#### TIPS VENDOR AGREEMENT (Part 2)

#### TIPS RCSP 230104 Trades, Labor, and Materials (Part 2)

The following Vendor Agreement ("Agreement") creates a legal agreement between The Interlocal Purchasing System ("TIPS"), a government purchasing cooperative and Department of Texas Region 8 Education Service Center and (INSERT ENTITY NAME):

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#### (ENTER ENTITY NAME]

its owners, agents, subsidiaries, and affiliates (together, "Vendor") (individually, "Party", and collectively the "Parties") and this agreement shall exclusively govern the contractual relationship ("Agreement") between the Parties for Part 2 of the related solicitation opportunity. If Vendor proposes and awarded on Part 1, a separate Part 1 Vendor Agreement shall control Part 1 terms.

TIPS, a governmental entity and a national purchasing cooperative seeks to provide a valuable and necessary solution to public entities and qualifying non-profits by performing the public procurement solicitation process and awarding compliant contracts to qualified vendors. Then, where the law of a customer's jurisdiction allows, instead of public entities and qualifying non-profits expending time, money, and resources on the extensive public procurement process, the use of TIPS allows public entities to quickly select and purchase their preferred products or services from qualified, competitively evaluated vendors through cooperative purchasing.

- 1. Purpose. The purpose of this Agreement is to identify the terms and conditions of the relationship between TIPS and Vendor. Public entities and qualifying non-profits that properly join or utilize TIPS "(TIPS Members") may elect to "piggyback" off of TIPS' procurements and agreements where the laws of their jurisdiction allow. TIPS Members are not contractual parties to this Agreement although terms and conditions of this Agreement may ensure benefits to TIPS Members.
- 2. Authority. The Parties agree that the signatories below are individual authorized to enter into this Agreement on behalf of their entity and that they are acting under due and proper authority under applicable law.
- 3. Definitions.
  - a. **TIPS Pricing:** The specific pricing, coefficients, mark-ups, discounts, and other pricing terms and incentives which Vendor submitted and TIPS approved for each respective TIPS Contract awarded to Vendor and all permissible, subsequent pricing updates submitted by Vendor and accepted by TIPS, if any.
- 4. Entire Agreement. This Agreement resulted from TIPS posting a Part 2 "TIPS Solicitation" (RFP, RCSP, RFQ, or other) and Vendor submitting a proposal in response to that posted TIPS Solicitation for evaluation and award. The Parties agree that this Agreement consists of the provisions set forth herein and: (1) The Part 2 TIPS solicitation document resulting in this Agreement; (2) Any Part 2 addenda or clarifications issued in relation to the TIPS solicitation; (3) All Part 2 solicitation information provided to Vendor by TIPS through the TIPS eBid System; (3) Vendor's entire Part 2 proposal response to the TIPS solicitation including all accepted required attachments, acknowledged notices and certifications, accepted negotiated terms, pricing, accepted responses to questions, and accepted written clarifications of Vendor's proposal, and; any properly included attachments to this Agreement. All documentation and information listed is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth herein verbatim. In the event of conflict between the terms herein and one of the incorporated documents the terms and conditions herein shall control.
- 5. Vendor's Specific Warranties, Terms, and License Agreements. Because TIPS serves public entities and non-profits throughout the nation all of which are subject to specific laws and policies of their jurisdiction, as a matter of standard practice, TIPS does not typically accept a Vendor's specific "Sale Terms" (warranties, license agreements, master agreements, terms and conditions, etc.) on behalf of all TIPS Members. TIPS may permit Vendor to attach those to this Agreement to display to interested customers what terms may apply to their Supplemental Agreement with Vendor (if submitted by Vendor for that purpose). However, unless this term of the Agreement is negotiated and modified to state otherwise, those specific Sale Terms are not accepted by TIPS on behalf of all TIPS Members and each Member may choose whether to accept, negotiate, or reject those specific Sale Terms, which must be reflected in a separate agreement between Vendor and the Member in order to be effective.
- 6. Vendor Identity and Contact Information. It is Vendor's sole responsibility to ensure that all identifying vendor information (name, EIN, d/b/a's, etc.) and contact information is updated and current at all times within the TIPS eBid System and the TIPS Vendor Portal. It is Vendor's sole responsibility to confirm that all e-correspondence issued from tips-usa.com, ionwave.net, and tipsconstruction.com to Vendor's contacts are received and are not blocked by firewall or other technology security. Failure to permit receipt of correspondence from these domains and failure to keep vendor identity and contact information current at all times during the life of

the contract may cause loss of TIPS Sales, accumulating TIPS fees, missed rebid opportunities, lapse of TIPS Contract(s), and unnecessary collection or legal actions against Vendor. It is no defense to any of the foregoing or any breach of this Agreement that Vendor was not receiving TIPS' electronic communications issued by TIPS to Vendor's listed contacts.

- 7. Initiation of TIPS Sales. When a public entity initiates a purchase with Vendor, if the Member inquires verbally or in writing whether Vendor holds a TIPS Contract, it is the duty of the Vendor to verify whether the Member is seeking a TIPS purchase. Once verified, Vendor must include the TIPS Contract Number on all purchase communications and sales documents exchanged with the TIPS Member.
- 8. TIPS Sales and Supplemental Agreements. If awarded, when making a sale under this awarded contract, the terms of the specific TIPS order, including but not limited to: shipping, freight, insurance, delivery, fees, bonding, cost, delivery expectations and location, returns, refunds, terms, conditions, cancellations, defects, order assistance, etc., shall be controlled by the purchase agreement (Purchase Order, Contract, AIA Contract, Invoice, etc.) ("Supplemental Agreement" as used herein) entered into between the TIPS Member Customer and Vendor only. TIPS is not a party to any Supplemental Agreement. All Supplemental Agreements shall include Vendor's Name, as known to TIPS, and TIPS Contract Name and Number. Vendor accepts and understands that TIPS is not a legal party to TIPS Sales and Vendor is solely responsible for identifying fraud, mistakes, unacceptable terms, or misrepresentations for the specific order prior to accepting. Vendor agrees that any order issued from a customer to Vendor, even when processed through TIPS, constitutes a legal contract between the customer and Vendor only. When Vendor accepts or fulfills an order, even when processed through TIPS, Vendor is representing that Vendor has carefully reviewed the order for legality, authenticity, and accuracy and TIPS shall not be liable or responsible for the same. In the event of a conflict between the terms of this TIPS Vendor Agreement and those contained in any Supplemental Agreement, the provisions set forth herein shall control unless otherwise agreed to and authorized by the Parties in writing within the Supplemental Agreement. The Supplemental Agreement shall dictate the scope of services, the project delivery expectations, the scheduling of projects and milestones, the support requirements, and all other terms applicable to the specific sale(s) between the Vendor and the TIPS Member.
- 9. **Right of Refusal.** Vendor has the right not to sell to a TIPS Member under the awarded agreement at Vendor's discretion unless otherwise required by law.
- 10. Reporting TIPS Sales. If awarded on this TIPS Contract, for the duration of the contract, Vendor shall provide a RS Means or Xactimate line-item estimates to TIPS for each anticipated TIPS project or sale. When a TIPS Member Customer seeks a quote or proposal for a TIPS sale, Vendor shall always supply a line-item estimate to TIPS for review and approval. If awarded, Vendor must report all TIPS Sales to TIPS. If a TIPS sale is initiated by Vendor receiving a TIPS Member's purchase order from TIPS directly, Vendor may consider that specific TIPS Sale reported. Otherwise, with the exception of TIPS Automated Vendors, who have signed an exclusive agreement with TIPS regarding reporting, all TIPS Sales must be reported to TIPS by either: (1) Emailing the line item quote and purchase order or similar purchase document (with Vendor's Name, as known to TIPS, the TIPS Contract Name and Number included, and authorized signatures on behalf of both the TIPS Member and Vendor) to TIPS at <a href="tipspo@tips-usa.com">tipspo@tips-usa.com</a> with "Confirmation Only" in the subject line of the email within three business days of Vendor's acceptance of the order, or; (2) Within 3 business days of the order being accepted by Vendor, Vendor must login to the TIPS Vendor Portal and successfully self-report all necessary sale information within the Vendor Portal and confirm that it shows up accurately on your current Vendor Portal statement. No other method of reporting is acceptable unless agreed to by the Parties in writing. Failure to report all sales pursuant to this provision may result in immediate cancellation of Vendor's TIPS Contract(s) for cause at TIPS' sole discretion. Please refer to the TIPS <a href="mailto:accounting-FAQ's">Accounting FAQ's</a> for more information about reporting sales and if you have further questions, contact the Accounting Team at <a href="mailto:accounting-FAQ's">accounting Team</a> accounting @tips-usa.com.
- 11. TIPS Administration Fees. The collection of administrative fees by TIPS, a government entity, for performance of these procurement services is required pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 791.011 et. seq. The administration fee ("TIPS Administration Fee") is the amount legally owed by Vendor to TIPS for TIPS Sales made by Vendor. The TIPS Administration Fee amount is typically a set percentage of the amount paid by the TIPS Member for each TIPS Sale, less shipping cost, bond cost, and taxes if applicable and identifiable, which is legally due to TIPS, but the exact TIPS Administration Fee for this Contract is published in the corresponding solicitation and is incorporated herein by reference. TIPS Administration Fee is assessed on the amount paid by the TIPS Member, not on the Vendor's cost or on the amount for which the Vendor sold the item to a dealer or Authorized Reseller. Upon receipt of payment for a TIPS Sale, including partial payment (which renders TIPS Administration Fees immediately due), Vendor shall issue to TIPS the corresponding TIPS Administration Fee payment as soon as possible but not later than thirty-one calendar days following Vendor's receipt of payment. Vendor shall pay TIPS via check unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties in writing. Vendor shall include clear documentation with the issued payment dictating to which sale(s) the amount should be applied. Vendor may create a payment report within their TIPS Vendor Portal which is the preferred documentation dictating to which TIPS Sale(s) the amount should be applied. Failure to pay all TIPS Administration Fees pursuant to this provision may result in immediate cancellation of Vendor's TIPS Contract(s) for cause at TIPS' sole discretion as well as the initiation of collection and legal actions by TIPS against

Vendor to the extent permitted by law. Any overpayment of participation fees to TIPS by Vendor will be refunded to the Vendor within ninety (90) days of receipt of notification if TIPS receives written notification of the overpayment not later than the expiration of six (6) months from the date of overpayment and TIPS determines that the amount was not legally due to TIPS pursuant to this agreement and applicable law. Any notification of overpayment received by TIPS after the expiration of six (6) months from the date that TIPS received the payment will render the overpayment non-refundable. Region 8 ESC and TIPS reserve the right to extend the six (6) month deadline if approved by the Region 8 ESC Board of Directors. TIPS reserves all rights under the law to collect TIPS Administration Fees due to TIPS pursuant to this Agreement.

12. Term of the Agreement. If awarded, the resulting Agreement with TIPS is for approximately two years with an option for renewal for an additional three consecutive one-year terms. The three consecutive one-year renewals shall renew automatically annually, unless either Party notifies the other of its objection to a renewal. TIPS reserves the right to object to and refuse any or all of the three consecutive one-year renewals.

**Actual Effective Date:** Agreement is effective upon signature by authorized representatives of both Parties. The Effective Date does not affect the "Term Calculation Start Date."

**Term Calculation Start Date:** To keep the contract term consistent for all vendors awarded under a single TIPS contract, Vendor shall calculate the foregoing term as starting on the last day of the month that "Award Notifications" are anticipated as published in the Solicitation, regardless of the actual Effective Date.

**Example of Term Calculation Start Date**: If the anticipated "Award Date" published in the Solicitation is May 22, 2023, but extended negotiations delay award until June 27, 2023 (Actual Effective Date), the Term Calculation Start Date shall be May 31, 2023 in this example.

**Contract Expiration Date:** To keep the contract term consistent for all vendors awarded under a single TIPS contract, the term expiration date shall be two-years from the Term Calculation Start Date.

**Example of Contract Expiration Date:** If the anticipated "Award Date" published in the Solicitation is May 22, 2023, but extended negotiations delay award until June 27, 2023 (Actual Effective Date), the Term Calculation Start Date shall be May 31, 2023 and the Contract Expiration Date of the resulting initial "two-year" term, (which is subject to an extension(s)) will be May 31, 2025 in this example.

**Option(s) for Renewal:** Any option(s) for renewal shall begin on the Contract Expiration Date, or the date of the expiration of the prior renewal term where applicable, and continue for the duration specified for the renewal option herein.

**Example of Option(s) for Renewal:** In this example, if TIPS offers the first one-year renewal and the Contract Expiration Date is May 31, 2025, then the one-year renewal is effective from May 31, 2025 to May 31, 2026.

TIPS may offer to extend Vendor Agreements to the fullest extent the TIPS Solicitation resulting in this Agreement permits.

- 13. TIPS Pricing. Vendor agrees and understands that for each TIPS Contract that it is awarded, Vendor submitted, agreed to, and received TIPS' approval for pricing, coefficients, mark-ups, discounts, and other pricing terms and incentives which make up Vendor's TIPS Pricing for that TIPS Contract ("TIPS Pricing"). Vendor confirms that Vendor will not add the TIPS Administration Fee as a charge or line-item in a TIPS Sale. Vendor hereby certifies that Vendor shall only offer goods and services through this TIPS Contract if those goods and services fall within the scope of the TIPS Contract and are priced according to Vendor's TIPS Pricing. TIPS reserves the right to review Vendor's proposals and quotes line-item by line-item to determine compliance. However, Vendor contractually agrees that all TIPS quotes and proposals shall be within the original terms of the Vendor's TIPS Pricing (scope, coefficients, percentage markups, and other pricing terms and incentives originally proposed by Vendor) such that TIPS may approve Vendor's quotes and proposals without additional vetting at TIPS discretion.
- 14. Indemnification of TIPS. VENDOR AGREES TO INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS, AND DEFEND TIPS, TIPS MEMBERS, TIPS OFFICERS, TIPS EMPLOYEES, TIPS DIRECTORS, AND TIPS TRUSTEES (THE "TIPS INDEMNITEES") FROM AND AGAINST ALL CLAIMS AND SUITS BY THIRD-PARTIES FOR DAMAGES, INJURIES TO PERSONS (INCLUDING DEATH), PROPERTY DAMAGES, LOSSES, EXPENSES, FEES, INCLUDING COURT COSTS, ATTORNEY'S FEES, AND EXPERT FEES, ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO VENDOR'S PERFORMANCE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT (INCLUDING THE PERFORMANCE OF VENDOR'S OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, AUTHORIZED RESELLERS, SUBCONTRACTORS, LICENSEES, OR INVITEES), REGARDLESS OF THE NATURE OF THE CAUSE OF ACTION, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION CAUSES OF ACTION BASED UPON COMMON, CONSTITUTIONAL, OR STATUTORY LAW OR BASED IN WHOLE OR IN PART UPON ALLEGATIONS OF NEGLIGENT OR INTENTIONAL ACTS OR OMISSIONS ON THE PART OF VENDOR, ITS OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, AUTHORIZED RESELLERS, SUBCONTRACTORS, LICENSEES, OR INVITEES. NO LIMITATION OF

LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES FOR PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE ARE PERMITTED OR AGREED TO BY TIPS. Apart from this indemnification provision requiring indemnification of the TIPS Indemnitees' attorney's fees as set forth above, recovery of attorneys' fees by the prevailing party is authorized only if authorized by Tex. Educ. Code § 44.032(f).

- 15. Indemnification and Assumption of Risk Vendor Data. Vendor Agrees that it is voluntarily providing data (including but not limited to: Vendor information, Vendor documentation, Vendor's proposals, Vendor pricing submitted or provided to TIPS, TIPS contract documents, TIPS correspondence, Vendor logos and images, Vendor's contact information, Vendor's brochures and commercial information, Vendor's financial information, Vendor's certifications, and any other Vendor information or documentation, including without limitation software and source code utilized by Vendor, submitted to TIPS by Vendor and its agents) ("Vendor Data") to TIPS. For the sake of clarity, and without limiting the breadth of the indemnity obligations in Section 13 above, Vendor agrees to protect, indemnify, and hold the TIPS Indemnitees harmless from and against any and all losses, claims, actions, demands, allegations, suits, judgments, costs, expenses, fees, including court costs, attorney's fees, and expert fees and all other liability of any nature whatsoever arising out of or relating to: (i) Any unauthorized, negligent or wrongful use of, or cyber data breach incident and viruses or other corrupting agents involving, Vendor's Data, pricing, and information, computers, or other hardware or software systems, and; (ii) allegations or claims that any Vendor Data infringes on the intellectual property rights of a third-party or Vendor.
- 16. Intellectual Property Indemnification by Vendor. Procedures Related to Indemnification. In the event that an indemnity obligation arises, Vendor shall pay all amounts set forth in Section 13 and 14 above (including any settlements) and if it has accepted its indemnity obligation without qualification control the legal defense to such claim or cause of action, including without limitation attorney selection, strategy, discovery, trial, appeal, and settlement, and TIPS shall, at Vendor's cost and expense (with respect to reasonable out of pocket costs and expenses incurred by TIPS which shall be reimbursed to TIPS by Vendor), provide all commercially reasonable assistance requested by Vendor. In controlling any defense, Vendor shall ensure that all assertions of governmental immunity and all applicable pleas and defenses shall be promptly asserted.
- 17. Indemnity for Underlying Sales and Supplemental Agreements. Vendor shall be solely responsible for any customer claims or any disputes arising out of TIPS Sales or any Supplemental Agreement as if sold in the open-market. The Parties agree that TIPS shall not be liable for any claims arising out of Vendor's TIPS Sales or Supplemental Agreements, including but not limited to: allegations of product defect or insufficiency, allegations of service defect or insufficiency, allegations regarding delivery defect or insufficiency, allegations of fraud or misrepresentation, allegations regarding pricing or amounts owed for TIPS sales, and/or allegations regarding payment, over-payment, under-payment, or non-payment for TIPS Sales. Payment/Drafting, overpayment/over-drafting, under-payment/under-drafting, or non-payment for TIPS Sales between customer and Vendor and inspections, rejections, or acceptance of such purchases shall be the exclusive respective obligations of Vendor/Customer, and disputes shall be handled in accordance with the terms of the underlying Supplemental Agreement(s) entered into between Vendor and Customer. Vendor acknowledges that TIPS is not a dealer, subcontractor, agent, or reseller of Vendor's goods and services and shall not be responsible for any claims arising out of alleged insufficiencies or defects in Vendor's goods and services, should any arise.
- 18. Confidentiality of Vendor Data. Vendor understands and agrees that by signing this Agreement, all Vendor Data is hereby released to TIPS, TIPS Members, and TIPS third-party administrators to effectuate Vendor's TIPS Contract except as provided for herein. The Parties agree that Vendor Data is accessible by all TIPS Members as if submitted directly to that TIPS Member Customer for purchase consideration. If Vendor otherwise considers any portion of Vendor's Data to be confidential and not subject to public disclosure pursuant to Chapter 552 Texas Gov't Code (the "Public Information Act") or other law(s) and orders, Vendor must have identified the claimed confidential materials through proper execution of the Confidentiality Claim Form which is required to be submitted as part of Vendor's proposal resulting in this Agreement and incorporated by reference. The Confidentiality Claim Form included in Vendor's proposal and incorporated herein by reference is the sole indicator of whether Vendor considers any Vendor Data confidential in the event TIPS receives a Public Information Request. If TIPS receives a request, any responsive documentation not deemed confidential by you in this manner will be automatically released. For Vendor Data deemed confidential by you in this manner, 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, including Attorney General determination and opinion. In the event that TIPS receives a written request for information pursuant to the Public Information Act that affects Vendor's interest in any information or data furnished to TIPS by Vendor, and TIPS requests an opinion from the Attorney General, Vendor may, at its own option and expense, prepare comments and submit information directly to the Attorney General stating why the requested information is exempt from disclosure pursuant to the requirements of the Public Information Act. Vendor is solely responsible for submitting the memorandum brief and information to the Attorney General within the time period prescribed by the Public Information Act. Notwithstanding any other information provided in this solicitation or Vendor designation of certain Vendor Data as confidential or proprietary, Vendor's acceptance of this TIPS Vendor Agreement constitutes Vendor's consent to the disclosure of Vendor's Data, including any information deemed confidential or proprietary, to TIPS

Members or as ordered by a Court or government agency, including without limitation the Texas Attorney General. Vendor agrees that TIPS shall not be responsible or liable for any use or distribution of information or documentation by TIPS Members or as required by law.

