation personnel in always striving to perfect their irrigation installation techniques. Like the construction team, the goal is the same for the irrigation team....to be the best in the business.



Sports Field and Recreational Space Development

Recreation/Field Services

Landscapes Unlimited has the resources to develop and construct athletic fields and sport complexes for all sports at every level of competition. With direct purchasing relationships from the turf manufacturers, in-house project management resources, extensive site preparation and drainage installation expertise with in-house resources, along with significant experience with synthetic turf and track installations these types of projects are well suited to our capabilities. We pride ourselves in delivering athletic venues that are aesthetically pleasing, functional and safe.



- Any sport (Football, softball, baseball, soccer, practice and professional fields)
- Natural and synthetic
- Splash parks
- Rock and waterscapes
- Pedestrian, biking and equestrian trails
- Parade grounds (natural and synthetic)
- Community parks and picnic grounds
- Large scale landscaping
- Turn-key services for restrooms, concession and site buildings ramadas, shade structures and comfort stations



Golf Management

Operations Management & Consulting

For over 30 years, Landscapes Unlimited has been providing golf course owners, private club boards, and financial institutions with solutions for golf course operations. Our ability to understand the customer's specific needs and challenges allows us to utilize our professional team and resources to deliver targeted solutions. Landscapes Management Company can provide valuable assistance to an owner in the start-up, development, ongoing operations or during a transition through a number of optional approaches including the following:

Total engagement of the Landscapes Unlimited management platform or those services chosen from our LU Select Program allows for the Club to receive services on only those areas that they chose includes:

- Accounting & Finance
- National Purchasing Programs
- Golf Operations
- Food & Beverage
- Human Resources
- Golf Course Maintenance & Agronomy
- Sales & Marketing
- Membership Development
-

Through our current portfolio of over 20 courses, we are privileged to enjoy the following components of our business:

- Handle over \$25 million in sales annually
- Welcome over 500,000 rounds of golf
- Run a profitable food and beverage operation at every facility
- Cater to over 1,500 members at our private facilities nationwide

Landscapes Unlimited has the experience and staff to operate and maintain any type of development project; including golf, sports, recreation, HOA responsibilities and overall amenity management.



Landscapes owned and/or managed facilities:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ArborLinks Golf Course, NE • Broadlands Golf Club, CO • Coldwater Golf Club, AZ • Glen Lakes Golf Course, AZ • Highland Park Golf Course, AL • Kearney Country Club, NE • Oceanside Golf Course, CA • Pacific Springs Golf Course, NE • The Players Club, NE • Renditions, MD • Sagamore Club, IN • Sutton Bay, SD | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ashland Golf Club, NE • Broadmoor Country Club, IN • Center City Golf Course, CA • Falcon Golf Club, AZ • Golf Club at Devils Tower, WY • Jeremy Golf & Country Club, UT • Manhattan Country Club, KS • Rockwall Golf & Athletic Club, TX • Shanqin Bay Golf Course, China • Worthington Manor, MD
(Partial Listing) |
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SAFETY

We Work Safe

LU's Safety Program is one of the most comprehensive in the industry.

Here is why:

The five categories of the safety program are Communication, Education, Reward and Recognition, Safety Inspections, and New Safety Initiatives. The five categories are derived from the company's Safety Program which was developed and based on Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) guidelines.

Communication is a critical tool utilized by the company to create a continuous awareness about safety among all employees. The company's internal newsletter is utilized monthly to deliver information to all employees with regard to safety and personal wellbeing. Field managers receive regular safety program updates as well as training materials and safety information via e-mail, intra-net, and web based meetings. Compliance reports are provided to senior field managers regularly (weekly, quarterly, and year end) to ensure they are aware of the status of their projects safety activities.

Education of employees is vital to ensure the highest safety standards are maintained throughout the company. All field managers participate annually in extensive safety training.



Tool Box Safety Talks are the cornerstone of the company's field safety training. Weekly, Project Superintendents are required to conduct a training session with all employees on subjects that are relevant to their job site activities.

Reward and Recognition is another critical component of the company's Safety Program. While appropriate reward and recognition is encouraged whenever merited, as an organization, formal recognition is provided to employees in June during National Safety Month.