- 19. Vendor's Subcontractors. TIPS recognizes that many vendors operate in the open market through the use of subcontractors. For that reason, TIPS permits Vendor to utilize subcontractors as authorized and permitted by the TIPS Member Customer. However, all purchase documents must include: (1) Vendor's Name, as known to TIPS, and; (2) Vendor's TIPS Contract Name and Number under which it is making the TIPS Sale. Vendor must report the sale pursuant to the terms herein and Vendor agrees that it is legally responsible for all reporting and fee payment as described herein for TIPS Sales even when subcontractors are utilized. The TIPS Administration Fee is assessed on the amount paid by the TIPS Member to Vendor. The Parties intend that Vendor shall be responsible and for actions of subcontractors during a TIPS Sale. Vendor agrees that it is voluntarily authorizing subcontractors and in doing so, Vendor agrees that it is doing so at its own risk and agrees to protect, indemnify, and hold TIPS harmless in accordance with Sections 14-17 above related to subcontractor TIPS Sales made pursuant to this Agreement or purporting to be made pursuant to this Agreement that may be asserted against Vendor whether rightfully brought or otherwise. The Parties further agree that it is no defense to Vendor's breach of this Agreement that a subcontractor caused Vendor of breach this Agreement.
- 20. Circumvention of TIPS Sales. When a public entity initiates a purchase with Vendor, if the Member inquires verbally or in writing whether Vendor holds a TIPS Contract, it is the duty of the Vendor to verify whether the Member is seeking a TIPS purchase. Any request for quote, customer communication, or customer purchase initiated through or referencing a TIPS Contract shall be completed through TIPS pursuant to this Agreement. Any encouragement or participation by Vendor in circumventing a TIPS sale being completed may result in immediate termination of Vendor's TIPS Contract(s) for cause as well as preclusion from future TIPS opportunities at TIPS sole discretion.
- 21. State of Texas Franchise Tax. By signature hereon, Vendor hereby certifies that Vendor is not currently delinquent in the payment of any franchise taxes owed to the State of Texas under Chapter 171 of the Texas Tax Code.

#### 22. Termination.

- A) Termination for Convenience. TIPS may, by written notice to Vendor, terminate this Agreement for convenience, in whole or in part, at any time by giving thirty (30) days' written notice to Vendor of such termination, and specifying the effective date thereof.
- B) Termination for Cause. If Vendor fails to materially perform pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, TIPS shall provide written notice to Vendor specifying the default. If Vendor does not cure such default within thirty (30) days, TIPS may terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part, for cause. If TIPS terminates this Agreement for cause, and it is later determined that the termination for cause was wrongful, the termination shall automatically be converted to and treated as a termination for convenience.
- C) Vendor's Termination. If TIPS fails to materially perform pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, Vendor shall provide written notice to TIPS specifying the default ("Notice of Default"). If TIPS does not cure such default within thirty (30) days, Vendor may terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part, for cause. If TIPS terminates this Agreement for cause, and it is later determined that the termination for cause was wrongful, the termination shall automatically be converted to and treated as a termination for convenience.
- D) Upon termination, all TIPS Sale orders previously accepted by Vendor shall be fulfilled and Vendor shall be paid for all TIPS Sales executed pursuant to the applicable terms. All TIPS Sale orders presented to Vendor but not fulfilled by Vendor, prior to the actual termination of this agreement shall be honored at the option of the TIPS Member. TIPS shall submit to Vendor an invoice for any outstanding TIPS Administration Fees and approved expenses and Vendor shall pay such fees and expenses within 30 calendar days of receipt of such valid TIPS invoice. Vendor acknowledges and agrees that continued participation in TIPS is subject to TIPS' sole discretion and that any Vendor may be removed from the TIPS program at any time with or without cause. This termination clause does not affect TIPS Sales Supplemental Agreements pursuant to this term regarding termination and the Survival Clause term
- E) Vendor hereby waives any and all claims for damages, including, but not limited, to consequential damages or lost profits, that might arise from TIPS' act of terminating this Agreement.

- 23. Survival Clause. It is the intent of the Parties that this Agreement and procurement method applies to any TIPS Sale made during the life of this Agreement even if made on or near the Contract Expiration Date as defined herein. Thus, all TIPS Sales, including but not limited to: leases, service agreements, license agreements, open purchase orders, warranties, and contracts, even if they extend months or years past the TIPS Contract Expiration Date, shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement subject to the terms and conditions of the Supplemental Agreement between Customer and Vendor or unless otherwise specified herein.
- 24. Audit Rights. Due to transparency statutes and public accountability requirements of TIPS and TIPS Members, Vendor shall at their sole expense, maintain documentation of all TIPS Sales for a period of three years from the time of the TIPS Sale. In order to ensure and confirm compliance with this agreement, TIPS shall have authority to conduct audits of Vendor's TIPS Pricing or TIPS Sales with thirty-days' notice unless the audit is ordered by a Court Order or by a Government Agency with authority to do so without said notice. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that TIPS is made aware of any pricing being offered to eligible entities that is materially inconsistent with Vendor's TIPS Pricing, TIPS shall have the ability to conduct the audit internally or may engage a third-party auditing firm to investigate any possible non-compliant conduct or may terminate the Agreement according to the terms of this Agreement. In the event of an audit, the requested materials shall be reasonably provided in the time, format, and at the location acceptable to TIPS. TIPS agrees not to perform a random audit the TIPS transaction documentation more than once per calendar year, but reserves the right to audit for just cause or as required by any governmental agency or court with regulatory authority over TIPS or the TIPS Member. These audit rights shall survive termination of this Agreement for a period of one (1) year from the effective date of termination.
- 25. Conflicts of Interest. The Parties confirm that they have not offered, given, or accepted, nor intend to give at any time hereafter any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor, service to the other in connection with this Agreement. Vendor affirms that, to the best of Vendor's knowledge, this Agreement has been arrived at independently, and is awarded 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. Vendor agrees that it has disclosed any necessary affiliations with Region 8 Education Service Center and the TIPS Department, if any, through the Conflict of Interest attachment provided in the solicitation resulting in this Agreement.
- **26. Volume of TIPS Sales.** Nothing in this Agreement or any TIPS communication may be construed as a guarantee that TIPS or TIPS Members will submit any TIPS orders to Vendor at any time.
- **27. Compliance with the Law.** The Parties agree to comply fully with all applicable federal, state, and local statutes, ordinances, rules, and regulations applicable to their entity in connection with the programs contemplated under this Agreement.
- 28. Severability. If any term(s) or provision(s) of this Agreement are held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, then such term(s) or provision(s) shall be deemed restated to reflect the original intention of the Parties as nearly as possible in accordance with applicable law and the remainder of this Agreement, and the remainder of the provisions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect and shall in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated, unless such holding causes the obligations of the Parties hereto to be impossible to perform or shall render the terms of this Agreement to be inconsistent with the intent of the Parties hereto.
- 29. 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 through no fault of its own then such party shall give notice and full particulars of Force Majeure in writing to the other party within a reasonable time after occurrence of the event or cause relied upon. Upon delivering such notice, the obligation of the affected party, so far as it is affected by such Force Majeure as described, shall be suspended during the continuance of the inability then claimed but for no longer period, and such party shall endeavor to remove or overcome such inability with all reasonable dispatch. In the event that Vendor's obligations are suspended by reason of Force Majeure, all TIPS Sales accepted prior to the Force Majeure event shall be the legal responsibility of Vendor and the terms of the TIPS Sale Supplemental Agreement shall control Vendor's failure to fulfill for a Force Majeure event.
- **30. Immunity.** Vendor agrees that nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of sovereign or government immunity; nor constitute or be construed as a waiver of any of the privileges, rights, defenses, remedies, or immunities available to Region 8 Education Service Center or its TIPS Department. The failure to enforce, or any delay in the enforcement of, any privileges, rights, defenses, remedies, or immunities available to Region 8 Education Service Center or its TIPS Department under this Agreement or under applicable law shall not constitute a waiver of such privileges, rights, defenses, remedies, or immunities or be considered as a basis for estoppel.
- 31. Insurance Requirements. Vendor agrees to maintain the following minimum insurance requirements for the duration of this Agreement. All policies held by Vendor to adhere to this term shall be written by a carrier with a financial size category of VII and at least a rating of "A-" by A.M. Best Key Rating Guide. The coverages and limits are to be considered minimum requirements and in

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

General Liability: \$1,000,000 each Occurrence/Aggregate

Automobile Liability: \$300,000 Includes owned, hired & non-owned

Workers' Compensation: Statutory limits for the jurisdiction in which the Vendor performs under this Agreement. If Vendor performs

in multiple jurisdictions, Vendor shall maintain the statutory limits for the jurisdiction with the greatest dollar

policy limit requirement.

Umbrella Liability: \$1,000,000 each Occurrence/Aggregate

- **32.** Waiver. No waiver of any single breach or multiple breaches of any provision of this Agreement shall be construed to be a waiver of any breach of any other provision. No delay in acting regarding any breach of any provision shall be construed to be a waiver of such breach.
- 33. Binding Agreement. This Agreement shall be binding and inure to the benefit of the Parties hereto and their respective heirs, legal successors, and assigns.
- **34. Headings.** The paragraph headings contained in this Agreement are included solely for convenience of reference and shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation of any of the provisions of this Agreement.
- 35. Choice of Law and Venue. This Agreement shall be governed by, construed, and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas. Any proceeding, claim, action, or alternative dispute resolution arising out of or relating to this Agreement or involving TIPS shall be brought in a State Court of competent jurisdiction in Camp County, Texas, or if Federal Court is legally required, a Federal Court of competent jurisdiction in the Eastern District of 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 and 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.
- **36. Relationship of the Parties.** Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed to make one Party an agent of the other Party nor shall either party have any authority to bind the other in any respect, unless expressly authorized by the other party in writing. The Parties are independent contractors and nothing in this Agreement creates a relationship of employment, trust, agency or partnership between them.
- **37. Assignment.** No assignment of this Agreement or of any duty or obligation of performance hereunder, shall be made in whole or in part by a Party hereto without the prior written consent of the other Party. Written consent of TIPS shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- **38. Minimum Condition and Warranty Requirements for TIPS Sales.** All goods quoted or sold through a TIPS Sale shall be new unless clearly stated otherwise in writing. All new goods and services shall include the applicable manufacturers minimum standard warranty unless otherwise agreed to in the Supplemental Agreement.
- **39. Minimum Customer Support Requirements for TIPS Sales.** Vendor shall provide timely and commercially reasonable support for TIPS Sales or as agreed to in the applicable Supplemental Agreement.
- **40. Minimum Shipping Requirements for TIPS Sales.** Vendor shall ship, deliver, or provide ordered goods and services within a commercially reasonable time after acceptance of the order. If a delay in delivery is anticipated, Vendor shall notify the TIPS Member as to why delivery is delayed and provide an updated estimated time for completion. The TIPS Member may cancel the order if the delay is not commercially acceptable or not consistent with the Supplemental Agreement applicable to the order.
- **41. Minimum Vendor License Requirements.** Vendor shall maintain, in current status, all federal, state, and local licenses, bonds and permits required for the operation of the business conducted by Vendor. Vendor shall remain fully informed of and in compliance with

all ordinances and regulations pertaining to the lawful provision of goods or services under the TIPS Agreement. TIPS and TIPS Members reserve the right to stop work and/or cancel a TIPS Sale or terminate this or any TIPS Sale Supplemental Agreement involving Vendor if Vendor's license(s) required to perform under this Agreement or under the specific TIPS Sale have expired, lapsed, are suspended or terminated subject to a 30-day cure period unless prohibited by applicable statue or regulation.

- **42. Minimum Vendor Legal Requirements.** Vendor shall remain aware of and comply with this Agreement and all local, state, and federal laws governing the sale of products/services offered by Vendor under this contract. Such applicable laws, ordinances, and policies must be complied with even if not specified herein.
- 43. Minimum Site Requirements for TIPS Sales (when applicable to TIPS Sale).

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

**Preparation:** Vendor shall not begin a project for which a TIPS Member has not prepared the site, unless Vendor does the preparation work at no cost, or until TIPS Member includes the cost of site preparation in the TIPS Sale 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, Vendor agrees that no employee of Vendor or a subcontractor who has been adjudicated to be a registered sex offender will perform work at any time when students are, or reasonably expected to be, present unless otherwise agreed by the TIPS Member. Vendor agrees that a violation of this condition shall be considered a material breach and may result in the cancellation of the TIPS Sale at the TIPS Member's discretion. 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:** 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. Vendor shall post warning signs against all hazards created by the operation and work in progress. Proper precautions shall be taken pursuant to state law and standard practices to protect workers, general public and existing structures from injury or damage.

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

- **44. Wage Rates:** TIPS Member Customers often have to designate either Davis Bacon Act wage rates or similar wage rates for their construction contracts. The RS Means Unit Price Book accounts for local wage rates and the contractor must comply with RS Means and any additional wage rate requirements of the TIPS Member Customer.
- **45.** Engineering and Architectural Services: It is impermissible in Texas and some other jurisdictions for engineering and architectural services (A&E) to be procured or provided through an interlocal cooperative contract such as this one. The TIPS Member Customer, if required by law, must engage independent A&E providers according to the laws of their jurisdiction.
- **46. Payment for TIPS Sales.** TIPS Members may make payments for TIPS Sales directly to Vendor, or as otherwise agreed to in the applicable Supplemental Agreement after receipt of the invoice and in compliance with applicable payment statutes. Regardless of how payment is issued or received for a TIPS Sale, Vendor is responsible for all reporting and TIPS Administration Fee payment requirements as stated herein.
- 47. Marketing. Vendor agrees to allow TIPS to use their name and logo within the TIPS website, database, marketing materials, and advertisements unless Vendor negotiates this term to include a specific acceptable-use directive. Any use of TIPS' name and logo or any form of publicity, inclusive of press release, regarding this Agreement by Vendor must have prior approval from TIPS which will not be unreasonably withheld. Request may be made by email to tips@tips-usa.com. For marketing efforts directed to TIPS Members, Vendor must request and execute a separate Joint Marketing Disclaimer, at marketing@tips-usa.com, before TIPS can release contact information for TIPS Member entities for the purpose of marketing your TIPS contract(s). Vendor must adhere to strict Marketing Requirements once a disclaimer is executed. The Joint Marketing Disclaimer is a supplemental agreement specific to joint marketing efforts and has no effect on the terms of the TIPS Vendor Agreement. Vendor agrees that any images, photos, writing, audio, clip art, music, or any other intellectual property ("Property") or Vendor Data utilized, provided, or approved by Vendor during the course of the joint marketing efforts are either the exclusive property of Vendor, or Vendor has all necessary rights, license, and permissions to utilize said Property in the joint marketing efforts. Vendor agrees that they shall indemnify and hold harmless TIPS and its employees,

officers, agents, representatives, contractors, assignees, designees, and TIPS Members from any and all claims, damages, and judgments involving infringement of patent, copyright, trade secrets, trade or services marks, and any other intellectual or intangible property rights and/or claims arising from the Vendor's (including Vendor's officers', employees', agents', Authorized Resellers', subcontractors', licensees', or invitees') unauthorized use or distribution of Vendor Data and Property.

- **48.** Tax Exempt Status of TIPS Members. Most TIPS Members are tax exempt entities and the laws and regulations applicable to the specific TIPS Member customer shall control.
- **49. Automatic Renewal Limitation for TIPS Sales.** No TIPS Sale may incorporate an automatic renewal clause that exceeds month to month terms with which the TIPS Member must comply. All renewal terms incorporated into a TIPS Sale Supplemental Agreement shall only be valid and enforceable when Vendor received written confirmation of acceptance of the renewal term from the TIPS Member for the specific renewal term. 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. Any TIPS Sale Supplemental Agreement containing an "Automatic Renewal" clause that conflicts with these terms is rendered void and unenforceable.
- 50. Choice of Law Limitation for TIPS Sales. Vendor agrees that if any "Choice of Law" provision is included in any TIPS Sale agreement/contract between Vendor and a TIPS Member, that clause must provide that the "Choice of Law" applicable to the TIPS Sale agreement/contract between Vendor and TIPS Member shall be the state where the TIPS Member operates unless the TIPS Member expressly agrees otherwise. Any TIPS Sale Supplemental Agreement containing a "Choice of Law" clause that conflicts with these terms is rendered void and unenforceable.
- 51. Venue Limitation for TIPS Sales. Vendor agrees that if any "Venue" provision is included in any TIPS Sale Agreement/contract between Vendor and a TIPS Member, that clause must provide that the "Venue" for any litigation or alternative dispute resolution shall be in the state and county where the TIPS Member operates unless the TIPS Member expressly agrees otherwise. Any TIPS Sale Supplemental Agreement containing a "Venue" clause that conflicts with these terms is rendered void and unenforceable.
- 52. Indemnity Limitation for TIPS Sales. Texas and other jurisdictions restrict the ability of governmental entities to indemnify others. Vendor agrees that if any "Indemnity" provision which requires the TIPS Member to indemnify Vendor is included in any TIPS sales agreement/contract between Vendor and a TIPS Member, that clause must either be stricken or qualified by including that such indemnity is only permitted, "to the extent permitted by the laws and constitution of [TIPS Member's State]" unless the TIPS Member expressly agrees otherwise. Any TIPS Sale Supplemental Agreement containing an "Indemnity" clause that conflicts with these terms is rendered void and unenforceable.
- 53. Arbitration Limitation for TIPS Sales. Vendor agrees that if any "Arbitration" provision is included in any TIPS Sale agreement/contract between Vendor and a TIPS Member, that clause may not require that the arbitration is mandatory or binding. Vendor agrees that if any "Arbitration" provision is included in any TIPS Sale agreement/contract between Vendor and a TIPS Member, that clause provides for only voluntary and non-binding arbitration unless the TIPS Member expressly agrees otherwise. Any TIPS Sale Supplemental Agreement containing a "Arbitration" clause that conflicts with these terms is rendered void and unenforceable.

In Witness Whereof, the parties hereto, each acting under due and proper authority, have signed this Agreement.

# TIPS VENDOR AGREEMENT SIGNATURE FORM

# TIPS 230104 Trades, Labor, and Materials – Part 2

Vendor Name: Sabelhaus West, Inc.		
Vendor Address: 10880 Old Frontier Ro	NW k	
City: Silverdale	State: WA	Zip Code: 98383
Vendor Authorized Signatory Name: Nick Sabel	haus	
Vendor Authorized Signatory Title: President		
Vendor Authorized Signatory Phone: 360-731-90	010 cell / 36	0-662-9860 office
Vendor Authorized Signatory Email: nsabelhaus	s@sabelhau	uswest.com
Vendor Authorized Signature: Nick Sabelhaus Die	gitally signed by Nick Sabelhaus ate: 2023.02.14 10:59:19 -08'00'	Date: 2.14.2023
(The following is for TI	PS completion only)	
TIPS Authorized Signatory Name: Dr. David Fit	tts	
TIPS Authorized Signatory Title: Executive Di	rector	
TIPS Authorized Signature:		Date: 4/28/2023



# 230104 Sabelhaus West Inc Sabelhaus West, Inc. Supplier Response

## **Event Information**

Number: 230104

Title: Trades, Labor, and Materials (2 Part with JOC)

Type: Request for Proposal

Issue Date: 1/5/2023

Deadline: 2/17/2023 03:00 PM (CT)

Notes: This is a solicitation issued by The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS), a department of

Texas Region 8 Education Service Center. It is an Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity ("IDIQ") solicitation. It will result in contracts that provide, through adoption/"piggyback" an indefinite quantity of supplies/services, during a fixed period of time, to TIPS public entity and qualifying non-profit "TIPS Members" throughout the nation. Thus, there is no specific project or scope of work to review. Rather this solicitation is issued as a prospective award for utilization when any TIPS Member needs the goods or services

offered during the life of the agreement.

This is a two part solicitation. Part 1 is solicited for TIPS sales that are not considered a "public work" construction project. Part 1 permits the sale of goods and non-construction/non-"public work" services such as maintenance and minor repairs. Part 2 Job Order Contract (JOC) is solicited for projects considered by your TIPS Member Customers to be a "public work" construction project. The determination of whether or not a TIPS sale amounts to a "public work" construction project requiring a Part 2 JOC contract is made by the TIPS Member Customer at the time of each TIPS sale.

Thus, Vendors are encouraged to respond to both Parts 1 and 2 in case your TIPS Member Customers require that a sale be made under one Part or the other. However, responding to both Parts is not required. Please see the attachment entitled TIPS Informational – Do I Respond to Part 1, Part 2, or Both" for more information.

IF YOU CURRENTLY HOLD TIPS CONTRACT 200201 TRADES, LABOR AND MATERIALS ("200201"), YOU MUST RESPOND TO THIS SOLICITATION TO PREVENT LAPSE OF CONTRACT UNLESS YOU HOLD ANOTHER CURRENT TIPS CONTRACT THAT COVERS ALL OF YOUR OFFERINGS. THIS AWARDED CONTRACT WILL REPLACE YOUR EXPIRING TIPS CONTRACT 200201.

IF YOU HOLD A TIPS "TRADES, LABOR, AND MATERIALS" CONTRACT OTHER THAN 200201 AND YOU CHOOSE TO RESPOND HEREIN, YOUR EXISTING TIPS "TRADES, LABOR, AND MATERIALS" CONTRACT WILL BE TERMINATED AND REPLACED BY THIS CONTRACT UNLESS YOU ONLY HOLD "PART 1" OR "PART 2" AND ARE AWARDED HEREIN ON PART THAT YOU DO NOT YET HOLD.

IF YOU HOLD ANOTHER TIPS CONTRACT OTHER THAN 200201 WHICH COVERS ALL OF YOUR OFFERINGS AND YOU ARE SATISFIED WITH IT, THERE IS NO NEED TO RESPOND TO THIS SOLICITATION UNLESS YOU PREFER TO HOLD BOTH CONTRACTS OR REPLACE YOUR EXISTING TIPS "TRADES, LABOR, AND MATERIALS" CONTRACT.

#### **Contact Information**

Address: Region 8 Education Service Center

4845 US Highway 271 North

Pittsburg, TX 75686

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

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#### **Sabelhaus West Inc Information**

Contact: Melinda Kinsley

Address: 10880 Old Frontier Rd NW

Silverdale, WA 98383

Phone: (360) 662-9860 Fax: (360) 662-9866

Email: office@sabelhauswest.com Web Address: www.sabelhauswest.com

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

Nick Sabelhaus asabelhaus sabelhauswest.com

Signature Email

Submitted at 2/15/2023 12:21:27 PM (CT)

# **Requested Attachments**

#### **Pricing Form 1 (Part 1)**

3.0 230104 Pricing Form 1 (Part 1).xlsx

If responding to Part 1, Pricing Form 1 (Part 1) must be downloaded from the "Attachments" section of the IonWave eBid System, reviewed, properly completed as instructed, and uploaded to this location.

#### **Pricing Form 2 (Part 1)**

4.0 230104 Pricing Form 2 (Part 1).xlsx

If responding to Part 1, Pricing Form 2 (Part 1) must be downloaded from the "Attachments" section of the IonWave eBid System, reviewed, properly completed as instructed, and uploaded to this location.

#### Alternate or Supplemental Pricing Documents (Part 1)

No response

Optional. If responding to Part 1, when completing Pricing Form 1 (Part 1) & Pricing Form 2 (Part 1), you direct TIPS to view additional, alternate, or supplemental pricing documentation, you may upload that Part 1 documentation.

#### Vendor Agreement (Part 1)

5.0 230104 Vendor Agreement (Part 1).pdf

If responding to Part 1, the Vendor Agreement must be downloaded from the "Attachments" section of the IonWave eBid System, reviewed, Vendor Name placed in the line provided at the top, and uploaded to this location. If Vendor has proposed deviations to the Vendor Agreement (Part 1), Vendor may assert so in the Attribute Questions and those shall be addressed during evaluation.

#### **Vendor Agreement Signature Form (Part 1)**

6.0 230104 Vendor Agreement Signature Form (Part 1).pdf

If responding to Part 1 the Vendor Agreement Signature Form (Part 1) must be downloaded from the "Attachments" section of the IonWave eBid System, reviewed, properly completed, and uploaded to this location. If Vendor has proposed deviations to the Vendor Agreement (Part 1), Vendor may leave the signature line of this page blank and assert so in the Attribute Questions and those shall be addressed during evaluation.

#### Part 2 Required Bonding Capacity Letter

9.1, Bonding Letter, TIPS, 1.17.2023.pdf

If proposing on Part 2, Vendor is required to upload a Bonding Capacity Letter from its surety, as described herein, at this location. Please see the attachment entitled "Instructions and Sample - Part 2 Required Bonding Capacity Letter" for complete instructions. . On Part 2, Vendor will be scored on the aggregate bonding capacity displayed in the accepted letter. Vendor must provide a current letter (issued on or after the first day of the month preceding the date on which the solicitation was posted) from its surety verifying Vendor's bonding capacity as described herein. (Ex. if the solicitation/bid posted on February 4, 2022, the letter must be dated on or after January 1 2022. The letter must be issued from Vendor's Surety companies, on surety company letterhead, must specify the maximum bonding capacity of the Vendor, and must be signed by an authorized representative of the surety company. The issuing surety must be authorized to do business in the State of Texas and must be listed on the Department of the Treasury's Listing of Approved Sureties (Department Circular 570).

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#### Optional Xactimate Response Attachment (Part 2)

No response

If proposing on Part 2, this pricing method is optional and CANNOT be used instead of the required RS Means Pricing on Part 2. RS Means Pricing is required on Part 2 but Vendor may submit this pricing option in addition to the required RS Means Pricing and the two pricing scores will be averaged for Part 2. If desired, the Optional Additional Xactimate Pricing Form (Part 2) may be downloaded from the "Attachments" section of the IonWave eBid System, reviewed, properly completed, and uploaded at this location.

#### **Vendor Agreement (Part 2)**

11.0 230104 Vendor Agreement - JOC (Part 2).pdf

If responding to Part 2, the Vendor Agreement (Part 2) must be downloaded from the "Attachments" section of the lonWave eBid System, reviewed, properly completed, and uploaded to this location. If Vendor has proposed deviations to the Vendor Agreement (Part 2), Vendor may assert so in the Attribute Questions and those shall be addressed during evaluation.

#### **Vendor Agreement Signature Form (Part 2)**

12.0 230104 Vendor Agreement Signature Form (Part 2).pdf

If responding to Part 2, the Vendor Agreement Signature Form (Part 2) must be downloaded from the "Attachments" section of the IonWave eBid System, reviewed, properly completed, and uploaded to this location. If Vendor has proposed deviations to the Vendor Agreement (Part 2), Vendor may leave the signature line of this page blank and assert so in the Attribute Questions and those shall be addressed during evaluation.

#### **Reference Form**

13.0 Reference Form JOC (Parts 1 & 2).xls

The Reference Form must be downloaded from the "Attachments" section of the IonWave eBid System, reviewed, properly completed, and uploaded to this location. The Reference Form must be uploaded in Excel format.

#### **Required Confidentiality Claim Form**

14.0 230104 Required Confidentiality Claim Form.pdf

The Required Confidentiality Claim Form must be downloaded from the "Attachments" section of the IonWave eBid System, reviewed, properly completed, and uploaded to this location. This is the only way for Vendor to assert confidentiality of any information submitted.

#### Conflict of Interest Questionnaire - Form CIQ

No response

Do not upload this form unless you have a reportable conflict with TIPS. There is an Attribute entitled "Conflict of Interest Questionnaire Requirement" immediately followed by an Attribute entitled "Conflict of Interest Questionnaire Requirement – Form CIQ – Continued." Properly respond to those Attributes and only upload this form if applicable/instructed. If upload is required based on your response to those Attributes, the Conflict of Interest Questionnaire – Form CIQ must be downloaded from the "Attachments" section of the IonWave eBid System, reviewed, properly completed, and uploaded at this location.

#### Disclosure of Lobbying Activities - Standard Form - LLL

No response

Do not upload this form unless Vendor has reportable lobbying activities. There are Attributes entitled, "2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment – Continued." Properly respond to those Attributes and only upload this form if applicable/instructed. If upload is required based on your response to those Attributes, the Disclosure of Lobbying Activities – Standard Form - LLL must be downloaded from the "Attachments" section of the IonWave eBid System, reviewed, properly completed, and uploaded to this location.

#### Current Form W-9

W9, Sabelhaus West, 2.6.2023.pdf

Vendor must upload their current IRS Tax Form W-9. The legal name, EIN, and d/b/a's listed should match the information provided herein exactly. This form will be utilized by TIPS to properly identify your entity.

#### **Certificates & Licenses (Supplemental Vendor Information Only)**

No response

Optional. If Vendor would like to display any applicable certificates or licenses (including HUB certificates) for TIPS and TIPS Member Customer consideration, Vendor may upload those at this location. These supplemental documents shall not be considered part of the TIPS Contract. Rather, they are Vendor Supplemental Information for marketing and informational purposes only.

# Vendor's Warranties, Terms, and Conditions Wa (Supplemental Vendor Information Only)

Warranty (Labor and Materials) - Template, Sabelhaus West.pdf

Optional. If Vendor would like to display any standard warranties, terms, or conditions which are often applicable to their offerings for TIPS and TIPS Member Customer consideration, Vendor may upload those at this location. These supplemental documents shall not be considered part of the TIPS Contract. Rather, they are Vendor Supplemental Information for marketing and informational purposes only.

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# **Supplemental Vendor Information (Supplemental Vendor Information Only)**

Supplemental Information, SWI, 2.14.2023.pdf

Optional. If Vendor would like to display or include any brochures, promotional documents, marketing materials, or other Vendor Information for TIPS and TIPS Member Customer consideration, Vendor may upload those at this location.

These supplemental documents shall not be considered part of the TIPS Contract. Rather, they are Vendor Supplemental Information for marketing and informational purposes only.

#### Vendor Logo (Supplemental Vendor Information Only)

No response

Optional. If Vendor desires that their logo be displayed on their public TIPS profile for TIPS and TIPS Member viewing, Vendor may upload that logo at this location. These supplemental documents shall not be considered part of the TIPS Contract. Rather, they are Vendor Supplemental Information for marketing and informational purposes only.

#### **Bid Attributes**

1	Disadvantaged/Mino	ritv/Women	Business	& Federal	<b>HUBZone</b>
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Some participating public entities are required to seek Disadvantaged/Minority/Women Business & Federal HUBZone ("D/M/WBE/Federal HUBZone") vendors. Does Vendor certify that their entity is a D/M/WBE/Federal HUBZone vendor?

If you respond "Yes," you must upload current certification proof in the appropriate "Response Attachments" location.

NO

## 2 Historically Underutilized Business (HUB)

Some participating public entities are required to seek Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) vendors as defined by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts Statewide HUB Program. Does Vendor certify that their entity is a HUB vendor?

If you respond "Yes," you must upload current certification proof in the appropriate "Response Attachments" location.

No

# 3 National Coverage

Can the Vendor provide its proposed goods and services to all 50 US States?

No

#### 4 States Served

If Vendor answered "No" to the question entitled "National Coverage," please list all states where vendor can provide the goods and services proposed directly below. Your response may dictate which potential TIPS Member customers consider purchasing your offerings.

Washington State

## 5 Description of Vendor Entity and Vendor's Goods & Services

If awarded, this description of Vendor and Vendor's goods and services will appear on the TIPS website for customer/public viewing.

Sabelhaus West, Inc is a Licensed General Contractor. Established in 1987 we; specialize in the application of interior and exterior paints and coatings. Our work includes surface preparation/lead work/repair; followed by the application of various paints/coatings for existing and new construction. Customer base: public agencies (schools, city, state, county, port authorities), commercial, industrial, Department of Defense. Employees are background checked, fingerprinted and credentialed annually or more frequently as may be required for government projects. Annual Safety Day for all employees, in house Safety Coordinator, employees are OSHA 30 certified. USL&H Coverage in place.

#### 6 Primary Contact Name

Please identify the individual who will be primarily responsible for all TIPS matters and inquiries for the duration of the contract.

Nick Sabelhaus

#### 7 Primary Contact Title

**Primary Contact Title** 

President/Owner

#### 8 Primary Contact Email

Please enter a valid email address that will definitely reach the Primary Contact.

nsabelhaus@sabelhauswest.com

## 9 Primary Contact Phone

Numbers only, no symbols or spaces (Ex. 8668398477). The system will auto-populate your entry with commas once submitted which is appropriate and expected (Ex. 8,668,398,477).

Please provide the accurate and current phone number where the individual who will be primarily responsible for all TIPS matters and inquiries for the duration of the contract can be reached directly.

3606629860

# 1 Primary Contact Fax

Numbers only, no symbols or spaces (Ex. 8668398477). The system will auto-populate your entry with commas once submitted which is appropriate and expected (Ex. 8,668,398,477).

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# Primary Contact Mobile

Numbers only, no symbols or spaces (Ex. 8668398477). The system will auto-populate your entry with commas once submitted which is appropriate and expected (Ex. 8,668,398,477).

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# 1 Secondary Contact Name

Please identify the individual who will be secondarily responsible for all TIPS matters and inquiries for the duration of the contract.

Jack Kinsley

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# Secondary Contact Title

Secondary Contact Title

Senior Estimator

# 1 Secondary Contact Email

Please enter a valid email address that will definitely reach the Secondary Contact.

jkinsley@sabelhauswest.com

# **1** Secondary Contact Phone

Numbers only, no symbols or spaces (Ex. 8668398477). The system will auto-populate your entry with commas once submitted which is appropriate and expected (Ex. 8,668,398,477).

Please provide the accurate and current phone number where the individual who will be secondarily responsible for all TIPS matters and inquiries for the duration of the contract can be reached directly.

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# 1 | Secondary Contact Fax

Numbers only, no symbols or spaces (Ex. 8668398477). The system will auto-populate your entry with commas once submitted which is appropriate and expected (Ex. 8,668,398,477).

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# Secondary Contact Mobile

Numbers only, no symbols or spaces (Ex. 8668398477). The system will auto-populate your entry with commas once submitted which is appropriate and expected (Ex. 8,668,398,477).

3604344153

#### 1 Administration Fee Contact Name

Please identify the individual who will be responsible for all payment, accounting, and other matters related to Vendor's TIPS Administration Fee due to TIPS for the duration of the contract.

Amy Prindle

#### 1 Administration Fee Contact Email

Please enter a valid email address that will definitely reach the Administration Fee Contact.

aprindle@sabelhauswest.com

# 2 Administration Fee Contact Phone

Numbers only, no symbols or spaces (Ex. 8668398477). The system will auto-populate your entry with commas once submitted which is appropriate and expected (Ex. 8,668,398,477).

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## 2 Purchase Order and Sales Contact Name

Please identify the individual who will be responsible for receiving and processing purchase orders and sales under the TIPS Contract.

Kellie Gallagher

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## 2 Purchase Order and Sales Contact Email

Please enter a valid email address that will definitely reach the Purchase Order and Sales Contact.

kgallagher@sabelhauswest.com

# 2 Purchase Order and Sales Contact Phone

Numbers only, no symbols or spaces (Ex. 8668398477). The system will auto-populate your entry with commas once submitted which is appropriate and expected (Ex. 8,668,398,477).

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# 2 Company Website

Company Website (Format - www.company.com)

www.sabelhauswest.com

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

You must confirm that you are responding to this solicitation under your legal entity name. Go now to your Supplier Profile in this eBid System and confirm that your profile reflects your "Legal Name" as it is listed on your W9.

In this question, please identify all of your entity's assumed names and D/B/A's. Please note that you will be identified publicly by the Legal Name under which you respond to this solicitation unless you organize otherwise with TIPS after award.

Sabelhaus West, Inc.

## 2 Primary Address

**Primary Address** 

10880 Old Frontier Rd NW

# 2 Primary Address City

**Primary Address City** 

Silverdale

# 2 Primary Address State

Primary Address State (2 Digit Abbreviation)

WA

# 2 Primary Address Zip

Primary Address Zip

98383

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## Search Words Identifying Vendor

Please list all search words and phrases to be included in the TIPS database related to your entity. **Do not** list words which are not associated with the bid category/scope (See bid title for general scope). This will help users find you through the TIPS website search function. You may include product names, manufacturers, specialized services, and other words associated with the scope of this solicitation.

paint, paints, coat, coatings, blast, SSPC, prep, stains, sealers, pressure wash, cleaning, wood restoration, restoration, chemical stripping, stripping, lead paint, lead, floor coatings, wall coverings, wall paper, industrial, commercial, government, school, city, county, elastomeric, air barrier, moisture barrier, caulking, sealants, sand blasting, marine, patch, brick restoration, brick sealer, line stripe, playground stripe, lead work, Sherwin Williams, Rodda, Fiberlock, Calpro, Tnemec, ICP, Miller, Benjamin Moore, Cabot, Chem-Trete, Chemtrete, BSM, Henry, Wasser, Kelly Moore, Vinyl Wall covering, wallcoverings, epoxy paint, epoxy coatings, epoxy, water repellent, graffiti, anti-graffiti, drywall, rail, metal, brick, CMU, soffit, interior, exterior, siding, panel, pipe, tank

## 3 Certification of Vendor Residency (Required by the State of Texas)

Does Vendor's parent company or majority owner:

(A) have its principal place of business in Texas; or (B) employ at least 500 persons in Texas?

Texas Education Code Section 44.031 requires that this information be considered in evaluation for certain contracts. However, Vendor response does not affect points, scoring, or potential award.

No

# 3 Vendor's Principal Place of Business (City)

In what city is Vendor's principal place of business located?

Silverdale

## 3 Vendor's Principal Place of Business (State)

In what state is Vendor's principal place of business located?

Washington

#### 3 Vendor's Years in Business

How many years has the business submitting this proposal been operating in its current capacity and field of work?

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## Certification Regarding Entire TIPS Agreement for Part 1 and Part 2 Contracts

This is a two part solicitation. Part 1 is solicited for TIPS sales that are not considered a "public work" construction project. Part 1 permits the sale of goods and non-construction/non-"public work" services such as maintenance and minor repairs. Part 2 Job Order Contract (JOC) is solicited for projects considered by your TIPS Member Customers to be a "public work" construction project. The determination of whether or not a TIPS sale amounts to a "public work" construction project requiring a Part 2 JOC contract is made by the TIPS Member Customer at the time of each TIPS sale. Thus, Vendors are encouraged to respond to both Parts 1 and 2 in case your TIPS Member Customers require that a sale be made under one Part or the other. However, responding to both Parts is not required. If Vendor responds and is awarded to both Parts, Vendor will have one contract for Part 1 and a separate contract for Part 2.

Vendor agrees that, if awarded, Vendor's final TIPS Contract(s), for either Part 1, Part 2, or both Parts, will consist of the provisions set forth in the corresponding finalized TIPS Vendor Agreement, Vendor's responses to these attribute questions, and: (1) The TIPS solicitation document resulting in the Agreement; (2) Any addenda or clarifications issued in relation to the corresponding TIPS solicitation; (3) All solicitation information provided to Vendor by TIPS through the TIPS eBid System; (3) Vendor's entire proposal response to the corresponding TIPS solicitation including all accepted required attachments, acknowledged notices and certifications, accepted negotiated terms, accepted pricing, accepted responses to questions, and accepted written clarifications of Vendor's proposal, and; any properly included attachments to the TIPS Contract.

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# 3 | Minimum Percentage Discount Offered to TIPS Members on all Part 1 Goods and Services (READ CAREFULLY)

Please read thoroughly and carefully as an error on your response can render your Part 1 contract award unusable. If you are not proposing on Part 1, you must still respond to proceed but it will not apply to you unless you decide to propose and are awarded on Part 1.

TIPS Members often turn to TIPS Contracts for ease of use and to receive discounted pricing.

If awarded on Part 1, what is the minimum percentage discount that you can offer TIPS Members off of all Part 1 goods and service pricing that you offer?

Vendor must respond with a percentage from 0%-100%. The percentage discount that you input below will be applied to your Part 1 "Catalog Pricing", as defined in the solicitation, for all TIPS Sales made during the life of the contract. You cannot alter this percentage discount once the solicitation legally closes. You will always be required to discount every TIPS Sale by the percentage included below. If you add goods or services to your "Catalog Pricing" during the life of the contract, you will be required to sell those new items with this discount applied.