Safety Inspections are conducted by corporate safety staff on a routine basis to ensure that employees are receiving required safety training, that the information is understood, and that it can be applied. Inspections are also conducted to ensure that job hazard analysis is performed as needed, safety supplies are available, safety policies are followed, and required OSHA postings are in place.



AWARD WINNING

The Nation's Leading Golf Development Company

LU has been fortunate to work on some of the finest golf courses in the world. Many of the courses that LU has constructed have won numerous awards. These include multiple postings in:

- Top 100 – United States
- America's 100 Greatest Public Golf Courses
- Golf Week's Annual Rankings
- Golf Digest's Annual Rankings
- Travel & Leisure's Annual Rankings
- Best New & Best in State
- Golf Industry Magazine Annual Awards
- Multiple other Industry Magazines and Ratings



Judges Comment

"This modern-day interpretation of a golden age classic excels in every way. Especially impressive is the way the canyon has been rebuilt for less intensive maintenance yet added strategic value to the golf holes it impacts."



Golf Industry Magazine Awards

- 2006 - Creative Award for best new construction
- 2007 - Heritage Award for the best reconstruction
- 2011 - Creative Award for best new construction

Shanqin Bay Golf Club, China

1st China Course ever to be on
Golf Magazines "Top 100"



LANDSCAPES
UNLIMITED

PROVIDING CUSTOMIZED SOLUTIONS FOR THE GOLF & RECREATION INDUSTRY

Golf Construction | Golf Renovation | Sports & Recreation | Project Development | Irrigation & Infrastructure

FELONY CONVICTION NOTICE

Statutory citation covering notification of criminal history of contractor is found in the Texas Education Code #44.034. Following is an example of a felony conviction notice:

State of Texas Legislative Senate Bill No. 1, Section 44.034, Notification of Criminal History, Subsection (a), states “a person or business entity that enters into a contract with a school district or ESC 8/TIPS must give advance notice to the district or ESC 8/TIPS 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.”

THIS NOTICE IS NOT REQUIRED OF A PUBLICLY-HELD CORPORATION

Complete only one of the three below: A or B or C.

I, the undersigned agent for the firm named below, certify that the information concerning notification of felony convictions has been reviewed by me and the following information furnished is true to the best of my knowledge.

Official: Roy Wilson
Print Authorized Company Official's Name

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

Signature of Authorized Company Official: _____

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

Signature of Authorized Company Official: Roy Wilson

C. My firm is owned or operated by the following individual(s) who has/have been convicted of a felony:

Name of Felon(s): _____

Details of Conviction(s): _____

Signature of Authorized Company Official: _____

CERTIFICATION BY CORPORATE OFFERER

IF OFFERER IS A CORPORATION,

THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATE SHOULD BE EXECUTED AND INCLUDED AS PART OF PROPOSAL FORM/PROPOSAL FORM.

OFFERER: _____
(Name of Corporation)

I, _____ certify that I am the Secretary of the Corporation
(Name of Corporate Secretary)

named as OFFERER herein above; that

(Name of person who completed proposal document)

who signed the foregoing proposal on behalf of the corporation offerer is the authorized person that is acting as

(Title/Position of person signing proposal/offer document within the corporation)

of the said Corporation; that said proposal/offer was duly signed for and in behalf of said corporation by authority of its governing body, and is within the scope of its corporate powers.

CORPORATE SEAL

SIGNATURE

DATE

Federal Requirements for Procurement and Contracting with small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms.

The Education Service Center Region 8 and TIPS anticipate possibly using federal funds for procurement under this potential award and is required to obtain the following compliance assurance.

1. Will you be subcontracting any of your work under this award if you are successful? (Circle one)

☒ YES or NO ☐

2. If yes, do you agree to comply with the following federal requirements? (Circle one)

☒ YES or NO ☐

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.

Company Name Landscapes Unlimited, LLC

Print name of authorized representative Roy Wilson

Signature of authorized representative 

Date March 14, 2017

FAILURE TO PROPERLY COMPLETE THIS FORM AND SUBMIT WITH YOUR RESPONSE MAY RESULT IN A WAIVER OF YOUR RIGHTS UNDER THE LAW TO MAINTAIN CONFIDENTIALITY TREATMENT OF SUBMITTED MATERIALS.

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT REQUESTS OF EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER REGION 8 AND TIPS IS GOVERNED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAPTER 552

If you consider any portion of your proposal to be confidential information and not subject to public disclosure pursuant to Chapter 552 Tex Gov't Code or other law(s), **you must make a copy of all claimed confidential materials within your proposal and put this COMPLETED form as a cover sheet to said materials then scan, name "CONFIDENTIAL" and upload with your proposal submission.** (You must include the confidential information in the submitted proposal as well, the copy uploaded is to indicate which material in your proposal, if any, you deem confidential in the event the District receives a Public Information Request.) Education Service Center Region 8 and TIPS will follow procedures of controlling statute(s) regarding any claim of confidentiality and shall not be liable for any release of information required by law. Pricing of solicited product or service may be deemed as public information under Chapter 552 Tex Gov't Code. The Office of Texas Attorney General shall make the final determination whether the information held by Education Service Center Region 8 and TIPS is confidential and exempt from public disclosure.

I DO NOT desire to expressly waive any claim of confidentiality as to any and all information contained within our response to the competitive procurement process (e.g. RFP, CSP, Bid, RFQ, etc.) by completing the following and submitting this sheet with our response to Education Service Center Region 8 and TIPS. The attached contains material from our proposal that I classify and deem confidential under Texas Gov't Code Sec. 552 or other law(s) and I invoke my statutory rights to confidential treatment of the enclosed materials:

Landscapes Unlimited, LLC

Name of company claiming confidential status of material

Roy Wilson, Assistant Manager

Printed Name, Title, and Signature of authorized company officer claiming confidential status of material

1201 Aries Drive	Lincoln	NE 68512	(402) 423-6653
Address	City	State ZIP	Phone

ATTACHED ARE COPIES OF 0 PAGES OF CONFIDENTIAL MATERIAL FROM OUR PROPOSAL

Express Waiver: I desire to expressly waive any claim of confidentiality as to any and all information contained within our response to the competitive procurement process (e.g. RFP, CSP, Bid, RFQ, etc.) by completing the following and submitting this sheet with our response to Education Service Center Region 8 and TIPS.

Name of company expressly waiving confidential status of material

Printed Name, Title, and Signature of authorized company officer expressly waiving confidential status of material

Address	City	State	ZIP	Phone
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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPOSER:

IF YOU WANT YOUR PROPOSAL TO BE CONSIDERED FOR USE BY TEXAS STATE
AGENCIES AND UNIVERSITIES AND SOME APPLICABLE LOCAL ENTITIES,

YOU MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING FORM

In accordance with Texas Gov't Code §2161.252, the contracting agency has determined that subcontracting opportunities are probable under this contract. Therefore, all respondents, including State of Texas certified Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) must complete and submit this State of Texas HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP) with their response to the bid requisition (solicitation).

ATTACHED BELOW IS THE OFFICIAL STATE OF TEXAS FORM



HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP)

QUICK CHECKLIST

While this HSP Quick Checklist is being provided to merely assist you in readily identifying the sections of the HSP form that you will need to complete, it is very important that you adhere to the instructions in the HSP form and instructions provided by the contracting agency.

- If you will be awarding all of the subcontracting work you have to offer under the contract to only Texas certified HUB vendors, complete:
 - ☐ Section 1 - Respondent and Requisition Information
 - ☐ Section 2 a. - Yes, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract
 - ☐ Section 2 b. - List all the portions of work you will subcontract, and indicate the percentage of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUB vendors
 - ☐ Section 2 c. - Yes
 - ☐ Section 4 - Affirmation
 - ☐ GFE Method A (Attachment A) - Complete an Attachment A for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in Section 2 b.
- If you will be subcontracting any portion of the contract to Texas certified HUB vendors and Non-HUB vendors, and the aggregate percentage of all the subcontracting work you will be awarding to the Texas certified HUB vendors with which you have a continuous contract in place for five (5) years or less meets or exceeds the HUB Goal the contracting agency identified in the "Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements", complete:
 - ☐ Section 1 - Respondent and Requisition Information
 - ☐ Section 2 a. - Yes, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract
 - ☐ Section 2 b. - List all the portions of work you will subcontract, and indicate the percentage of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUB vendors and Non-HUB vendors
 - ☐ Section 2 c. - No
 - ☐ Section 2 d. - Yes
 - ☐ Section 4 - Affirmation
 - ☐ GFE Method A (Attachment A) - Complete an Attachment A for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in Section 2 b.
- If you will be subcontracting any portion of the contract to Texas certified HUB vendors and Non-HUB vendors or only to Non-HUB vendors, and the aggregate percentage of all the subcontracting work you will be awarding to the Texas certified HUB vendors with which you have a continuous contract in place for five (5) years or less does not meet or exceed the HUB Goal the contracting agency identified in the "Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements", complete:
 - ☒ Section 1 - Respondent and Requisition Information
 - ☒ Section 2 a. - Yes, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract
 - ☒ Section 2 b. - List all the portions of work you will subcontract, and indicated the percentage of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUB vendors and Non-HUB vendors
 - ☐ Section 2 c. - No
 - ☐ Section 2 d. - No
 - ☒ Section 4 - Affirmation
 - ☐ GFE Method B (Attachment B) - Complete an Attachment B for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in Section 2 b.
- If you will not be subcontracting any portion of the contract and will be fulfilling the entire contract with your own resources, complete:
 - ☐ Section 1 - Respondent and Requisition Information
 - ☐ Section 2 a. - No, I will not be subcontracting any portion of the contract, and I will be fulfilling the entire contract with my own resources
 - ☐ Section 3 - Self Performing Justification
 - ☐ Section 4 - Affirmation