**Example:** In this example, you enter a 10% minimum percentage discount below. In year-one of your TIPS Contract, your published Part 1 "Catalog Pricing" (website/store/published pricing) for "Material A" is \$100 and for "Material A Maintenance Service" is \$100. In this example, you must sell those items under the Part 1 TIPS Contract at the proposed 10% discounted price of: "Material A" - \$90, "Material A Maintenance Service" - \$90. In year two of your TIPS Contract, you update your Part 1 "Catalog Pricing" with the market. You add "Material B" to your "Catalog Pricing" for \$200 and have increased the price of "Material A" to \$110 and the price of "Material A Maintenance Service" to \$110. In this example, after the Part 1 "Catalog Pricing" update, you must still sell those items under the Part 1 TIPS Contract at the proposed 10% discounted price of: "Material A" - \$99, "Material A Maintenance Service" - \$99, and "Material B" - \$180.00.

If you cannot honor the discount on all Part 1 goods and items now included or which may be added in the future with certainty, then you should offer a lesser discount percentage below.

If awarded on Part 1, what is the minimum percentage discount that you can offer TIPS Members off of all Part 1 goods and service pricing that you offer?

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## **Honoring Vendor's Part 1 Minimum Percentage Discount**

Vendor is asked in these Attribute Questions to provide a Minimum Percentage Discount offered to TIPS Members on all Part 1 goods and services sold under the TIPS Contract. If proposing on Part 1, points will be assigned for your response and scoring of your Part 1 proposal will be affected. On your Part 1 evaluation, a "YES" answer will be awarded the maximum 10 points and a "NO" answer will be awarded 0 points. If you are not proposing on Part 1, you must still answer to proceed but this term will not apply to you or affect your scoring unless you decide to propose and are awarded on Part 1.

If awarded on Part 1, does Vendor agree to honor the Minimum Percentage Discount off of their TIPS "Catalog Pricing" that Vendor proposed for all TIPS Sales made for the duration of the TIPS Contract?

Yes

#### Volume and Additional Discounts

In addition to the Part 1 Minimum Percentage Discount proposed herein, does Vendor ever expect and intend to offer additional, greater, or volume discounts to TIPS Members?

If proposing on Part 1, point(s) may be assigned for your response in the Part 1 category of "Pricing" during scoring and evaluation. If you are not proposing on Part 1, you must respond to proceed but no points will be assigned for your response.

No

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## Part 1 "Catalog Pricing" and Pricing Requirements

This is a requirement of the Part 1 TIPS Contract and is non-negotiable. If you are not proposing on Part 1, you must still agree to proceed but it will not apply to you unless you decide to propose and are awarded on Part 1.

In this solicitation and resulting contract, Part 1 "Catalog Pricing" shall be defined as:

"The then available list of goods or services, in the most current listing regardless of date, that takes the form of a catalog, price list, price schedule, shelf-price or other viewable format that:

- A. is regularly maintained by the manufacturer or Vendor of an item; and
- B. is either published or otherwise available for review by TIPS or a customer during the purchase process:
- C. to which the Minimum Percentage Discount proposed by the proposing Vendor may be applied.

If awarded on Part 1 of this TIPS Contract, for the duration of the contract, Vendor agrees to provide, upon request, their then current "Catalog Pricing." Or, in limited circumstances where Vendor has proposed the Percentage Mark-Up method of pricing in this proposal, proof of Vendor's "cost" may be accepted by TIPS in place of catalog pricing.

YES

# REQUIRED FOR PART 2 - Vendor's Regular Hours RS Means Coefficient

What is Vendor's Regular Hours RS Means Coefficient?

The RS Means Price Book is a unit price book adjusted for different geographic areas by using the City Cost Index for each location. You may visit https://www.rsmeans.com for more information.

You must review the TIPS Part 2 RS Means JOC Pricing Explanation & Rubric under the "Attachments" tab prior to responding herein.

To propose the RS Means Price Book pricing exactly, Vendor would insert a 1.0 as their Regular Hours RS Means Coefficient below, to propose a 5% discount off of the RS Means Price Book Vendor would insert a .95 as their Regular Hours RS Means Coefficient below. To see the full scoring rubric and use TIPS scoring calculator, please view the TIPS RS Means JOC Pricing Explanation & Rubric under the "Attachments" tab.

Insert Vendor's Regular Hours RS Means Coefficient below.

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#### REQUIRED FOR PART 2 - Vendor's After-Hours RS Means Coefficient

What is Vendor's After-Hours RS Means Coefficient?

The RS Means Price Book is a unit price book adjusted for different geographic areas by using the City Cost Index for each location. You may visit https://www.rsmeans.com for more information.

You must review the TIPS Part 2 RS Means JOC Pricing Explanation & Rubric under the "Attachments" tab prior to responding herein.

The most common After-Hours RS Means Coefficient is "time-and-a-half" of the standard RS Means Unit Price Book. For example, if Vendor's Regular Hours Coefficient above is .95, Vendor would assert an After-Hours RS Means Coefficient of 1.45 for "time-and-a-half" pricing. To see the full scoring rubric and use TIPS scoring calculator, please view the TIPS RS Means JOC Pricing Explanation & Rubric under the "Attachments" tab.

Insert Vendor's After-Hours RS Means Coefficient below.

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# 4 REQUIRED FOR PART 2 - Vendor's Percentage Markup of Items not Pre-Priced within the RS Means Price Book

Here, Vendor must enter a percentage, not a coefficient.

If Vendor sells items which cannot be found in the RS Means Price Book, at what Percentage Markup does Vendor agree to sell those Non Pre-Priced items? This is a maximum Percentage Markup and Vendor may always offer customers a lesser markup.

**Example:** In this example, Vendor is selling a project to a TIPS Member school district and some of the contract pricing for special materials cannot be verified because it cannot be found in the RS Means Price book. Vendor may sell those specialty items to the Member this percentage markup from cost. In this example, if one of the specialty items cost Vendor \$100 from the manufacturer and Vendor proposed a Percentage Markup of 30% here, then Vendor could sell the item to the TIPS Customer for \$130.00 or less in this example.

Vendor must provide TIPS with manufacturer documentation reflecting the cost of any non pre-priced item at the time of the TIPS sale so that TIPS can verify that the proposed percentage markup is being honored.

What is Vendor's Percentage Markup of items not Pre-Priced within the RS Means Price Book?

17%

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# **REQUIRED FOR PART 2 - TIPS Pricing and Line Item Estimate Pricing Requirements**

This is a requirement of the Part 2 TIPS Contract and is non-negotiable. If you are not proposing on Part 2, you must still agree to proceed but it will not apply to you unless you decide to propose and are awarded on Part 2.

Vendor must respond to the required pricing attributes above seeking RS Means coefficients and a percentage markup if seeking to propose on Part 2.

If awarded on Part 2 of this TIPS Contract, for the duration of the contract, Vendor agrees to provide a RS Means line-item estimate to TIPS for each anticipated Part 2 TIPS project or sale. Or, in limited circumstances in contracts where Xactimate pricing is also expressly permitted and Vendor also submits Xactimate pricing under Part 2, Vendor may instead provide an Xactimate line-item estimate to TIPS. However, Vendor agrees that when a TIPS Member Customer seeks a quote for a Part 2 TIPS sale, Vendor will always supply a line-item estimate to TIPS for review and approval.

Yes, Vendor agrees

#### **EXCEPTIONS & DEVIATIONS TO TIPS STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

Vendor agrees that, if awarded, Vendor's final TIPS Part 1 and/or Part 2 Contract will consist of the provisions set forth in the finalized TIPS Vendor Agreement, Vendor's responses to these attribute questions, and: (1) The corresponding TIPS solicitation document resulting in this Agreement; (2) Any addenda or clarifications issued in relation to the corresponding TIPS solicitation; (3) All solicitation information provided to Vendor by TIPS through the TIPS eBid System; (3) Vendor's entire proposal response to the corresponding TIPS solicitation including all accepted required attachments, acknowledged notices and certifications, accepted negotiated terms, accepted pricing, accepted responses to questions, and accepted written clarifications of Vendor's proposal, and; any properly included attachments to the TIPS Contract. In the event of conflict between the terms of the finalized Vendor Agreement and one of the incorporated documents the terms and conditions which are in the best interest of governmental/qualifying non-profit TIPS Members shall control at TIPS sole discretion.

If Vendor responds, "No, Vendor does not agree" to this Attribute, after this solicitation legally closes and TIPS begins evaluating Vendor's file, TIPS will provide Vendor with a draft Word Document version of the Vendor Agreement and will be instructed to include all requested negotiations as redline edits for TIPS consideration. This is the only proper way to submit proposed deviations for TIPS consideration. TIPS reserves the right to accept, decline, or modify Vendor's requested negotiated terms. For this reason, answering "No, Vendor does not agree" may ultimately delay or prevent award.

Does Vendor agree with TIPS standard terms and conditions as presented in the TIPS solicitation document (RFP, RCSP, RFQ, or other) and the TIPS Vendor Agreement document?

Yes

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#### **TIPS Sales Reporting Requirements**

This is a requirement of the TIPS Contract and is non-negotiable.

By submitting this proposal, Vendor certifies that Vendor will properly report all TIPS sales. With the exception of TIPS Automated Vendors, who have signed an exclusive agreement with TIPS regarding reporting, all TIPS Sales must be reported to TIPS by either:

- (1) Emailing the purchase order or similar purchase document (with Vendor's Name, as known to TIPS, and the TIPS Contract Name and Number included) to TIPS at tipspo@tips-usa.com with "Confirmation Only" in the subject line of the email within three business days of Vendor's acceptance of the order, or;
- (2) Within 3 business days of the order being accepted by Vendor, Vendor must login to the TIPS Vendor Portal and successfully self-report all necessary sale information within the Vendor Portal and confirm that it shows up accurately on your current Vendor Portal statement.

No other method of reporting is acceptable unless agreed to by the Parties in writing. Failure to report all sales pursuant to this provision may result in immediate cancellation of Vendor's TIPS Contract(s) for cause at TIPS' sole discretion.

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#### **TIPS Administration Fee Requirement and Acknowledgment**

This is a requirement of the TIPS Contract and is non-negotiable.

The collection of fees by TIPS, a government entity, for performance of these procurement services is required pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 791.011 et. seq. The TIPS Administration Fee is the amount legally owed by Vendor to TIPS for TIPS Sales made by Vendor. The TIPS Administration Fee amount is typically a set percentage of each TIPS Sale legally due to TIPS, but the exact TIPS Administration Fee for this Contract is published in the corresponding RFP or RCSP document. TIPS Administration Fees are due to TIPS immediately upon Vendor's receipt of payment, including partial payment, for a TIPS Sale.

By submitting a proposal, Vendor agrees that it has read, understands, and agrees to the published TIPS Administration Fee amount, calculation, and payment requirements. By submitting a proposal Vendor further confirms that all TIPS Pricing includes the TIPS Administration Fee and Vendor will not show adding the TIPS Administration Fee as a charge or line-item in any TIPS Sale.

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#### **TIPS Member Access to Vendor Proposal & Documentation**

This is a requirement of the TIPS Contract and is non-negotiable.

Notwithstanding any other information provided in this solicitation or Vendor designation of certain documentation as confidential or proprietary, Vendor's submission of this proposal constitutes Vendor's express consent to the disclosure of Vendor's comprehensive proposal, including any information deemed confidential or proprietary, **to TIPS Members**. The proposing Vendor agrees that TIPS shall not be responsible or liable for any use or distribution of information or documentation to TIPS Members or by TIPS Members. By submitting this proposal, Vendor certifies the foregoing.

## Non-Collusive Bidding Certificate

This is a requirement of the TIPS Contract and is non-negotiable.

By submission of this proposal, the Vendor certifies that:

- 1) This proposal has been independently arrived at without collusion with any other entity, bidder, or with any competitor;
- 2) This 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 modify, submit, or not to submit a bid or proposal; and
- 4) The person signing this bid or proposal certifies that they are duly authorized to execute this proposal/contract on behalf of Vendor and they have fully informed themselves 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;

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

This is a requirement of the TIPS Contract and is non-negotiable.

By submission of this bid or proposal, Vendor certifies under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of Texas that:

- (1) I am duly authorized to execute this proposal/contract on my own behalf or on behalf of the company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual (Vendor) identified herein;
- (2) In connection with this proposal, neither I nor any representative of Vendor has violated any provision of the Texas Free Enterprise and Antitrust Act, Tex. Bus. & Comm. Code Chapter 15;
- (3) In connection with this proposal, neither I nor any representative of the Vendor has violated any federal antitrust law:
- (4) Neither I nor any representative of Vendor 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.

# Limitation on Out-of-State Litigation - Texas Business and Commerce Code § 272

This is a requirement of the TIPS Contract and is non-negotiable.

Texas Business and Commerce Code § 272 prohibits a construction contract, or an agreement collateral to or affecting the construction contract, from containing a provision making the contract or agreement, or any conflict arising under the contract or agreement, subject to another state's law, litigation in the courts of another state, or arbitration in another state. If included in Texas construction contracts, such provisions are voidable by a party obligated by the contract or agreement to perform the work.

By submission of this proposal, Vendor acknowledges this law and *if Vendor enters into a construction contract* with a Texas TIPS Member under this procurement, Vendor certifies compliance.

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#### Required Confidentiality Claim Form

This is a requirement of the TIPS Contract and is non-negotiable.

TIPS provides the required TIPS Confidentiality Claim Form in the "Attachments" section of this solicitation. Vendor must execute this form by either signing and waiving any confidentiality claim, or designating portions of Vendor's proposal confidential. If Vendor considers any portion of Vendor's proposal to be confidential and not subject to public disclosure pursuant to Chapter 552 Texas Gov't Code or other law(s) and orders, Vendor must have identified the claimed confidential materials through proper execution of the Confidentiality Claim Form.

If TIPS receives a public information act or similar request, any responsive documentation not deemed confidential by you in this manner will be automatically released. For Vendor documents deemed confidential by you in this manner, 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, including Attorney General determination and opinion.

Notwithstanding any other Vendor designation of Vendor's proposal as confidential or proprietary, Vendor's submission of this proposal constitutes Vendor's agreement that proper execution of the required TIPS Confidentiality Claim Form is the only way to assert any portion of Vendor's proposal as confidential.

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

This is a requirement of the TIPS Contract and is non-negotiable.

In accordance with Federal civil rights law, all U.S. Departments, including but not limited to the USDA, USDE, FEMA, 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 federal funds (not all bases apply to all programs).

Vendor certifies that Vendor will comply with applicable Non-Discrimination and Equal Opportunity provisions set forth in TIPS Member Customers' policies and other regulations at the local, state, and federal levels of governments.

✓ Yes, I certify (Yes)

#### Limitation of Vendor Indemnification and Similar Clauses

This is a requirement of the TIPS Contract and is non-negotiable.

TIPS, a department of Region 8 Education Service Center, a political subdivision, and local government entity of the State of Texas, is prohibited from indemnifying third-parties (pursuant to the Article 3, Section 52 of the Texas Constitution) except as otherwise specifically provided for by law or as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction. Article 3, Section 52 of the Texas Constitution states that "no debt shall be created by or on behalf of the State ... " and the Texas Attorney General has opined that a contractually imposed obligation of indemnity creates a "debt" in the constitutional sense. Tex. Att'y Gen. Op. No. MW-475 (1982). Thus, contract clauses which require TIPS to indemnify Vendor, pay liquidated damages, pay attorney's fees, waive Vendor's liability, or waive any applicable statute of limitations must be deleted or qualified with "to the extent permitted by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Texas."

Does Vendor agree?

Yes, I Agree (Yes)

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#### Alternative Dispute Resolution Limitations

This is a requirement of the TIPS Contract and is non-negotiable.

TIPS, a department of Region 8 Education Service Center, a political subdivision, and local government entity of the State of Texas, does not agree to binding arbitration as a remedy to dispute and no such provision shall be permitted in this Agreement with TIPS. Vendor agrees that any claim arising out of or related to this Agreement, except those specifically and expressly waived or negotiated within this Agreement, may be subject to non-binding mediation at the request of either party to be conducted by a mutually agreed upon mediator as prerequisite to the filing of any lawsuit arising out of or related to this Agreement. Mediation shall be held in either Camp or Titus County, Texas. Agreements reached in mediation will be subject to the approval by the Region 8 ESC's Board of Directors, authorized signature of the Parties if approved by the Board of Directors, and, once approved by the Board of Directors and properly signed, shall thereafter be enforceable as provided by the laws of the State of Texas.

Does Vendor agree?

Yes

# No Waiver of TIPS Immunity

This is a requirement of the TIPS Contract and is non-negotiable.

Vendor agrees that nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of sovereign or government immunity; nor constitute or be construed as a waiver of any of the privileges, rights, defenses, remedies, or immunities available to Region 8 Education Service Center or its TIPS Department. The failure to enforce, or any delay in the enforcement, of any privileges, rights, defenses, remedies, or immunities available to Region 8 Education Service Center or its TIPS Department under this Agreement or under applicable law shall not constitute a waiver of such privileges, rights, defenses, remedies, or immunities or be considered as a basis for estoppel.

Does Vendor agree?

Yes, Vendor agrees (Yes)

# Payment Terms and Funding Out Clause

This is a requirement of the TIPS Contract and is non-negotiable.

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

Funding-Out Clause: Vendor agrees to abide by the applicable laws and regulations, including but not limited to Texas Local Government Code § 271.903, or any other statutory or regulatory limitation of the jurisdiction of any TIPS Member, which requires that contracts approved by TIPS or a TIPS Member are subject to the budgeting and appropriation of currently available funds by the entity or its governing body.

Does Vendor agree?

✓ Yes, Vendor agrees (Yes)

# Certification Regarding Prohibition of Certain Terrorist Organizations (Tex. Gov. Code 2270)

Vendor certifies that Vendor is not a company identified on the Texas Comptroller's list of companies known to have contracts with, or provide supplies or services to, a foreign organization designated as a Foreign Terrorist Organization by the U.S. Secretary of State.

Does Vendor certify?

Yes

# Certification Regarding Prohibition of Boycotting Israel (Tex. Gov. Code 2271)

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

When applicable, does Vendor certify?

# Certification Regarding Prohibition of Contracts with Certain Foreign-Owned Companies (Tex. Gov. Code 2274)

Certain public entities are prohibited from entering into a contract or other agreement relating to critical infrastructure that would grant Vendor direct or remote access to or control of critical infrastructure in this state, excluding access specifically allowed by a customer for product warranty and support purposes.

Vendor certifies that neither it nor its parent company nor any affiliate of Vendor or its parent company, is (1) owned by or the majority of stock or other ownership interest of the company is held or controlled by individuals who are citizens of China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, or a designated country; (2) a company or other entity, including governmental entity, that is owned or controlled by citizens of or is directly controlled by the government of China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, or a designated country; or (3) headquartered in China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, or a designated country.

For purposes of this certification, "critical infrastructure" means "a communication infrastructure system, cybersecurity system, electric grid, hazardous waste treatment system, or water treatment facility." Vendor certifies that Vendor will not grant direct or remote access to or control of critical infrastructure, except for product warranty and support purposes, to prohibited individuals, companies, or entities, including governmental entities, owned, controlled, or headquartered in China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, or a designated country, as determined by the Governor.

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# 6 Certification Regarding Prohibition of Discrimination Against Firearm and Ammunition Industries (Tex. Gov. Code 2274)

If (a) Vendor is not a sole proprietorship; (b) Vendor has at least ten (10) full-time employees; and (c) this Agreement or any Supplemental Agreement with certain public entities have a value of at least \$100,000 that is paid wholly or partly from public funds; (d) the Agreement is not excepted under Tex. Gov. Code 2274 and (e) the purchasing public entity has determined that Vendor is not a sole-source provider or the purchasing public entity has not received any bids from a company that is able to provide this written verification, the following certification shall apply; otherwise, this certification is not required.

Vendor certifies that Vendor, or association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or limited liability company, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary parent company, or affiliate of these entities or associations, that exists to make a profit, does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association and will not discriminate during the term of this contract against a firearm entity or firearm trade association.

For purposes of this Agreement, "discriminate against a firearm entity or firearm trade association" shall mean, with respect to the entity or association, to: "(1) refuse to engage in the trade of any goods or services with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association; (2) refrain from continuing an existing business relationship with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association; or (3) terminate an existing business relationship with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association."