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HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP)

In accordance with Texas Gov't Code §2161.252, the contracting agency has determined that subcontracting opportunities are probable under this contract. Therefore, all respondents, including State of Texas certified Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) must complete and submit this State of Texas HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP) with their response to the bid requisition (solicitation).

NOTE: Responses that do not include a completed HSP shall be rejected pursuant to Texas Gov't Code §2161.252(b).

The HUB Program promotes equal business opportunities for economically disadvantaged persons to contract with the State of Texas in accordance with the goals specified in the 2009 State of Texas Disparity Study. The statewide HUB goals defined in 34 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §20.13 are:

- **11.2 percent for heavy construction other than building contracts,**
- **21.1 percent for all building construction, including general contractors and operative builders' contracts,**
- **32.9 percent for all special trade construction contracts,**
- **23.7 percent for professional services contracts,**
- **26.0 percent for all other services contracts, and**
- **21.1 percent for commodities contracts.**

- - Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements - -

In accordance with 34 TAC §20.14(d)(1)(D)(iii), a respondent (prime contractor) may demonstrate good faith effort to utilize Texas certified HUBs for its subcontracting opportunities if the total value of the respondent's subcontracts with Texas certified HUBs meets or exceeds the statewide HUB goal or the agency specific HUB goal, whichever is higher. When a respondent uses this method to demonstrate good faith effort, the respondent must identify the HUBs with which it will subcontract. If using existing contracts with Texas certified HUBs to satisfy this requirement, only contracts that have been in place for five years or less shall qualify for meeting the HUB goal. This limitation is designed to encourage vendor rotation as recommended by the 2009 Texas Disparity Study.

SECTION-1: RESPONDENT AND REQUISITION INFORM

- a. Respondent (Company) Name: Landscapes Unlimited, LLC State of Texas VID #: _____
Point of Contact: Jeff Cordes Phone #: 402-416-7117
E-mail Address: jcordes@landscapesunlimited.com Fax #: 402-423-4487
- b. Is your company a State of Texas certified HUB? ☐ - Yes ☒ - No
- c. Requisition #: _____ Bid Open Date: _____

(mm/dd/yyyy)

Enter your company's name here: Landscapes Unlimited, LLC

Requisition #: _____

SECTION-2: SUBCONTRACTING INTENTIONS RESPONDENT

After dividing the contract work into reasonable lots or portions to the extent consistent with prudent industry practices, and taking into consideration the scope of work to be performed under the proposed contract, including all potential subcontracting opportunities, the respondent must determine what portions of work, including goods and services, will be subcontracted. Note: In accordance with 34 TAC §20.11., an "Subcontractor" means a person who contracts with a prime contractor to work, to supply commodities, or to contribute toward completing work for a governmental entity.

a. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that identifies your subcontracting intentions:

- ☒ - **Yes**, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract. (If **Yes**, complete Item b, of this SECTION and continue to Item c of this SECTION.)
☐ - **No**, I will not be subcontracting any portion of the contract, and I will be fulfilling the entire contract with my own resources. (If **No**, continue to SECTION 3 and SECTION 4.)

b. List all the portions of work (subcontracting opportunities) you will subcontract. Also, based on the total value of the contract, identify the percentages of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUBs, and the percentage of the contract you expect to award to vendors that are not a Texas certified HUB (i.e., Non-HUB).