"Discrimination against a firearm entity or firearm trade association" does not include: "(1) the established policies of a merchant, retail seller, or platform that restrict or prohibit the listing or selling of ammunition, firearms, or firearm accessories; and (2) a company's refusal to engage in the trade of any goods or services, decision to refrain from continuing an existing business relationship, or decision to terminate an existing business relationship to comply with federal, state, or local law, policy, or regulations or a directive by a regulatory agency, or for any traditional business reason that is specific to the customer or potential customer and not based solely on an entity's or association's status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association."

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#### Certification Regarding Termination of Contract for Non-Compliance (Tex. Gov. Code 552.374)

If Vendor is not a governmental body and (a) this Agreement or any Supplemental Agreement with a public entity has a stated expenditure of at least \$1 million in public funds for the purchase of goods or services by certain public entities; or (b) this Agreement or any Supplemental Agreement results in the expenditure of at least \$1 million in public funds for the purchase of goods or services by certain public entities in their fiscal year, the following certification shall apply; otherwise, this certification is not required.

As required by Tex. Gov. Code 552.374, the following statement is included in the RFP and the Agreement (unless the Agreement is (1) related to the purchase or underwriting of a public security; (2) is or may be used as collateral on a loan; or (3) proceeds from which are used to pay debt service of a public security of loan): "The requirements of Subchapter J, Chapter 552, Government Code, may apply to this solicitation and Agreement and the Vendor agrees that this Agreement and any applicable Supplemental Agreement can be terminated if Vendor knowingly or intentionally fails to comply with a requirement of that subchapter."

Pursuant to Chapter 552 of the Texas Government Code, Vendor certifies that Vendor shall: (1) preserve all contracting information related to this Agreement as provided by the records retention requirements applicable to TIPS or the purchasing TIPS Member for the duration of the Agreement; (2) promptly provide to TIPS or the purchasing TIPS Member any contracting information related to the Agreement that is in the custody or possession of Vendor on request of TIPS or the purchasing TIPS Member; and (3) on completion of the Agreement, either (a) provide at no cost to TIPS or the purchasing TIPS Member all contracting information related to the Agreement that is in the custody or possession of Vendor, or (b) preserve the contracting information related to the Agreement as provided by the records retention requirements applicable to TIPS or the purchasing TIPS Member.

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# Certification Regarding Prohibition of Boycotting Certain Energy Companies (Tex. Gov. Code 2274)

If (a) Vendor is not a sole proprietorship; (b) Vendor has ten (10) or more full-time employees; and (c) this Agreement or any Supplemental Agreement with certain public entities has a value of \$100,000 or more that is to be paid wholly or partly from public funds, the following certification shall apply; otherwise, this certification is not required.

Vendor certifies that Vendor, or any wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company, or affiliate of these entities or business associations, if any, do not boycott energy companies and will not boycott energy companies during the term of the Agreement or any applicable Supplemental Agreement.

For purposes of this certification the term "company" shall mean an organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or limited liability company, that exists to make a profit.

The term "boycott energy company" shall mean "without an ordinary business purpose, refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations with a company because the company (a) engages in the exploration, production, utilization, transportation, sale, or manufacturing of fossil fuel-based energy and does not commit or pledge to meet environmental standards beyond applicable federal and state law, or (b) does business with a company described by paragraph (a)." (See Tex. Gov. Code 809.001).

When applicable, does Vendor certify?

Yes

# Felony Conviction Notice - Texas Education Code 44.034

Texas Education Code, Section 44.034, Notification of Criminal History, Subsection (a), states, "a person or business entity that enters into a contract with a school district must give advance notice to the district if the person or an owner or operator of the business entity has been convicted of a felony. The notice must include a general description of the conduct resulting in the conviction of a felony."

Subsection (b) states, "a school district may terminate a contract with a person or business entity if the district determines that the person or business entity failed to give notice as required by Subsection (a) or misrepresented the conduct resulting in the conviction. The district must compensate the person or business entity for services performed before the termination of the contract."

Subsection (c) states, "This section does not apply to a publicly held corporation.

Vendor certifies one of the following:

- A. My firm is a publicly held corporation; therefore, this reporting requirement is not applicable, or;
- B. My firm is not owned nor operated by anyone who has been convicted of a felony, or;
- C. My firm is owned or operated by the following individual(s) who has/have been convicted of a felony.

If Vendor responds with Option (C), Vendor is required to provide information in the next attribute.

B. My firm is not owned nor operated by felon.

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If Vendor selected Option (C) in the previous attribute, Vendor must provide the following information herein:

- 1. Name of Felon(s)
- 2. The Felon(s) title/role in Vendor's entity, and
- 3. Details of Felon(s) Conviction(s).

Not Applicable as Option B was selected for Item #63.

## **Conflict of Interest Questionnaire Requirement**

Vendor agrees that it has looked up, read, and understood the current version of Texas Local Government Code Chapter 176 which generally requires disclosures of conflicts of interests by Vendor hereunder if Vendor:

- (1) has an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer of our local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A);
- (2) has given a local government officer of our local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, one or more gifts with the aggregate value specified by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding any gift described by Section 176.003(a-1); or
- (3) has a family relationship with a local government officer of our local governmental entity.
- (4) Any other financial, commercial, or familial relationship with our local government that may warrant reporting under this statute.

Does Vendor certify that it has NO reportable conflict of interest?

Yes

# Conflict of Interest Questionnaire Requirement - Form CIQ - Continued

If you responded "No, Vendor does not certify - VENDOR HAS CONFLICT" to the Conflict of Interest Questionnaire question above, you are required by law to fully execute and upload the form attachment entitled "Conflict of Interest Questionnaire - Form CIQ." If you accurately claimed no conflict above, you may disregard the form attachment entitled "Conflict of Interest Questionnaire - Form CIQ." Have you uploaded this form if applicable?

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Not Applicable

# 6 Upload of Current W-9 Required

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

You must confirm that you are responding to this solicitation under your legal entity name. Go now to your Supplier Profile in this eBid System and confirm that your profile reflects your "Legal Name" as it is listed on your W9.

# 6 Regulatory Good Standing Certification

Does Vendor certify that its entity is in good standing will all government entities and agencies, whether local, state, or federal, that regulate any aspect of Vendor's field of work or business operations?

If Vendor selects "No", Vendor must provide explanation on the following attribute question.

Yes

## **Regulatory Good Standing Certification - Explanation - Continued**

If Vendor responded to the prior attribute that "No", Vendor is not in good standing, Vendor must provide an explanation of that lack of good standing here for TIPS consideration.

Not applicable, as vendor certifies YES to Item #68

# 7 Instructions Only - Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion Instructions for Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion

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

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Read the instructions in the attribute above and then answer the following accurately.

Vendor certifies that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

Does Vendor certify?

Yes

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## **Vendor Certification of Criminal History - Texas Education Code Chapter 22**

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 pursuant to this law.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

**Covered employees:** Employees of a contractor or subcontractor who have or will have continuing duties related to the service to be performed at the District and have or will have direct contact with students. The District will be the final arbiter of what constitutes direct contact with students.

**Disqualifying criminal history:** Any conviction or other criminal history information designated by the District, or one of the following offenses, if at the time of the offense, the victim was under 18 or enrolled in a public school: (a) a felony offense under Title 5, Texas Penal Code; (b) an offense for which a defendant is required to register as a sex offender under Chapter 62, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure; or (c) an equivalent offense under federal law or the laws of another state.

#### **Vendor certifies:**

**NONE (Section A):** None of the employees of Vendor 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 Vendor and any subcontractor will not become covered employees. Contractor will maintain these precautions or conditions throughout the time the contracted services are provided under this procurement.

#### OR

**SOME (Section B):** Some or all of the employees of Vendor and any subcontractor are covered employees. If this box is checked, I further certify that: (1) Vendor has obtained all required criminal history record information regarding its covered employees. None of the covered employees has a disqualifying criminal history; (2) If Vendor receives information that a covered employee subsequently has a reported criminal history, Vendor will immediately remove the covered employee from contract duties and notify the purchasing entity in writing within 3 business days; (3) Upon request, Vendor will provide the purchasing entity with the name and any other requested information of covered employees so that the purchasing entity may obtain criminal history record information on the covered employees; (4) If the purchasing entity objects to the assignment of a covered employee on the basis of the covered employee's criminal history record information, Vendor agrees to discontinue using that covered employee to provide services at the purchasing entity.

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Certification Regarding "Choice of Law" Terms with TIPS Members
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Vendor agrees that if any "Choice of Law" provision is included in any sales agreement/contract between Vendor and a TIPS Member, that clause must provide that the "Choice of Law" applicable to the sales agreement/contract between Vendor and TIPS Member shall be the state where the TIPS Member operates unless the TIPS Member expressly agrees otherwise. Any TIPS Sale Supplemental Agreement containing a "Choice of Law" clause that conflicts with these terms is rendered void and unenforceable.

If Vendor disagrees, after this solicitation legally closes and TIPS begins evaluating Vendor's file, TIPS will provide Vendor with a draft Word Document version of the Vendor Agreement and will be instructed to include all requested negotiations as redline edits for TIPS consideration.

Does Vendor agree?

Yes	
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# 7 Certification Regarding "Venue" Terms with TIPS Members

Vendor agrees that if any "Venue" provision is included in any sales agreement/contract between Vendor and a TIPS Member, that clause must provide that the "Venue" for any litigation or alternative dispute resolution is shall be in the state and county where the TIPS Member operates unless the TIPS Member expressly agrees otherwise. Any TIPS Sale Supplemental Agreement containing a "Venue" clause that conflicts with these terms is rendered void and unenforceable.

If Vendor disagrees, after this solicitation legally closes and TIPS begins evaluating Vendor's file, TIPS will provide Vendor with a draft Word Document version of the Vendor Agreement and will be instructed to include all requested negotiations as redline edits for TIPS consideration.

Does Vendor agree?

Yes

# Certification Regarding "Automatic Renewal" Terms with TIPS Members

Vendor agrees that no TIPS Sale may incorporate an "Automatic Renewal" clause that exceeds month to month terms with which the TIPS Member must comply. All renewal terms incorporated into a TIPS Sale Supplemental Agreement shall only be valid and enforceable when Vendor received written confirmation of acceptance of the renewal term from the TIPS Member for the specific renewal term. The purpose of this clause is to avoid a TIPS Member inadvertently renewing a Supplemental 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. Any TIPS Sale Supplemental Agreement containing an "Automatic Renewal" clause that conflicts with these terms is rendered void and unenforceable.

If Vendor disagrees, after this solicitation legally closes and TIPS begins evaluating Vendor's file, TIPS will provide Vendor with a draft Word Document version of the Vendor Agreement and will be instructed to include all requested negotiations as redline edits for TIPS consideration.

Does Vendor agree?

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### Certification Regarding "Indemnity" Terms with TIPS Members

Texas and other jurisdictions restrict the ability of governmental entities to indemnify others. Vendor agrees that if any "Indemnity" provision which requires the TIPS Member to indemnify Vendor is included in any sales agreement/contract between Vendor and a TIPS Member, that clause must either be stricken or qualified by including that such indemnity is only permitted, "to the extent permitted by the laws and constitution of [TIPS Member's State]" unless the TIPS Member expressly agrees otherwise. Any TIPS Sale Supplemental Agreement containing an "Indemnity" clause that conflicts with these terms is rendered void and unenforceable.

If Vendor disagrees, after this solicitation legally closes and TIPS begins evaluating Vendor's file, TIPS will provide Vendor with a draft Word Document version of the Vendor Agreement and will be instructed to include all requested negotiations as redline edits for TIPS consideration.

Does Vendor agree?

Yes
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### **7** Certification Regarding "Arbitration" Terms with TIPS Members

Vendor agrees that if any "Arbitration" provision is included in any TIPS Sale agreement/contract between Vendor and a TIPS Member, that clause may *not* require that the arbitration is mandatory or binding. Vendor agrees that if any "Arbitration" provision is included in any TIPS Sale agreement/contract between Vendor and a TIPS Member, that clause provides for only voluntary and non-binding arbitration unless the TIPS Member expressly agrees otherwise. Any TIPS Sale Supplemental Agreement containing a "Arbitration" clause that conflicts with these terms is rendered void and unenforceable.

If Vendor disagrees, after this solicitation legally closes and TIPS begins evaluating Vendor's file, TIPS will provide Vendor with a draft Word Document version of the Vendor Agreement and will be instructed to include all requested negotiations as redline edits for TIPS consideration.

Does Vendor agree?

Yes

### 2 CFR PART 200 AND FEDERAL CONTRACT PROVISIONS EXPLANATION

TIPS and TIPS Members will sometimes seek to make purchases with federal funds. In accordance with 2 C.F.R. Part 200 of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (sometimes referred to as "EDGAR"), Vendor's response to the following questions labeled "2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision" will indicate Vendor's willingness and ability to comply with certain requirements which may be applicable to TIPS purchases paid for with federal funds, if accepted by Vendor.

Your responses to the following questions labeled "2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision" will dictate whether TIPS can list this awarded contract as viable to be considered for a federal fund purchase. Failure to certify all requirements labeled "2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision" will mean that your contract is listed as not viable for the receipt of federal funds. However, it will not prevent award.

If you do enter into a TIPS Sale when you are accepting federal funds, the contract between you and the TIPS Member will likely require these same certifications.

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#### 2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Vendor Willingness to Accept Federal Funds

This certification is not required by federal law. However, TIPS Members are public entities and qualifying non-profits which often receive federal funding and grants (ESSER, CARES Act, EDGAR, etc.) *Accepting such funds often requires additional required certifications and responsibilities for Vendor.* The following attribute questions include these required certifications. Your response to this questions, the following certifications, and other factors will determine whether your contract award will be deemed as eligible for federal fund expenditures by TIPS Members.

If awarded, is Vendor willing to accept payment for goods and services offered under this contract paid for by a TIPS Member with federal funds?

Yes

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#### 2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Contracts

Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$250,000 (2 CFR § 200.320), which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate.

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

Does vendor agree?

Yes

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#### 2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Termination

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

Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members reserve 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 reserve 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?

#### 2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Clean Air Act

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).

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

Does vendor agree?

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### 2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment

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

Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members require the proposer certify that during the term and during the life of any contract with ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members resulting from this procurement process the vendor certifies that it is in compliance with all applicable provisions of the Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352).

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#### 2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment - Continued

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

Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction and is imposed by the Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352). 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.

Does Vendor certify that it has NOT lobbied as described herein?

Yes

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### 2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment - Continued

If you answered "No, Vendor does not certify - Lobbying to Report" to the above attribute question, you must download, read, execute, and upload the attachment entitled "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities - Standard Form - LLL", as instructed, to report the lobbying activities you performed or paid others to perform.

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#### 2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Federal Rule

Compliance with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857(h)), section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR part 15). (Contracts, subcontracts, and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$100,000)

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

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#### 2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Procurement of Recovered Materials

A non-Federal entity that is a state agency or agency of a political subdivision of a state and its contractors must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include: (1) procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; (2) procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

Does vendor certify that it is in compliance with these provisions?

Yes
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#### 2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Rights to Inventions

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

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

Does vendor certify?

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# 2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Domestic Preferences for Procurements and Compliance with Buy America Provisions

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

Vendor certifies that it is in compliance with all applicable provisions of the Buy America Act. Purchases made in accordance with the Buy America Act must still follow the applicable procurement rules calling for free and open competition. For purposes of 2 CFR Part 200.322,

"Produced in the United States" means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.

"Manufactured products" means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

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

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ESC 8 and TIPS Members are prohibited from obligating or expending Federal financial assistance, to include loan or grant funds, to: (1) procure or obtain, (2) extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain, or (3) enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain, equipment, services, or systems that use "covered telecommunications" equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. "Covered telecommunications" equipment is telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities), and physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure and other national security purposes, and video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities) for the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes detailed in 2 CFR § 200.216.

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

Does vendor certify?

Yes

#### 2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Contract Cost & Price

For contracts more than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$250,000, a TIPS Member may, in very rare circumstances, be required to negotiate profit as a separate element of the price pursuant to 2 C.F.R. 200.324(b). Under those circumstances, Vendor agrees to provide information and negotiate with the TIPS Member regarding profit as a separate element of the price. However, Vendor certifies that the total price charged by the Vendor shall not exceed the Vendor's TIPS pricing and pricing terms proposed.

Does Vendor certify?

Yes

### 2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Equal Employment Opportunity

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

Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members on any federally assisted construction contract, the equal

opportunity clause is incorporated by reference here.

Does Vendor Certify?

#### 2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Davis Bacon Act Compliance

Texas Statute requires compliance with Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148). When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction"). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non- Federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency. The contracts must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.

Pursuant to state and federal requirements, Vendor certifies that it will be in compliance with all applicable Davis-Bacon Act provisions if/when applicable.

Does Vendor certify?

Yes

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### 2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards

Where applicable, all contracts awarded by ESC 8 and TIPS Members in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.

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

Does Vendor certify?

### 2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - FEMA Fund Certification & Certification of Access to Records

If and when Vendor accepts a TIPS purchase paid for in full or part with FEMA funds, Vendor certifies that:

- (1) Vendor agrees to provide the TIPS Member, the FEMA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to and rights to reproduce any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract, or any contract resulting from this procurement, for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. This right also includes timely and reasonable access to Vendor's personnel for the purpose of interview and discussion relating to such documents. Vendor agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator or an authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract. Vendor acknowledges and agrees that no language in this contract or the contract with the TIPS Member is intended to prohibit audits or internal reviews by the FEMA Administrator or the Comptroller General of the United States.
- (2) The Vendor shall not use the Department of Homeland Security's seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific FEMA pre-approval.
- (3) The Vendor will comply with all applicable Federal law, regulations, executive orders, FEMA policies, procedures, and directives.
- (4) The Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.
- (5) The Vendor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the Vendor's actions pertaining to this contract.

Does Vendor certify?

Yes, Vendor certifies

# 2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Certification of Compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act

When appropriate and to the extent consistent with the law, Vendor certifies that it will comply with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6321 et seq; 49 C.F.R. Part 18) and any state mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in applicable state energy conservation plans issued in compliance with the Act.

Does Vendor certify?

9	2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Certification of Compliance with Never Contract with the Enemy
7	Where applicable, all contracts awarded by ESC 8 and TIPS Members in excess of \$50,000.00, within the period of performance, and which are performed outside of the United States, including U.S. territories, are subject to the regulations implementing Never Contract with the Enemy in 2 CFR part 183. Per 2 CFR part 183, in the situation specified, ESC 8 and TIPS Members shall terminate any contract or agreement resulting from this procurement which violates the Never Contract with the Enemy regulation in 2 CFR part 183, including if Vendor is actively opposing the United States or coalition forces involved in a contingency operation in which members of the the Armed Forces are actively engaged in hostilities. Vendor certifies that it is neither an excluded entity under the System for Award Management (SAM) nor Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIIS) for any contract terminated due to Never Contract with the Enemy as a Termination for Material Failure to Comply.
	Does Vendor certify?  Yes
9	2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Certification of Compliance with EPA Regulations
O	For contracts resulting from this procurement, in excess of \$100,000.00 and paid for with federal funds, Vendor certifies that Vendor will comply with all applicable standards, orders, regulations, and/or requirements issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act of 1970, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1857(h)), Section 508 of the Clean Water Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 117389 and Environmental Protection Agency Regulation, 40 CFR Part 15.
	Does Vendor certify?
	Yes
9	2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Record Retention Requirements
9	For contracts resulting from this procurement, paid for by ESC 8 or TIPS Members with federal funds, Vendor certifies that Vendor will comply with the record retention requirements detailed in 2 CFR § 200.334. Vendor certifies that Vendor will retain all records as required by 2 CFR § 200.334 for a period of three years after final expenditure or financial reports, as applicable, and all other pending matters are closed.
	Does Vendor certify?
	Yes Yerdor certify:
1	2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - Subcontracting and Affirmative Steps for Small and Minority
0	Businesses, Women's Business Enterprises, and Labor Surplus Area Firms.
U	Do you ever anticipate the possibility of subcontracting any of your work under this award if you are successful?
	If you respond "Yes", you must respond to the following attribute question accurately. If you respond "No", you may skip the following attribute question.
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2 CFR Part 200 or Federal Provision - If "Yes" Response to Above Attribute - Continued - Subcontracting and Affirmative Steps for Small and Minority Businesses, Women's Business Enterprises, and Labor Surplus Area Firms.

Only respond to this question if you responded "Yes" to the attribute question directly above. Skip this question if you responded "No" to the attribute question directly above.

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

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

Does Vendor certify?