Item #	Subcontracting Opportunity Description	HUBs		Non-HUBs
		Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you have a <u>continuous contract*</u> in place for <u>five (5) years or less</u> .	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you have a <u>continuous contract*</u> in place for <u>more than five (5) years</u> .	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to non-HUBs.
1	Surfacing ~ Synthetic Turf	0 %	0 %	30 %
2	Surfacing ~ Court	0 %	0 %	50 %
3	Surfacing ~ Track	0 %	0 %	50 %
4	Paving	0 %	0 %	25 %
5	Utilities	0 %	0 %	10 %
6	Exterior Improvements	0 %	0 %	20 %
7		%	%	%
8		%	%	%
9		%	%	%
10		%	%	%
11		%	%	%
12		%	%	%
13		%	%	%
14		%	%	%
15		%	%	%
Aggregate percentages of the contract expected to be subcontracted:		%	%	%

(Note: If you have more than fifteen subcontracting opportunities, a continuation sheet is available online at <http://window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-subcontracting-plan/>.)

c. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether you will be using **only** Texas certified HUBs to perform **all** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.

- ☐ - **Yes** (If **Yes**, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)
☐ - **No** (If **No**, continue to Item d, of this SECTION.)

d. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether the aggregate expected percentage of the contract you will subcontract **with Texas certified** HUBs with which you have a continuous contract* in place with for five (5) years or less **meets or exceeds** the HUB goal the contracting agency identified on page 1 in the "**Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements**".

- ☐ - **Yes** (If **Yes**, continue to SECTION 4 **and** complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)
☐ - **No** (If **No**, continue to SECTION 4 **and** complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)

***Continuous Contract:** Any existing written agreement (including any renewals that are exercised) between a prime contractor and a HUB vendor, where the HUB vendor provides the prime contractor with goods or service under the same contract for a specified period of time. The frequency the HUB vendor is utilized or paid during the term of the contract is not relevant to whether the contract is considered continuous. Two or more contracts that run concurrently or overlap one another for different periods of time are considered by CPA to be individual contracts rather than renewals or extensions to the original contract. In such situations the prime contractor and HUB vendor are entering (have entered) into "new" contracts.

Enter your company's name here: Landscapes Unlimited, LLC

Requisition #: _____

SECTION-2 SUBCONTRACTING INTENTIONS RESPONDENT (CONTINUATION SHEET)

- a. This page can be used as a continuation sheet to the HSP Form's page 2, Section 2, Item b. Continue listing the portions of work (subcontracting opportunities) you will subcontract. Also, based on the total value of the contract, identify the percentages of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUBs, and the percentage of the contract you expect to award to vendors that are not a Texas certified HUB (i.e., Non-HUB).

Item #	Subcontracting Opportunity Description	HUBs		Non-HUBs
		Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you have a <u>continuous contract*</u> in place for <u>five (5) years or less</u> .	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you have a <u>continuous contract*</u> in place for <u>more than five (5) years</u> .	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to non-HUBs.
16		%	%	%
17		%	%	%
18		%	%	%
19		%	%	%
20		%	%	%
21		%	%	%
22		%	%	%
23		%	%	%
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34		%	%	%
35		%	%	%
36		%	%	%
37		%	%	%
38		%	%	%
39		%	%	%
40		%	%	%
41		%	%	%
42		%	%	%
43		%	%	%
Aggregate percentages of the contract expected to be subcontracted:		%	%	%

***Continuous Contract:** Any existing written agreement (including any renewals that are exercised) between a prime contractor and a HUB vendor, where the HUB vendor provides the prime contractor with goods or service under the same contract for a specified period of time. The frequency the HUB vendor is utilized or paid during the term of the contract is not relevant to whether the contract is considered continuous. Two or more contracts that run concurrently or overlap one another for different periods of time are considered by CPA to be individual contracts rather than renewals or extensions to the original contract. In such situations the prime contractor and HUB vendor are entering (have entered) into "new" contracts.

Enter your company's name here: Landscapes Unlimited, LLC Requisition #: _____

SECTION-3: SELF PERFORMING JUSTIFICATION (If you responded "No" to SECTION 2, Item a, you must complete this SECTION and continue to SECTION 4)


Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether your response/proposal contains an explanation demonstrating how your company will fulfill the entire contract with its own resources.

- ☐ - **Yes** (If **Yes**, in the space provided below **list the specific page(s)/section(s)** of your proposal which explains how your company will perform the entire contract with its own equipment, supplies, materials and/or employees.)
- ☐ - **No** (If **No**, in the space provided below **explain how** your company will perform the entire contract with its own equipment, supplies, materials and/or employees.)

SECTION-4: AFFIRMATION

As evidenced by my signature below, I affirm that I am an authorized representative of the respondent listed in SECTION 1, and that the information and supporting documentation submitted with the HSP is true and correct. Respondent understands and agrees that, if awarded any portion of the requisition:

- The respondent will provide notice as soon as practical to all the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor for the awarded contract. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity they (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarded.
- The respondent must submit monthly compliance reports (Prime Contractor Progress Assessment Report – PAR) to the contracting agency, verifying its compliance with the HSP, including the use of and expenditures made to its subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs). (The PAR is available at <http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-forms/progressassessmentrpt.xls>).
- The respondent must seek approval from the contracting agency prior to making any modifications to its HSP, including the hiring of additional or different subcontractors and the termination of a subcontractor the respondent identified in its HSP. If the HSP is modified without the contracting agency's prior approval, respondent may be subject to any and all enforcement remedies available under the contract or otherwise available by law, up to and including debarment from all state contracting.
- The respondent must, upon request, allow the contracting agency to perform on-site reviews of the company's headquarters and/or work-site where services are being performed and must provide documentation regarding staffing and other resources.



Signature

Roy Wilson

Printed Name

Assistant Manager

Title

3-14-17

Date
(mm/dd/yyyy)

Reminder:

- If you responded "**Yes**" to **SECTION 2, Items c or d**, you must complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.
- If you responded "**No**" **SECTION 2, Items c and d**, you must complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.

IMPORTANT: If you responded “**Yes**” to **SECTION 2, Items c or d** of the completed HSP form, you must submit a completed “HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)” for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in **SECTION 2, Item b** of the completed HSP form. You may photo-copy this page or download the form at <http://window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-forms/hub-sbcont-plan-qfe-achm-a.pdf>.

Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION 2, Item b, of the completed HSP form for which you are completing the attachment.

List the subcontractor(s) you selected to perform the subcontracting opportunity you listed above in SECTION A-1. Also identify whether they are a Texas certified HUB and their VID number, the approximate dollar value of the work to be subcontracted, the expected percentage of work to be subcontracted, and indicate whether the company is a Texas certified HUB

REMINDER: As specified in SECTION 4 of the completed HSP form, if you (respondent) are awarded any portion of the requisition, you are required to provide notice as soon as practical to **all** the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity they (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarded.

HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)

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IMPORTANT: If you responded "Yes" to SECTION 2, Items c or d of the completed HSP form, you must submit a completed "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b of the completed HSP form. You may photo-copy this page or download the form at <http://window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-forms/hub-sbcont-plan-gfe-achm-b.pdf>.

SECTION B-1: SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY

Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION 2, Item b, of the completed HSP form for which you are completing the attachment.

Item Number: _____ Description: _____

SECTION B-2: MENTOR PROTÉGÉ PROGRAM

If respondent is participating as a Mentor in a State of Texas Mentor Protégé Program, submitting its Protégé (Protégé must be a State of Texas certified HUB) as a subcontractor to perform the subcontracting opportunity listed in SECTION B-1, constitutes a good faith effort to subcontract with a Texas certified HUB towards that specific portion of work.

Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether you will be subcontracting the portion of work you listed in SECTION B-1 to your Protégé.

☐ - Yes (If **Yes**, to continue to SECTION B-4.)

☐ - No / Not Applicable (If **No** or **Not Applicable**, continue to SECTION B-3 and SECTION B-4.)

SECTION B-3: NOTIFICATION OF SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY

When completing this section you **MUST** comply with items **a, b, c and d**, thereby demonstrating your Good Faith Effort of having notified Texas certified HUBs and trade organizations or development centers about the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Your notice should include the scope of work, information regarding the location to review plans and specifications, bonding and insurance requirements, required qualifications, and identify a contact person. When sending notice of your subcontracting opportunity, you are encouraged to use the attached HUB Subcontracting Opportunity Notice form, which is also available online at <http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-subcontracting-plan>.