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#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT & BINDING CORPORATE AUTHORITY**

By submitting this proposal, the individual(s) submitting on behalf of the Vendor certify that they are authorized by Vendor to complete and submit this proposal on behalf of Vendor and that this proposal was duly submitted on behalf of Vendor by authority of its governing body, if any, and within the scope of its corporate powers.

Vendor further certifies that it has read, examined, and understands all portions of this solicitation including but not limited to all attribute questions, attachments, solicitation documents, bid notes, and the Vendor Agreement(s). Vendor certifies that, if necessary, Vendor has consulted with counsel in understanding all portions of this solicitation.

TIPS 230104 Trades,

Labor, and Materials (2 Sabelhaus West, Inc.

Part with JOC)

### TIPS REFERENCE FORM

All requested information must be typed and uploaded in Excel format. TIPS will reach out via the emails provided so please ensure that they are typed and accurate. Do not handwrite or upload in any format other than Excel. Emails provided must be current and active. Do not include TIPS/Region 8 employees as a

government or non-profit entities, who have purchased goods or services from your vendor entity within the

Customer Entity Name	Customer Contact Name	Valid Contact Email	Valid Contact Phone
Customer Entity (vame	Michael Corelli, Small Works	varia Contact Eman	T Hone
Kent School District	Planner, Capital Planning	michael.corelli@kent.k12.wa.us	(253) 373-7198
	Chris Walton, Foreman Facilities		
Shelton School District	& Operations	cwalton@sheltonschools.org	(360) 426-6322
	Jennifer Gemmill, PMP Facilities		
Olympic College	Services	jgemmill@olympic.edu	(360) 475-7819
	Bill Laubner, Director of		
Chimacum School District	Maintenance	bill_laubner@cscd49.org	(360) 302-5982
	Christina Reagle, Contracts &		
Federal Way Public Schools	Distribution Center Manager	creagle@fwps.com	(253) 945-5959

# TIPS CONTRACT 230104

#### REQUIRED CONFIDENTIALITY CLAIM FORM

(VENDOR MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLO	WING VENDOR INFORMAT	TION)
Vendor Entity Name: Sabelhaus West, Inc.		
Vendor Authorized Signatory Name: Nick Sabelhaus		
Vendor Authorized Signatory Title: President		
Vendor Authorized Signatory Email: nsabelhaus@sabelha	uswest.com	
Vendor Address: 10880 Old Frontier Rd NW		
City: Silverdale	State: WA	Zip Code: 98383
Vendor agrees that it is voluntarily providing its data (including but not lin proposal, Vendor pricing submitted or provided to TIPS, TIPS contract Vendor's contact information, Vendor's brochures and commercia certifications, and any other Vendor information or documentation submid Data") to TIPS. Vendor understands and agrees that TIPS is a governmelimited to Texas Government Code (TGC) Chapter 552. Vendor agrees submission of a proposal constitutes Vendor's consent to the disclosur including any information deemed confidential or proprietary herein, to a	documents, TIPS correspond al information, Vendor's f itted to TIPS by Vendor and ent entity subject to public in hat regardless of confidential e and release of Vendor's Da	dence, Vendor logos and images, inancial information, Vendor's its agents) (Hereinafter, "Vendor formation laws including but not ity designations herein, Vendor's

Notwithstanding the foregoing permissible release to TIPS Members, if Vendor considers any portion of Vendor's proposal to be otherwise confidential and not subject to public disclosure pursuant to public information laws, including but not limited to TGC Chapter 552, Vendor must properly execute *Option 1 only* below, attach to this PDF all documents and information that Vendor deems confidential, and upload the consolidated documentation. Regardless of the Option selected below, this form must be completed and uploaded to the "Response Attachments" section of the eBid System entitled "Required Confidentiality Claim Form." Execution and submission of this form is the sole indicator of whether Vendor considers any Vendor Data confidential in the event TIPS receives a request, a Public Information Request, or subpoena. If TIPS receives a request, any responsive documentation not deemed confidential by you through proper execution of Option 1 of this form will be automatically released. For information deemed confidential by you through proper execution of Option 1 of this form, TIPS will follow procedures of controlling statute(s) regarding withholding that documentation and shall not be liable for any release of information required by law, including Attorney General opinion or court order.

(VENDOR MUST COMPLETE ONE OF THE TWO OPTIONS AND UPLOAD IN THE EBID SYSTEM)

# OPTION 1 – DESIGNATING CONFIDENTIAL MATERIALS – YES, VENDOR HAS ATTACHED CONFIDENTIAL MATERIALS

(Confirm each bullet point and sign below)

- Vendor claims some Vendor Data confidential to the extent permitted by TGC Chapter 552 and other applicable law.
- Vendor attached to this PDF all potentially confidential Vendor Data and listed the number of attached pages below.
- Vendor's authorized signatory has signed below and shall upload this document in the proper location in the eBid System.
- Vendor agrees that TIPS shall not be liable for any release of confidential information required by law.

Number of pages attached deemed confidential:	
Authorized Signature:	

# OPTION 2 – WAIVER OF CONFIDENTIALITY – NO, VENDOR HAS NOT ATTACHED CONFIDENTIAL MATERIALS

(Confirm each bullet point and sign below)

By signing for Option 2 below, Vendor expressly waives any confidentiality claim for all Vendor Data submitted in relation to this proposal and resulting contract. Vendor confirms that TIPS may freely release Vendor Data submitted in relation to this proposal or resulting contract to any requestor. Vendor agrees that TIPS shall not be responsible or liable for any use or distribution of Vendor Data by TIPS or TIPS Members.

- Vendor's authorized signatory has signed below and shall upload this document in the proper location in the eBid System.
- •Vendor agrees that TIPS shall not be liable for any release of confidential information required by law.



### **Liberty Mutual Surety**

Erik Rolfness Bond Manager

1001 4th Avenue, Suite 1300 SEATTLE, WA 98154 206-473-3637 Erik.Rolfness@LibertyMutual.com

January 17, 2023

The Interlocal Purchasing System 4845 Highway 271 North Pittsburg, TX 75686

Re: Sabelhaus West, Inc. Bond Capacity Letter

#### To Whom It May Concern

This letter is to inform you that Liberty Mutual Surety is the bonding company for Sabelhaus West, Inc. and has been since 2016. We have a favorable relationship with Sabelhaus West, Inc. and have every confidence in this organization's ability and have never had any performance issues with them in the past. We would consider bond requests in excess of \$3.5 million single / \$10 million aggregate ranges.

As always, Liberty Mutual Surety reserves the right to perform normal underwriting at the time of any bond request, including, without limitation; prior review and approval of relevant contract documents, bond forms, and project financing.

Liberty Mutual Surety, a member of Liberty Mutual Group, has various companies duly authorized to do business in all 50 States of the US; and are listed on the US Department of Treasury's Listing of Certified Companies; and have an AM Best Rating of "A". (To include The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company).

Any arrangements for the final bond or bonds is a matter between the contractor and the surety and that Liberty Mutual Surety will assume no liability to any third parties, if for any reason we do not execute said bond or bonds.

Sincerely, Liberty Mutual Surety

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Erik B. Rolfness Bond Manager

**Member of Liberty Mutual Group** 

#### **VENDOR SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION**

TIPS permits Vendors to submit supplemental documentation and information ("Vendor Supplemental Information") with their proposals to display to TIPS Member Customers their qualifications, offerings, and special terms. The following documents are for marketing and informational purposes only. They are not terms of Vendor's TIPS Contract. If the Vendor Supplemental Information herein contains any warranties, terms, or conditions, the TIPS Member Customer may review and determine whether or not those are applicable and acceptable for any TIPS purchase before proceeding. If the Vendor Supplemental Information contains any licenses or certificates, TIPS encourages the TIPS Member Customer to ensure current accuracy at the time of a TIPS purchase.





### **Painting/Coatings Applicator**

- Government
- Commercial
- Retail
- Residential
- QP 1 & QS 1 Certified



### • NAICS Code: 238320

- SMALL BUSINESS
- UEI V6AAEM8L3RH8
- Cage Code: 1Y9Y1
- Contractor's License: SABELWI975R2
- TIN/EIN: 86-1052203
- WA State UBI: 602 176 261

### **Services**

- Interior/Exterior Painting
- Anti-Graffiti
- Anti-Microbial Coatings
- Clear Finishes
- Drywall Patching
- Floor, Epoxy Coatings
- Historical Restoration

- Lead & Asbestos Encapsulation
- Lead Renovation, Repair Painting Firm, WA #R1869
- Sealants-Brick, Sandstone, Limestone
- Sealers/Expansion Joints
- Wall Covering

- Bridge Work
- Confined Space
- Epoxy Urethane
- Fuel, Tank/Pipeline

"Since 1987"

- Marine Coatings
- Piling Work
- Sandblasting
- Water Tanks

Contact: Nick Sabelhaus

Cell: 360-731-9010 / Fax: 360-662-9866

10880 Old Frontier Rd NW

Silverdale, WA 98383

Email: office@sabelhauswest.com

www.sabelhauswest.com







Company ID Number: 202609

Information Required for the E-Verify Program		
Information relating to your Company:		
Company Name	Sabelhaus West, Inc.	
Company Facility Address	10890 Old Frontier Road Silverdale, WA 98383	
Company Alternate Address	10880 Old Frontier Rd NW Silverdale, WA 98383	
County or Parish	KITSAP	
Employer Identification Number	861052203	
North American Industry Classification Systems Code	238	
Parent Company		
Number of Employees	20 to 99	
Number of Sites Verified for	1 site(s)	



### **BUSINESS LICENSE**

**Profit Corporation** 

Issue Date: Dec 30, 2022

Unified Business ID #: 602176261

Business ID #: 001 Location: 0001

Expires: Jan 31, 2024

SABELHAUS WEST, INC. 10880 OLD FRONTIER RD NW SILVERDALE WA 98383-8891

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE - ACTIVE TAX REGISTRATION - ACTIVE

INDUSTRIAL INSURANCE - ACTIVE

#### CITY ENDORSEMENTS:

BAINBRIDGE ISLAND GENERAL BUSINESS #42304 - ACTIVE
SHELTON GENERAL BUSINESS - NON-RESIDENT #0070380 - ACTIVE
BELLINGHAM GENERAL BUSINESS #025643 - ACTIVE
LACEY GENERAL BUSINESS - NON-RESIDENT #203082 - ACTIVE
OLYMPIA GENERAL BUSINESS - NON-RESIDENT #18878 - ACTIVE
PORT ORCHARD GENERAL BUSINESS - NON-RESIDENT #B006018 - ACTIVE
POULSBO GENERAL BUSINESS - NON-RESIDENT - ACTIVE
TUMWATER GENERAL BUSINESS - NON-RESIDENT #R-017315 - ACTIVE
FEDERAL WAY GENERAL BUSINESS - NON-RESIDENT - ACTIVE
BURIEN GENERAL BUSINESS - NON-RESIDENT (EXPIRES 6/30/2023) - ACTIVE
BREMERTON GENERAL BUSINESS - NON-RESIDENT #17379 - ACTIVE
OAK HARBOR GENERAL BUSINESS - NON-RESIDENT #BL-006222 - ACTIVE

#### LICENSING RESTRICTIONS:

Not licensed to hire minors without a Minor Work Permit.

This document lists the registrations, endorsements, and licenses authorized for the business named above. By accepting this document, the licensee certifies the information on the application was complete, true, and accurate to the best of his or her knowledge, and that business will be conducted in compliance with all applicable Washington state, county, and city regulations.

John Ryser
Director, Department of Revenue

UBI: 602176261 001 0001

SABELHAUS WEST, INC. 10880 OLD FRONTIER RD NW SILVERDALE WA 98383-8891 STATE OF WASHINGTON

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SABELHAUS WEST, INC. 10880 OLD FRONTIER RD NW SILVERDALE WA 98383-8891

REGISTERED TRADE NAMES:
SABELHAUS PAINTING
SABELHAUS WEST
SABELHAUS WEST PAINTING
SABELHAUS WEST, INC.
SWI
SWP

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#### **IMPORTANT!**

# PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CAREFULLY BEFORE POSTING THIS LICENSE

#### **General Information**

Post this Business License in a visible location at your place of business.

If you were issued a Business License previously, destroy the old one and post this one in its place.

Login to My DOR at <u>dor.wa.gov</u> if you need to make changes to your business name, location, mailing address, telephone number, or business ownership.

Telephone: 360-705-6741

#### **Endorsements**

All endorsements should be renewed by the expiration date that appears on the front of this license to avoid any late fees.

If there is no expiration date, the endorsements remain active as long as you continue required reporting. Tax Registration, Unemployment Insurance, and Industrial Insurance endorsements require you to submit periodic reports. Each agency will send you the necessary reporting forms and instructions.

For assistance or to request this document in an alternate format, visit http://business.wa.gov/BLS or call (360) 705-6741. Teletype (TTY) users may use the Washington Relay Service by calling 711.

BLS-700-107 (07/27/20)



#### Department of Labor & Industries

# Certificate of Workers' Compensation Coverage

February 14, 2023

WA UBI No.	602 176 261
L&I Account ID	557,626-02
Legal Business Name	SABELHAUS WEST INC
Doing Business As	SABELHAUS WEST INC
Workers' Comp Premium Status:	Account is current.
Estimated Workers Reported (See Description Below)	Quarter 4 of Year 2022 "51 to 75 Workers"
Account Representative	Employer Services Help Line, (360) 902-4817
Licensed Contractor?	Yes
License No.	SABELWI975R2
License Expiration	12/22/2023

# What does "Estimated Workers Reported" mean?

Estimated workers reported represents the number of full time position requiring at least 480 hours of work per calendar quarter. A single 480 hour position may be filled by one person, or several part time workers.

#### **Industrial Insurance Information**

Employers report and pay premiums each quarter based on hours of employee work already performed, and are liable for premiums found later to be due. Industrial insurance accounts have no policy periods, cancellation dates, limitations of coverage or waiver of subrogation (See RCW 51.12.050 and 51.16.190).

Department of Labor and Industries PO Box 44450 Olympia, WA 98504-4450

SABELHAUS WEST INC 10880 OLD FRONTIER ROAD SILVERDALE WA 98383 SABELHAUS WEST INC

Reg: CC SABELWI975R2 UBI: 602-176-261

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Registered as provided by Law as: Construction Contractor (CC01) - GENERAL

Effective Date: 12/22/2003 Expiration Date: 12/22/2023



Sabelhaus West, Inc. of Silverdale, WA

has met or exceeded the requirements set forth in the AMPP QP Accreditation Program for

# FIELD APPLICATION OF COATINGS COMPLEX STRUCTURES SSPC – QP1



Helena Sulinger
Executive Director, AMPP

March 31, 2022 – March 31, 2023

Validation Period



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Helena Sulinger
Executive Director, AMPP

March 31, 2023 – March 31, 2024

Validation Period

Accreditation for dates listed above to Sabelhaus West, Inc. Silverdale, WA Owners are advised to contact qpinfo@ampp.org to verify authenticity of accreditation.



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SSPC – QS 1



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Executive Director, AMPP

March 31, 2023 – March 31, 2024

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Corporate Headquarters: Houston – 15835 Park Ten Place, Houston, TX 77084 Pittsburgh – 800 Trumbull Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15205

representative will have all your rights and duties under this insurance.

- 4. Any organization, other than a partnership, joint venture or limited liability company, of which you are the sole owner, or in which you maintain an ownership interest of more than 50%, on the first day of the policy period is an insured and will qualify as a Named Insured. No such organization is an insured or will qualify as a Named Insured for "bodily injury" or "property damage" that occurred, or "personal injury" or "advertising injury" caused by an offense committed after the date, if any, during the policy period, that you no longer maintain an ownership interest of more than 50% in such organization.
- 5. Any organization you newly acquire or form, other than a partnership, joint venture or limited liability company, and of which you are the sole owner, or in which you maintain an ownership interest of more than 50%, is an insured and will qualify as a Named Insured if there is no other similar insurance available to that organization. However:
  - a. Coverage under this provision is afforded only until the 180<sup>th</sup> day after you acquire or form the organization or the end of the policy period, whichever is earlier; and
  - **b.** Coverage for such organization does not apply to:
    - (1) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" that occurred; or
    - (2) "Personal injury" or "advertising injury" arising out of an offense committed;

before you acquired or formed the organization.

No person or organization is an insured or will qualify as a Named Insured with respect to the conduct of any current or past partnership, joint venture or limited liability company that is not shown as a Named Insured in the Declarations. This paragraph does not apply to any such partnership, joint venture or limited liability company that otherwise qualifies as an insured under Paragraph B. of SECTION II – WHO IS AN INSURED.

# C. COVERAGE C - CRISIS MANAGEMENT SERVICE EXPENSES

With respect to Coverage **C**, the following persons and organizations are insureds and will qualify as Named Insureds:

 The Named Insured shown in the Declarations.

- 2. Any organization, other than a partnership, joint venture or limited liability company, of which you are the sole owner, or in which you maintain an ownership interest of more than 50%, on the first day of the policy period. No such organization is an insured or will qualify as a Named Insured for "crisis management service expenses" arising out of a "crisis management event" that first commences after the date, if any, during the policy period, that you no longer maintain an ownership interest of more than 50% in such organization.
- 3. Any organization you newly acquire or form, other than a partnership, joint venture or limited liability company, and of which you are the sole owner, or in which you maintain an ownership interest of more than 50%, if there is no other similar insurance available to that organization. However:
  - a. Coverage under this provision is afforded only until the 180<sup>th</sup> day after you acquire or form the organization or the end of the policy period, whichever is earlier; and
  - b. Coverage for such organization does not apply to "crisis management service expenses" arising out of a "crisis management event" that occurred before you acquired or formed the organization, even if an "executive officer" only first becomes aware of an "event" or "occurrence" that leads to such "crisis management event" after the date you acquired or formed the organization.

No person or organization is an insured or will qualify as a Named Insured with respect to the conduct of any current or past partnership, joint venture or limited liability company that is not shown as a Named Insured in the Declarations.

#### **SECTION III – LIMITS OF INSURANCE**

- **A.** The Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations and the rules below fix the most we will pay for the amounts described below to which this insurance applies regardless of the number of:
  - 1. Insureds;
  - 2. Claims made or "suits" brought;
  - Number of vehicles involved;
  - **4.** Persons or organizations making claims or bringing "suits"; or
  - 5. Coverages provided under this insurance.

As indicated in Paragraph **D.1.** of **SECTION I – COVERAGES**, for any "suit" for which we have the right and duty to defend the insured under Coverage **A**, defense expenses will be within the

limits of insurance of this policy when such expenses are within the limits of insurance of the applicable "underlying insurance".

- **B.** The General Aggregate Limit is the most we will pay for the sum of all:
  - 1. Damages; and
  - **2.** Defense expenses if such expenses are within the limits of insurance of this policy;

#### except:

- Damages and defense expenses because of "bodily injury" or "property damage" included in the "auto hazard";
- 2. Damages and defense expenses because of "bodily injury" or "property damage" included in the "products-completed operations hazard": or
- 3. Damages and defense expenses for which insurance is provided under any Aircraft Liability coverage included as "underlying insurance" to which no aggregate limit applies.
- **C.** The Products-Completed Operations Aggregate Limit is the most we will pay for the sum of all:
  - 1. Damages; and
  - **2.** Defense expenses if such expenses are within the limits of insurance of this policy;

because of "bodily injury" or "property damage" included in the "products-completed operations hazard".

- **D.** Subject to Paragraph **B.** or **C.** above, whichever applies, the Occurrence Limit is the most we will pay for the sum of all:
  - Damages, and defense expenses if such expenses are within the limits of insurance of this policy, under Coverage A arising out of any one "event" to which the "underlying insurance" applies a limit of insurance that is separate from any aggregate limit of insurance; and
  - 2. Damages under Coverage **B** because of all "bodily injury", "property damage", "personal injury" or "advertising injury" arising out of any one "occurrence".

For the purposes of determining the applicable Occurrence Limit, all related acts or omissions committed in the providing or failing to provide first aid or "Good Samaritan services" to any one person will be considered one "occurrence".

E. The Crisis Management Service Expenses Limit is the most we will pay for the sum of all "crisis management service expenses" arising out of all "crisis management events". Payment of such "crisis management service expenses" is in addition to, and will not reduce, any other limit of insurance of this policy.

F. The limits of insurance of this policy apply separately to each consecutive annual period and to any remaining period of less than 12 months, starting with the beginning of the policy period shown in the Declarations. If the policy period is extended after issuance for an additional period of less than 12 months, the additional period will be deemed part of the last preceding period for purposes of determining the limits of insurance.

#### **SECTION IV - EXCLUSIONS**

This insurance does not apply to:

**A.** With respect to Coverage **A** and Coverage **B**:

#### 1. Asbestos

- a. Damages arising out of the actual or alleged presence or actual, alleged or threatened dispersal of asbestos, asbestos fibers or products containing asbestos, provided that the damages are caused or contributed to by the hazardous properties of asbestos.
- b. Damages arising out of the actual or alleged presence or actual, alleged or threatened dispersal of any solid, liquid, gaseous or thermal irritant or contaminant, including smoke, vapors, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals and waste, and that are part of any claim or "suit" which also alleges any damages described in Paragraph a. above.
- **c.** Any loss, cost or expense arising out of any:
  - (1) Request, demand, order or statutory or regulatory requirement that any insured or others test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of, asbestos, asbestos fibers or products containing asbestos; or
  - (2) Claim or "suit" by or on behalf of any governmental authority or any other person or organization because of testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying or neutralizing, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of, asbestos, asbestos fibers or products containing asbestos.

#### 2. Employment-Related Practices

Damages because of injury to:

- **a.** A person arising out of any:
  - (1) Refusal to employ that person:
  - (2) Termination of that person's employment; or

- (3) Employment-related practice, policy, act or omission, such as coercion, demotion, evaluation, reassignment, discipline, failure to promote or advance, harassment, humiliation, discrimination, libel, slander, violation of the person's right of privacy, malicious prosecution or false arrest, detention or imprisonment, applied to or directed at that person, regardless of whether such practice, policy, act or omission occurs, is applied or is committed before, during or after the time of that person's employment; or
- **b.** The spouse, child, parent, brother or sister of that person as a consequence of injury to that person as described in Paragraphs **a.(1)**, **(2)** or **(3)** above.

This exclusion applies:

- **a.** Whether the insured may be liable as an employer or in any other capacity; and
- **b.** To any obligation to share damages with or repay someone else who must pay damages because of the injury.

#### 3. ERISA, COBRA And Similar Laws

Any obligation of the insured under:

- The Employees Retirement Income Security Act Of 1974 (ERISA) or any of its amendments;
- **b.** The Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA) or any of its amendments; or
- **c.** Any similar common or statutory law of any jurisdiction.

#### 4. Medical Expenses Or Payments

Any obligation of the insured under any "medical expenses" or medical payments coverage.

#### 5. Nuclear Material

Damages arising out of:

- **a.** The actual, alleged or threatened exposure of any person or property to; or
- **b.** The "hazardous properties" of;

any "nuclear material".

As used in this exclusion:

- **a.** "Hazardous properties" includes radioactive, toxic or explosive properties;
- b. "Nuclear material" means "source material", "special nuclear material" or "by-product material"; and
- c. "Source material", "special nuclear material" and "by-product material" have

the meanings given them in the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 or any of its amendments.

#### 6. Uninsured or Underinsured Motorists, No-Fault And Similar Laws

Any liability imposed on the insured, or the insured's insurer, under any of the following laws:

- a. Uninsured motorists;
- **b.** Underinsured motorists;
- **c.** Auto no-fault or other first-party personal injury protection (PIP);
- **d.** Supplementary uninsured/underinsured motorists (New York); or
- **e.** Medical expense benefits and income loss benefits (Virginia).

#### 7. War

Damages arising out of:

- a. War, including undeclared or civil war; or
- b. Warlike action by a military force, including action in hindering or defending against an actual or expected attack, by any government, sovereign or other authority using military personnel or other agents; or
- **c.** Insurrection, rebellion, revolution, usurped power or action taken by governmental authority in hindering or defending against any of these.

#### 8. Workers Compensation And Similar Laws

Any obligation of the insured under a workers compensation, disability benefits or unemployment compensation law or any similar law.

#### **B.** With respect to Coverage **B**:

# 1. Expected Or Intended Bodily Injury Or Property Damage

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" expected or intended from the standpoint of the insured. This exclusion does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" resulting from the use of reasonable force to protect persons or property.

#### 2. Contractual Liability

"Bodily injury", "property damage", "personal injury" or "advertising injury" for which the insured is obligated to pay damages by reason of the assumption of liability in a contract or agreement. This exclusion does not apply to liability for damages that the insured would have in the absence of the contract or agreement.

#### 3. Liquor Liability

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which any insured may be liable by reason of:

- a. Causing or contributing to the intoxication of any person, including causing or contributing to the intoxication of any person because alcoholic beverages were permitted to be brought on your premises for consumption on your premises;
- **b.** The furnishing of alcoholic beverages to a person under the legal drinking age or under the influence of alcohol; or
- **c.** Any statute, ordinance or regulation relating to the sale, gift, distribution or use of alcoholic beverages.

#### 4. Employers Liability

"Bodily injury" to:

- **a.** An "employee" of the insured arising out of and in the course of:
  - (1) Employment by the insured; or
  - (2) Performing duties related to the conduct of the insured's business; or
- **b.** The spouse, child, parent, brother or sister of that "employee" as a consequence of "bodily injury" described in Paragraph **a.** above.

This exclusion applies:

- **a.** Whether the insured may be liable as an employer or in any other capacity; and
- **b.** To any obligation to share damages with or repay someone else who must pay damages because of the "bodily injury".

#### 5. Pollution

- a. "Bodily injury", "property damage", "personal injury" or "advertising injury" arising out of the actual, alleged or threatened discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape of "pollutants".
- **b.** Any loss, cost or expense arising out of any:
  - (1) Request, demand, order or statutory or regulatory requirement that any insured or any other person or organization test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of, "pollutants"; or
  - (2) Claim or "suit" by or on behalf of any governmental authority or any other person or organization because of testing for, monitoring, cleaning up,

removing, containing, treating, detoxifying or neutralizing, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of, "pollutants".

#### 6. Aircraft

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the ownership, maintenance, use or entrustment to others of any aircraft owned or operated by or rented or loaned to any insured. Use includes operation and "loading or unloading".

This exclusion applies even if the claims against any insured allege negligence or other wrongdoing in the supervision, hiring, employment, training or monitoring of others by that insured, if the "occurrence" which caused the "bodily injury" or "property damage" involved the ownership. maintenance, use or entrustment to others of any aircraft that is owned or operated by or rented or loaned to any insured.

#### 7. Auto

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the ownership, maintenance, use or entrustment to others of any "auto". Use includes operation and "loading or unloading".

This exclusion applies even if the claims against any insured allege negligence or other wrongdoing in the supervision, hiring, employment, training or monitoring of others by that insured, if the "occurrence" which caused the "bodily injury" or "property damage" involved the ownership, maintenance, use or entrustment to others of any "auto".

This exclusion does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" caused by an "occurrence" that takes place outside of the United States of America (including its territories and possessions), Puerto Rico and Canada.

#### 8. Watercraft

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the ownership, maintenance, use or entrustment to others of any watercraft owned or operated by or rented or loaned to any insured. Use includes operation and "loading or unloading".

This exclusion applies even if the claims against any insured allege negligence or other wrongdoing in the supervision, hiring, employment, training or monitoring of others by that insured, if the "occurrence" which caused the "bodily injury" or "property damage" involved the ownership,

maintenance, use or entrustment to others of any watercraft that is owned or operated by or rented or loaned to any insured.

This exclusion does not apply to a watercraft:

- **a.** While ashore on premises owned by or rented to any insured; or
- **b.** That is 50-feet long or less and that:
  - (1) You own; or
  - (2) You do not own and is not being used to carry any person or property for a charge.

#### 9. Electronic Data

Damages claimed for the loss of, loss of use of, damage to, corruption of, inability to access, or inability to manipulate "electronic data".

#### 10. Damage To Property, Products Or Work

"Property damage" to:

- a. Property you own, rent or occupy, including any costs or expenses incurred by you, or any other person or organization, for repair, replacement, enhancement, restoration or maintenance of such property for any reason, including prevention of injury to a person or damage to another's property;
- **b.** Premises you sell, give away or abandon if the "property damage" arises out of any part of those premises;
- **c.** Property loaned to you;
- Personal property in the care, custody or control of the insured;
- e. That particular part of real property on which you or any contractors or subcontractors working directly or indirectly on your behalf are performing operations if the "property damage" arises out of those operations;
- f. That particular part of any property that must be restored, repaired or replaced because "your work" was incorrectly performed on it;
- **g.** "Your product" arising out of "your product" or any part of it; or
- **h.** "Your work" arising out of "your work" or any part of it and included in the "products-completed operations hazard".

# 11. Damage To Impaired Property Or Property Not Physically Injured

"Property damage" to "impaired property", or property that has not been physically injured, arising out of:

- a. A defect, deficiency, inadequacy or dangerous condition in "your product" or "your work"; or
- **b.** A delay or failure by you, or anyone acting on your behalf, to fulfill the terms of a contract or agreement.

This exclusion does not apply to the loss of use of other property arising out of sudden and accidental physical injury to "your product" or "your work" after it has been put to its intended use.

# 12. Recall Of Products, Work Or Impaired Property

Damages claimed for any loss, cost or expense incurred by you or others for the loss of use, withdrawal, recall, inspection, repair, replacement, adjustment, removal or disposal of:

- a. "Your product";
- **b.** "Your work"; or
- c. "Impaired property";

if such product, work or property is withdrawn or recalled from the market or from use by any person or organization because of a known or suspected defect, deficiency, inadequacy or dangerous condition in it.

## 13. Violation Of Consumer Financial Protection Laws

"Bodily injury", "property damage", "personal injury" or "advertising injury" arising out of any actual or alleged violation of a "consumer financial protection law", or any other "bodily injury", "property damage", "personal injury" or "advertising injury" alleged in any claim or "suit" that also alleges any such violation.

#### 14. Unsolicited Communication

"Bodily injury", "property damage", "personal injury" or "advertising injury" arising out of any actual or alleged violation of any law that restricts or prohibits the sending, transmitting or distributing of "unsolicited communication".

#### 15. Access Or Disclosure Of Confidential Or Personal Information

"Bodily injury", "property damage", "personal injury" or "advertising injury" arising out of any access to or disclosure of any person's or organization's confidential or personal information.

#### 16. Knowing Violation Of Rights Of Another

"Personal injury" or "advertising injury" caused by or at the direction of the insured with the knowledge that the act would violate the rights of another and would inflict "personal injury" or "advertising injury".

#### 17. Material Published With Knowledge Of Falsity

"Personal injury" or "advertising injury" arising out of oral or written publication, including publication by electronic means, of material, if done by or at the direction of the insured with knowledge of its falsity.

# 18. Material Published Or Used Prior To Policy Period

- a. "Personal injury" or "advertising injury" arising out of oral or written publication, including publication by electronic means, of material whose first publication took place before the beginning of the policy period; or
- b. "Advertising injury" arising out of infringement of copyright, "title" or "slogan" in your "advertisement" whose first infringement in your "advertisement" was committed before the beginning of the policy period.

#### 19. Criminal Acts

"Personal injury" or "advertising injury" arising out of a criminal act committed by or at the direction of the insured.

#### 20. Breach Of Contract

"Personal injury" or "advertising injury" arising out of a breach of contract.

# 21. Quality Or Performance Of Goods – Failure To Conform To Statements

"Advertising injury" arising out of the failure of goods, products or services to conform with any statement of quality or performance made in your "advertisement".

#### 22. Wrong Description Of Prices

"Advertising injury" arising out of the wrong description of the price of goods, products or services stated in your "advertisement".

#### 23. Intellectual Property

"Personal injury" or "advertising injury" arising out of any actual or alleged infringement or violation of any of the following rights or laws, or any other "personal injury" or "advertising injury" alleged in any claim or "suit" that also alleges any such infringement or violation:

- a. Copyright;
- **b.** Patent;

- c. Trade dress;
- d. Trade name:
- e. Trademark;
- **f.** Trade secret; or
- **g.** Other intellectual property rights or laws.

This exclusion does not apply to:

- a. "Advertising injury" arising out of any actual or alleged infringement or violation of another's copyright, "title" or "slogan" in your "advertisement"; or
- b. Any other "personal injury" or "advertising injury" alleged in any claim or "suit" that also alleges any such infringement or violation of another's copyright, "title" or "slogan" in your "advertisement".

### 24. Insureds In Media And Internet Type Business

"Personal injury" or "advertising injury" arising out of an offense committed by an insured whose business is:

- **a.** Advertising, "broadcasting" or publishing;
- **b.** Designing or determining content of websites for others; or
- **c.** An Internet search, access, content or service provider.

This exclusion does not apply to Paragraphs a.(1), (2) and (3) of the definition of "personal injury".

For the purposes of this exclusion:

- a. Creating and producing correspondence written in the conduct of your business, bulletins, financial or annual reports, or newsletters about your goods, products or services will not be considered the business of publishing; and
- **b.** The placing of frames, borders or links, or advertising, for you or others anywhere on the Internet will not, by itself, be considered the business of advertising, "broadcasting" or publishing.

#### 25. Electronic Chatrooms Or Bulletin Boards

"Personal injury" or "advertising injury" arising out of an electronic chatroom or bulletin board the insured hosts, owns or over which the insured exercises control.

# 26. Unauthorized Use Of Another's Name Or Product

"Personal injury" or "advertising injury" arising out of the unauthorized use of another's name or product in your e-mail address, domain name or metatag, or any other similar tactics to mislead another's potential customers.

#### C. With respect to Coverage C:

## Newly Acquired, Controlled Or Formed Entities

"Crisis management service expenses" arising out of a "crisis management event" that involves any organization you newly acquire or form and that occurred prior to the date you acquired or formed that organization, even if an "executive officer" only first becomes aware of an "event" or "occurrence" that leads to such "crisis management event" after the date you acquired or formed such organization.

#### **SECTION V – CONDITIONS**

#### A. APPEALS

- 1. If the insured or the insured's "underlying insurer" elects not to appeal a judgment which exceeds the "applicable underlying limit" or "self-insured retention", we may do so.
- 2. If we appeal such a judgment, we will pay all costs of the appeal. These payments will not reduce the applicable limits of insurance. In no event will our liability exceed the applicable limit of insurance.

#### **B. BANKRUPTCY**

- 1. Bankruptcy or insolvency of the insured or of the insured's estate will not relieve us of our obligations under this insurance.
- 2. In the event of bankruptcy or insolvency of any "underlying insurer", this insurance will not replace such bankrupt or insolvent "underlying insurer's" policy, and this insurance will apply as if such "underlying insurer" had not become bankrupt or insolvent.

#### C. CANCELLATION

- 1. The first Named Insured shown in the Declarations may cancel this insurance by mailing or delivering to us advance written notice of cancellation.
- 2. We may cancel this insurance by mailing or delivering to such first Named Insured written notice of cancellation at least:
  - **a.** 10 days before the effective date of cancellation if we cancel for nonpayment of premium; or
  - **b.** 60 days before the effective date of cancellation if we cancel for any other reason.
- We will mail or deliver our notice to such first Named Insured's last mailing address known to us.

- Notice of cancellation will state the effective date of cancellation. The policy period will end on that date.
- 5. If this insurance is cancelled, we will send such first Named Insured any premium refund due. If we cancel, the refund will be pro rata. If such first Named Insured cancels, the refund may be less than pro rata. The cancellation will be effective even if we have not made or offered a refund.
- If notice is mailed, proof of mailing will be sufficient proof of notice.

#### D. CHANGES

This policy contains all the agreements between you and us concerning the insurance afforded. No change can be made in the terms of this insurance except with our consent. The terms of this insurance can be amended or waived only by endorsement issued by us and made a part of this policy.

#### **E. CURRENCY**

Payments for damages or expenses described in Paragraph 5. of Paragraph D., DEFENSE AND SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS, of SECTION I – COVERAGES will be in the currency of the United States of America. At our sole option, we may make these payments in a different currency. Any necessary currency conversion for such payments will be calculated based on the rate of exchange published in the Wall Street Journal immediately preceeding the date the payment is processed.

# F. DUTIES REGARDING AN EVENT, OCCURRENCE, CLAIM OR SUIT

- You must see to it that we are notified as soon as practicable of an "event" or "occurrence" which may result in a claim under this insurance. To the extent possible, notice should include:
  - **a.** How, when and where the "event" or "occurrence" took place;
  - **b.** The names and addresses of any persons or organizations sustaining injury, damage or loss, and the names and addresses of any witnesses; and
  - **c.** The nature and location of any injury or damage arising out of the "event" or "occurrence".
- 2. If a claim is made or "suit" is brought against any insured which may result in a claim under this insurance, you must see to it that we receive written notice of the claim or "suit" as soon as practicable.

- With respect to Coverage A, the insured must:
  - a. Cooperate with us in the investigation, settlement or defense of any claim or "suit":
  - **b.** Comply with the terms of the "underlying insurance"; and
  - c. Pursue all rights of contribution or indemnity against any person or organization who may be liable to the insured because of the injury, damage or loss for which insurance is provided under this policy or any policy of "underlying insurance".
- **4.** With respect to Coverage **B**, the insured must:
  - a. Immediately send us copies of any demands, notices, summonses or legal papers received in connection with the claim or "suit":
  - **b.** Authorize us to obtain necessary records and other information;
  - c. Cooperate with us in the investigation, settlement or defense of any claim or "suit"; and
  - **d.** Assist us, upon our request, in the enforcement of any right against any person or organization which may be liable to the insured because of injury or damage to which Coverage **B** may apply.
- 5. No insured will, except at that insured's own expense, voluntarily make a payment, assume any obligation, make any admission or incur any expense, other than for first aid for "bodily injury" covered by this insurance, without our consent.
- 6. Knowledge of an "event", "occurrence", claim or "suit" by your agent, servant or "employee" will not constitute knowledge by you, unless your insurance or risk manager, or anyone working in the capacity as your insurance or risk manager, or anyone you designate with the responsibility of reporting an "event", "occurrence", claim or "suit":
  - a. Has received notice of such "event", "occurrence", claim or "suit" from such agent, servant or "employee"; or
  - b. Otherwise has knowledge of such "event", "occurrence", claim or "suit".

### G. DUTIES REGARDING A CRISIS MANAGEMENT EVENT

You must:

- 1. Notify us within 30 days of a "crisis management event" that may result in "crisis management service expenses".
- **2.** Provide written notice of the "crisis management event" as soon as practicable. To the extent possible, notice should include:
  - **a.** How, when and where that "crisis management event" took place;
  - **b.** The names and addresses of any persons or organizations sustaining injury, damage or loss, and the named and addresses of any witnesses;
  - **c.** The nature and location of any injury or damage arising out of that "crisis management event"; and
  - d. The reason that "crisis management event" is likely to involve damages covered by this insurance in excess of the "applicable underlying limit" or "selfinsured retention" and involve regional or national media coverage.

## H. EXAMINATION OF YOUR BOOKS AND RECORDS

We may examine and audit your books and records as they relate to this insurance:

- 1. At any time during the policy period;
- Up to three years after the end of the policy period; and
- **3.** Within one year after final settlement of all claims under this insurance.

#### I. EXTENDED REPORTING PERIOD OPTION

- When the "underlying insurance" applies on a claims-made basis, any automatic or basic "extended reporting period" in such "underlying insurance" will apply to this insurance.
- 2. When the "underlying insurance" applies on a claims-made basis and you elect to purchase an optional or supplemental "extended reporting period" in such "underlying insurance," that "extended reporting period" will apply to this insurance only if:
  - a. A written request to purchase an Extended Reporting Period endorsement for this insurance is made by you and received by us within 90 days after the end of the policy period;

- **b.** You have paid all premiums due for this policy at the time you make such request;
- c. You promptly pay the additional premium we charge for the Extended Reporting Period endorsement for this insurance when due. We will determine additional premium after we have received your request for the Extended Reporting Period endorsement for this insurance. That additional premium is not subject to any limitation stated in the "underlying insurance" on the amount or percentage of additional premium that may be charged for the "extended reporting period" in such "underlying insurance"; and
- d. That Extended Reporting Period endorsement is issued by us and made a part of this policy.
- Any Extended Reporting Period endorsement for this insurance will not reinstate or increase the Limits of Insurance or extend the policy period.
- 4. Except with respect to any provisions to the contrary contained in Paragraphs 1., 2. or 3. above, all provisions of any option to purchase an "extended reporting period" granted to you in the "underlying insurance" apply to this insurance.