Retain supporting documentation (i.e., certified letter, fax, e-mail) demonstrating evidence of your good faith effort to notify the Texas certified HUBs and trade organizations or development centers. Also, be mindful that a working day is considered a normal business day of a state agency, not including weekends, federal or state holidays, or days the agency is declared closed by its executive officer. The initial day the subcontracting opportunity notice is sent/provided to the HUBs and to the trade organizations or development centers is considered to be "day zero" and does not count as one of the seven (7) working days.

- a. Provide written notification of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1, to three (3) or more Texas certified HUBs. Unless the contracting agency specified a different time period, you must allow the HUBs at least seven (7) working days to respond to the notice prior to your submitting your bid response to the contracting agency. When searching for Texas certified HUBs, ensure that you use the State of Texas' Centralized Master Bidders List (CMBL) and Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Search directory located at <http://mycpa.state.tx.us/tpasscmbsearch/index.jsp>. HUB Status code "A" signifies that the company is a Texas certified HUB.
- b. List the three (3) Texas certified HUBs you notified regarding the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Include the company's Vendor ID (VID) number, the date you sent notice to that company, and indicate whether it was responsive or non-responsive to your subcontracting opportunity notice.

Company Name	VID Number	Date Notice Sent (mm/dd/yyyy)	Did the HUB Respond?
			<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No
			<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No
			<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No

- c. Provide written notification of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1 to two (2) or more trade organizations or development centers in Texas to assist in identifying potential HUBs by disseminating the subcontracting opportunity to their members/participants. Unless the contracting agency specified a different time period, you must provide your subcontracting opportunity notice to trade organizations or development centers at least seven (7) working days prior to submitting your bid response to the contracting agency. A list of trade organizations and development centers that have expressed an interest in receiving notices of subcontracting opportunities is available on the Statewide HUB Program's webpage at <http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/mwb-links-1/>.

- d. List two (2) trade organizations or development centers you notified regarding the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Include the date when you sent notice to it and indicate if it accepted or rejected your notice.

Trade Organizations or Development Centers	Date Notice Sent (mm/dd/yyyy)	Was the Notice Accepted?
		<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No
		<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No

HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B) Cont.

Enter your company's name here: Landscapes Unlimited, LLC Requisition #: _____

SECTION B-4: SUBCONTRACTOR SELECTION

Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION 2, Item b, of the completed HSP form for which you are completing the attachment.

- a. Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity for which you are completing this Attachment B continuation page.

Item Number: _____ Description: _____

- b. List the subcontractor(s) you selected to perform the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Also identify whether they are a Texas certified HUB and their VID number, the approximate dollar value of the work to be subcontracted, the expected percentage of work to be subcontracted, and indicate whether the company is a Texas certified HUB.

Company Name	Texas certified HUB	VID Number (Required if Texas certified HUB)	Approximate Dollar Amount	Expected Percentage of Contract
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%

- c. If any of the subcontractors you have selected to perform the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1 is not a Texas certified HUB, provide written justification for your selection process (attach additional page if necessary):

REMINDER: As specified in SECTION 4 of the completed HSP form, if you (respondent) are awarded any portion of the requisition, you are required to provide notice as soon as practical to all the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity it (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarded.



We respectfully request that vendors interested in bidding on the subcontracting opportunity scope of work identified in Section C, Item 2, reply no later than the date and time identified in Section C, Item 1. Submit your response to the point-of-contact referenced in Section A.

Company Name: _____

Point-of-Contact: _____

E-mail Address: _____

State of Texas VID #: _____
Phone #: _____
Fax #: _____

Agency Name: _____

Point-of-Contact: _____ Phone #: _____

Requisition #: _____ Bid Open Date: _____
(mm/dd/yyyy)

If you would like for our company to consider your company's bid for the subcontracting opportunity identified below in Item 2,
we must receive your bid response no later than Select on .

Central Time

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

(A working day is considered a normal business day of a state agency, not including weekends, federal or state holidays, or days the agency is declared closed by its executive officer. The initial day the subcontracting opportunity notice is sent/provided to the HUBs and to the trade organizations or development centers is considered to be "day zero" and does not count as one of the seven (7) working days.)

3. Required Qualifications: ☐ - Not Applicable

4. Bonding/Insurance Requirements: ☐ - Not Applicable

5. Location to review plans/specifications: ☐ - Not Applicable

Bob Cirone



Jim King

Member  National Association of Surety Bond Producers

March 15, 2017

The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS)
4845 US Hwy 271 North
Pittsburg, TX 75686

RE: Landscapes Unlimited LLC

To Whom It May Concern:

Gene Lilly Surety Bonds Inc. is pleased to have this opportunity to write a letter of recommendation on behalf of our valued client since 2001, Landscapes Unlimited LLC. Our surety, Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual) would consider single jobs to \$25,000,000 with an aggregate of \$50,000,000.

Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual) has an A M Best rating of "A VIII" and is on the current Circular 570, Department of the Treasury's Approved Sureties.

The execution of any specific bond is subject to our normal underwriting at time of request and review of contract documents. We think very highly of the principal and the entire organization and appreciate your consideration.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or if I could be of further assistance.

Best Regards,

GENE LILLY SURETY BONDS, INC.



James M. King
Attorney-in-Fact

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MERCHANTS
BONDING COMPANY™
POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know All Persons By These Presents, that MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC., both being corporations of the State of Iowa (herein collectively called the "Companies") do hereby make, constitute and appoint, individually,

Jacob J Buss; James M King; Robert T Cirone; Suzanne P Westerholt; Thomas L King

their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, to make, execute, seal and deliver on behalf of the Companies, as Surety, bonds, undertakings and other written obligations in the nature thereof, subject to the limitation that any such instrument shall not exceed the amount of:

FIFTY MILLION (\$50,000,000.00) DOLLARS

This Power-of-Attorney is granted and is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by authority of the following By-Laws adopted by the Board of Directors of Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual) on April 23, 2011 and adopted by the Board of Directors of Merchants National Bonding, Inc., on October 24, 2011.

"The President, Secretary, Treasurer, or any Assistant Treasurer or any Assistant Secretary or any Vice President shall have power and authority to appoint Attorneys-in-Fact, and to authorize them to execute on behalf of the Company, and attach the seal of the Company thereto, bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof."

"The signature of any authorized officer and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile or electronic transmission to any Power of Attorney or Certification thereof authorizing the execution and delivery of any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or other suretyship obligations of the Company, and such signature and seal when so used shall have the same force and effect as though manually fixed."


In connection with obligations in favor of the Florida Department of Transportation only, it is agreed that the power and authority hereby given to the Attorney-in-Fact includes any and all consents for the release of retained percentages and/or final estimates on engineering and construction contracts required by the State of Florida Department of Transportation. It is fully understood that consenting to the State of Florida Department of Transportation making payment of the final estimate to the Contractor and/or its assignee, shall not relieve this surety company of any of its obligations under its bond.

In connection with obligations in favor of the Kentucky Department of Highways only, it is agreed that the power and authority hereby given to the Attorney-in-Fact cannot be modified or revoked unless prior written personal notice of such intent has been given to the Commissioner-Department of Highways of the Commonwealth of Kentucky at least thirty (30) days prior to the modification or revocation.

In Witness Whereof, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed and sealed this 20th day of July, 2015.



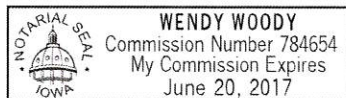
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MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC.

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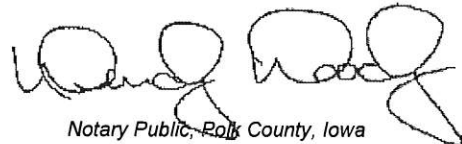
President

STATE OF IOWA
COUNTY OF Polk ss.

On this 20th day of July, 2015, before me appeared Larry Taylor, to me personally known, who being by me sworn did say that he is President of the MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC.; and that the seals affixed to the foregoing instrument are the Corporate seals of the Companies; and that the said instrument was signed and sealed in behalf of the Companies by authority of their respective Boards of Directors.



(Expiration of notary's commission
does not invalidate this instrument)


Notary Public, Polk County, Iowa

I, William Warner, Jr., Secretary of the MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC., do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the POWER-OF-ATTORNEY executed by said Companies, which is still in full force and effect and has not been amended or revoked.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Companies on this 15th day of March, 2017.




Secretary