#### J. INSPECTIONS AND SURVEYS

- 1. We have the right but are not obligated to:
  - a. Make inspections and surveys at any time;
  - **b.** Give you reports on the conditions we find; and
  - c. Recommend changes.
- 2. Any inspections, surveys, reports or recommendations relate only to insurability and the premiums to be charged. We do not make safety inspections. We do not undertake to perform the duty of any person or organization to provide for the health or safety of workers or the public. We do not warrant that conditions:
  - a. Are safe or healthful; or
  - **b.** Comply with laws, regulations, codes or standards.

#### K. LEGAL ACTION AGAINST US

- No person or organization has a right under this insurance:
  - a. To join us as a party or otherwise bring us into a "suit" asking for damages from an insured; or

- **b.** To sue us on this insurance unless all of its terms have been fully complied with.
- 2. A person or organization may sue us to recover on an agreed settlement or on a final judgment against an insured. We will not be liable for damages that:
  - Are not payable under the terms of this insurance; or
  - **b.** Are in excess of the applicable limit of insurance.

An agreed settlement means a settlement and release of liability signed by us, the insured and the claimant or the claimant's legal representative.

#### L. MAINTENANCE OF UNDERLYING INSURANCE

- 1. The insurance afforded by each policy of "underlying insurance" will be maintained for the full policy period of this Excess Follow-Form And Umbrella Liability Insurance. This provision does not apply to the reduction or exhaustion of the aggregate limit or limits of "underlying insurance" solely payments as permitted in Paragraphs 4.a.(1), (2) and (3) of COVERAGE A - EXCESS FOLLOW-FORM LIABILITY of SECTION I -**COVERAGES**. As such policies expire, you will renew them at limits and with coverage at least equal to the expiring limits of insurance. If you fail to comply with the above requirements, Coverage A is not invalidated. However, in the event of a loss, we will pay only to the extent that we would have paid had you complied with the above requirements.
- 2. The first Named Insured shown in the Declarations must give us written notice of any change in the "underlying insurance" as respects:
  - a. Coverage;
  - **b.** Limits of insurance;
  - **c.** Termination of any coverage; or
  - **d.** Exhaustion of aggregate limits.
- 3. If you are unable to recover from any "underlying insurer" because you fail to comply with any term or condition of the "underlying insurance", Coverage A is not invalidated. However, we will pay for any loss only to the extent that we would have paid had you complied with that term or condition in that "underlying insurance".

#### M. OTHER INSURANCE

This insurance is excess over any valid and collectible "other insurance" whether such "other insurance" is stated to be primary, contributing,

excess, contingent or otherwise. This provision does not apply to a policy bought specifically to apply as excess of this insurance.

However, if you specifically agree in a written contract or agreement that the insurance provided to any person or organization that qualifies as an insured under this insurance must apply on a primary basis, or a primary and non-contributory basis, then insurance provided under Coverage **A** is subject to the following provisions:

- 1. This insurance will apply before any "other insurance" that is available to such additional insured which covers that person or organization as a named insured, and we will not share with that "other insurance", provided that the injury or damage for which coverage is sought is caused by an "event" that takes place or is committed subsequent to the signing of that contract or agreement by you.
- 2. This insurance is still excess over any valid and collectible "other insurance", whether primary, excess, contingent or otherwise, which covers that person or organization as an additional insured or as any other insured that does not qualify as a named insured.

#### N. PREMIUM

- The first Named Insured shown in the Declarations is responsible for the payment of all premiums and will be the payee for any return premiums.
- 2. If the premium is a flat charge, it is not subject to adjustment except as provided in Paragraph 4. below.
- 3. If the premium is other than a flat charge, it is an advance premium only. The earned premium will be computed at the end of the policy period, or at the end of each year of the policy period if the policy period is two years or longer, at the rate shown in the Declarations, subject to the Minimum Premium.
- Additional premium may become payable when coverage is provided for additional insureds under the provisions of SECTION II – WHO IS AN INSURED.

#### O. PREMIUM AUDIT

The premium for this policy is the amount stated in Item **5.** of the Declarations. The premium is a flat charge unless it is specified in the Declarations as adjustable.

# P. PROHIBITED COVERAGE - UNLICENSED INSURANCE

- 1. With respect to loss sustained by any insured in a country or jurisdiction in which we are not licensed to provide this insurance, this insurance does not apply to the extent that insuring such loss would violate the laws or regulations of such country or jurisdiction.
- 2. We do not assume responsibility for:
  - a. The payment of any fine, fee, penalty or other charge that may be imposed on any person or organization in any country or jurisdiction because we are not licensed to provide insurance in such country or jurisdiction; or
  - **b.** The furnishing of certificates or other evidence of insurance in any country or jurisdiction in which we are not licensed to provide insurance.

# Q. PROHIBITED COVERAGE – TRADE OR ECONOMIC SANCTIONS

We will provide coverage for any loss, or otherwise will provide any benefit, only to the extent that providing such coverage or benefit does not expose us or any of our affiliated or parent companies to:

- Any trade or economic sanction under any law or regulation of the United States of America; or
- **2.** Any other applicable trade or economic sanction, prohibition or restriction.

#### R. REPRESENTATIONS

By accepting this insurance, you agree:

- The statements in the Declarations and any subsequent notice relating to "underlying insurance" are accurate and complete;
- **2.** Those statements are based upon representations you made to us; and
- **3.** We have issued this insurance in reliance upon your representations.

#### S. SEPARATION OF INSUREDS

Except with respect to the Limits of Insurance, and any rights or duties specifically assigned in this policy to the first Named Insured shown in the Declarations, this insurance applies:

- **1.** As if each Named Insured were the only Named Insured; and
- **2.** Separately to each insured against whom claim is made or "suit" is brought.

## T. WAIVER OR TRANSFER OF RIGHTS OF RECOVERY AGAINST OTHERS TO US

1. If the insured has rights to recover all or part of any payment we have made under this insurance, those rights are transferred to us and the insured must do nothing after loss to impair them. At our request, the insured will bring suit or transfer those rights to us and help us, and with respect to Coverage A, the "underlying insurer", enforce them.

If the insured has agreed in a contract or agreement to waive that insured's right of recovery against any person or organization, we waive our right of recovery against that person or organization, but only for payments we make because of an "event" that takes place or is committed subsequent to the execution of that contract or agreement by such insured.

- **2.** Reimbursement of any amount recovered will be made in the following order:
  - a. First, to any person or organization (including us or the insured) who has paid any amount in excess of the applicable limit of insurance;
  - b. Next, to us; and
  - **c.** Then, to any person or organization (including the insured and with respect to Coverage **A**, the "underlying insurer") that is entitled to claim the remainder, if any.
- **3.** Expenses incurred in the process of recovery will be divided among all persons or organizations receiving amounts recovered according to the ratio of their respective recoveries.

## U. TRANSFER OF YOUR RIGHTS AND DUTIES UNDER THIS INSURANCE

- Your rights and duties under this insurance may not be transferred without our written consent except in the case of death of an individual Named Insured.
- 2. If you die, your rights and duties will be transferred to your legal representative but only while acting within the scope of duties as your legal representative. Until your legal representative is appointed, anyone having proper temporary custody of your property will have your rights and duties but only with respect to that property.

#### V. UNINTENTIONAL OMISSION OR ERROR

The unintentional omission of, or unintentional error in, any information provided by you which we relied upon in issuing this policy will not prejudice your rights under this insurance. However, this

provision does not affect our right to collect additional premium or to exercise our rights of cancellation or nonrenewal in accordance with applicable insurance laws or regulations.

#### W. WHEN LOSS IS PAYABLE

If we are liable under this insurance, we will pay for injury, damage or loss after:

- 1. The insured's liability is established by:
  - a. A court decision; or
  - **b.** A written agreement between the claimant, the insured, any "underlying insurer" and us: and
- 2. The amount of the "applicable underlying limit" or "self-insured retention" is paid by or on behalf of the insured.

#### **SECTION VI - DEFINITIONS**

- **A.** With respect to all coverages of this insurance:
  - 1. "Applicable underlying limit" means the sum of:
    - a. The applicable limit of insurance stated for the policies of "underlying insurance" in the Schedule Of Underlying Insurance subject to the provisions in Paragraphs 4.a.(1), (2) and (3) of COVERAGE A – EXCESS FOLLOW-FORM LIABILITY of SECTION I – COVERAGES; and
    - **b.** The applicable limit of insurance of any "other insurance" that applies.

The limits of insurance in any policy of "underlying insurance" will apply even if:

- **a.** The "underlying insurer" claims the insured failed to comply with any term or condition of the policy; or
- **b.** The "underlying insurer" becomes bankrupt or insolvent.
- 2. "Auto hazard" means all "bodily injury" and "property damage" to which liability insurance afforded under an auto policy of "underlying insurance" would apply but for the exhaustion of its applicable limits of insurance.
- 3. "Electronic data" means information, facts or programs stored as or on, created or used on, or transmitted to or from computer software (including systems and applications software), hard or floppy disks, CD-ROMs, tapes, drives, cells, data processing devices or any other media which are used with electronically controlled equipment.
- **4.** "Event" means an "occurrence", offense, accident, act, error, omission, wrongful act or loss.

- 5. "Extended reporting period" means any period of time, starting with the end of the policy period of your claims-made insurance, during which claims or "suits" may be first made, brought or reported for that insurance.
- **6.** "Medical expenses" means expenses to which any Medical Payments section of any policy of Commercial General Liability "underlying insurance" applies.
- **7.** "Other insurance" means insurance, or the funding of losses, that is provided by, through or on behalf of:
  - **a.** Another insurance company;
  - Us or any of our affiliated insurance companies;
  - **c.** Any risk retention group;
  - **d.** Any self-insurance method or program, in which case the insured will be deemed to be the provider of such insurance; or
  - **e.** Any similar risk transfer or risk management method.

"Other insurance" does not include:

- a. Any "underlying insurance"; or
- b. Any policy of insurance specifically purchased to be excess of the limits of insurance of this policy shown in the Declarations.
- **8.** "Products-completed operations hazard":
  - a. Includes all "bodily injury" and "property damage" occurring away from premises you own or rent and arising out of "your product" or "your work" except:
    - (1) Products that are still in your physical possession; or
    - (2) Work that has not yet been completed or abandoned. However, "your work" will be deemed completed at the earliest of the following times:
      - (a) When all the work called for in your contract has been completed;
      - (b) When all the work to be done at the job site has been completed if your contract calls for work at more than one job site; or
      - (c) When that part of the work done at a job site has been put to its intended use by any person or organization other than another contractor or subcontractor working on the same project.

- Work that may need service, maintenance, correction, repair or replacement, but which is otherwise complete, will be treated as completed.
- **b.** Does not include "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of:
  - (1) The transportation of property, unless the injury or damage arises out of a condition in or on a vehicle not owned or operated by you, and that condition was created by the "loading or unloading" of that vehicle by any insured:
  - (2) The existence of tools, uninstalled equipment or abandoned or unused materials; or
  - (3) Products or operations for which the classification listed in a policy of Commercial General Liability "underlying insurance" states that products-completed operations are subject to the General Aggregate Limit.
- **9.** "Suit" means a civil proceeding which alleges damages. "Suit" includes:
  - a. An arbitration proceeding in which damages are claimed and to which the insured must submit or does submit with our consent; or
  - **b.** Any other alternative dispute resolution proceeding to which the insured submits with our consent.
- **10.** "Underlying insurance":
  - a. Means the policy or policies of insurance listed in the Schedule Of Underlying Insurance.
  - **b.** Includes any renewal or replacement of such policies if such renewal or replacement is during the policy period of this Excess Follow-Form And Umbrella Liability Insurance.
  - c. Does not include any part of the policy period of any of the policies described in Paragraphs a. or b. above that began before, or that continues after, the policy period of this Excess Follow-Form And Umbrella Liability Insurance.
- **11.** "Underlying insurer" means any insurer which provides a policy of insurance listed in the Schedule Of Underlying Insurance.

- **B.** With respect to Coverage **B** and, to the extent that the following terms are not defined in the "underlying insurance", to Coverage **A**:
  - "Advertisement" means a notice that is broadcast or published to the general public or specific market segments about your goods, products or services for the purpose of attracting customers or supporters. For the purposes of this definition:
    - Notices that are published include material placed on the Internet or on similar electronic means of communication; and
    - b. Regarding web sites, only that part of a web site that is about your goods, products or services for the purposes of attracting customers or supporters is considered an advertisement.
  - 2. "Advertising injury":
    - a. Means injury, other than "personal injury", caused by one or more of the following offenses:
      - (1) Oral or written publication, including publication by electronic means, of material in your "advertisement" that slanders or libels a person or organization or disparages a person's or organization's goods, products or services, provided that the claim is made or the "suit" is brought by a person or organization that claims to have been slandered or libeled, or that claims to have had its goods, products or services disparaged:
      - (2) Oral or written publication, including publication by electronic means, of material in your "advertisement" that:
        - (a) Appropriates a person's name, voice, photograph or likeness; or
        - **(b)** Unreasonably places a person in a false light; or
      - (3) Infringement of copyright, "title" or "slogan" in your "advertisement", provided that the claim is made or the "suit" is brought by a person or organization that claims ownership of such copyright, "title" or "slogan".
    - **b.** Includes "bodily injury" caused by one or more of the offenses described in Paragraph **a.** above.
  - 3. "Auto" means:
    - **a.** A land motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer designed for travel on public roads,

- including any attached machinery or equipment; or
- **b.** Any other land vehicle that is subject to a compulsory or financial responsibility law or other motor vehicle insurance law where it is licensed or principally garaged.

However, "auto" does not include "mobile equipment".

- 4. "Bodily injury" means:
  - a. Physical harm, including sickness or disease, sustained by a person; or
  - b. Mental anguish, injury or illness, or emotional distress, resulting at any time from such physical harm, sickness or disease.
- **5.** "Broadcasting" means transmitting any audio or visual material for any purpose:
  - a. By radio or television; or
  - **b.** In, by or with any other electronic means of communication, such as the Internet, if that material is part of:
    - (1) Radio or television programming being transmitted;
    - (2) Other entertainment, educational, instructional, music or news programming being transmitted; or
    - (3) Advertising transmitted with any such programming.
- 6. "Consumer financial identity information" means any of the following information for a person that is used or collected for the purpose of serving as a factor in establishing such person's eligibility for personal credit, insurance or employment or for the purpose of conducting a business transaction:
  - **a.** Part or all of the account number, the expiration date or the balance of any credit, debit, bank or other financial account;
  - **b.** Information bearing on a person's credit worthiness, credit standing or credit capacity;
  - **c.** Social security number:
  - d. Driver's license number; or
  - **e.** Birth date.
- 7. "Consumer financial protection law" means:
  - a. The Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) and any of its amendments, including the Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act (FACTA);

- **b.** California's Song-Beverly Credit Card Act and any of its amendments; or
- **c.** Any other law or regulation that restricts or prohibits the collection, dissemination, transmission, distribution or use of "consumer financial identity information".
- "Employee" includes a "leased worker".
   "Employee" does not include a "temporary worker".
- "Good Samaritan services" means any emergency medical services for which no compensation is demanded or received.
- **10.** "Impaired property" means tangible property, other than "your product" or "your work", that cannot be used or is less useful because:
  - **a.** It incorporates "your product" or "your work" that is known or thought to be defective, deficient, inadequate or dangerous; or
  - **b.** You have failed to fulfill the terms of a contract or agreement;

if such property can be restored to use by the repair, replacement, adjustment or removal of "your product" or "your work" or your fulfilling the terms of the contract or agreement.

- 11. "Leased worker" means a person leased to you by a labor leasing firm under an agreement between you and the labor leasing firm, to perform duties related to the conduct of your business. "Leased worker" does not include a "temporary worker".
- 12. "Loading or unloading" means the handling of property:
  - **a.** After it is moved from the place where it is accepted for movement into or onto an aircraft, watercraft or "auto";
  - **b.** While it is in or on an aircraft, watercraft or "auto"; or
  - c. While it is being moved from an aircraft, watercraft or "auto" to the place where it is finally delivered;

but "loading or unloading" does not include the movement of property by means of a mechanical device, other than a hand truck, that is not attached to the aircraft, watercraft or "auto".

- **13.** "Mobile equipment" means any of the following types of land vehicles, including any attached machinery or equipment:
  - a. Bulldozers, farm machinery, forklifts and other vehicles designed for use principally off public roads.

- **b.** Vehicles maintained for use solely on or next to premises you own or rent.
- c. Vehicles that travel on crawler treads.
- **d.** Vehicles, whether self-propelled or not, maintained primarily to provide mobility to permanently mounted:
  - (1) Power cranes, shovels, loaders, diggers or drills; or
  - (2) Road construction or resurfacing equipment such as graders, scrapers or rollers.
- e. Vehicles not described in Paragraph a., b.,
  c. or d. above that are not self-propelled and are maintained primarily to provide mobility to permanently attached equipment of the following types:
  - (1) Air compressors, pumps and generators, including spraying, welding, building cleaning, geophysical exploration, lighting and well servicing equipment; or
  - (2) Cherry pickers and similar devices used to raise or lower workers.
- f. Vehicles not described in Paragraph a., b.,
   c. or d. above maintained primarily for purposes other than the transportation of persons or cargo.

However, self-propelled vehicles with the following types of permanently attached equipment are not "mobile equipment" but will be considered "autos":

- (1) Equipment designed primarily for:
  - (a) Snow removal;
  - **(b)** Road maintenance, but not construction or resurfacing; or
  - (c) Street cleaning;
- (2) Cherry pickers and similar devices mounted on automobile or truck chassis and used to raise or lower workers; and
- (3) Air compressors, pumps and generators, including spraying, welding, building cleaning, geophysical exploration, lighting and well servicing equipment.

However, "mobile equipment" does not include any land vehicle that is subject to a compulsory or financial responsibility law, or other motor vehicle insurance law, where it is licensed or principally garaged. Such land vehicles are considered "autos".

#### 14. "Occurrence" means:

- **a.** With respect to "bodily injury" or "property damage":
  - (1) An accident, including continuous or repeated exposure to substantially the same general harmful conditions, which results in "bodily injury" or "property damage". All "bodily injury" or "property damage" caused by such exposure to substantially the same general harmful conditions will be deemed to be caused by one "occurrence"; or
  - (2) An act or omission committed in providing or failing to provide first aid or "Good Samaritan services" to a person by any of your "employees" or "volunteer workers" other than an employed or volunteer doctor, unless you are in the business or occupation of providing professional health care services;
- b. With respect to "personal injury", an offense arising out of your business that results in "personal injury". All "personal injury" caused by the same or related injurious material, act or offense will be deemed to be caused by one "occurrence", regardless of the frequency or repetition thereof, the number and kind of media used or the number of persons or organizations making claims or bringing "suits"; and
- c. With respect to "advertising injury", an offense committed in the course of advertising your goods, products and services that results in "advertising injury". All "advertising injury" caused by the same or related injurious material, act or offense will be deemed to be caused by one "occurrence", regardless of the frequency or repetition thereof, the number and kind of media used or the number of persons or organizations making claims or bringing "suits".
- 15. "Officer" means a person holding any of the officer positions created by your charter, constitution, bylaws or any other similar governing document.
- 16. "Personal injury":
  - a. Means injury, other than "advertising injury", caused by one or more of the following offenses:
    - (1) False arrest, detention or imprisonment;
    - (2) Malicious prosecution;

- (3) The wrongful eviction from, wrongful entry into, or invasion of the right of private occupancy of a room, dwelling or premises that a person occupies, provided that the wrongful eviction, wrongful entry or invasion of the right of private occupancy is committed by or on behalf of the owner, landlord or lessor of that room, dwelling or premises;
- (4) Oral or written publication, including publication by electronic means, of material that slanders or libels a person or organization or disparages a person's or organization's goods, products or services, provided that the claim is made or the "suit" is brought by a person or organization that claims to have been slandered or libeled, or that claims to have had its goods, products or services disparaged; or
- (5) Oral or written publication, including publication by electronic means, of material that:
  - (a) Appropriates a person's name, voice, photograph or likeness; or
  - **(b)** Unreasonably places a person in a false light.
- **b.** Includes "bodily injury" caused by one or more of the offenses described in Paragraph **a.** above.
- 17. "Pollutants" mean any solid, liquid, gaseous or thermal irritant or contaminant, including smoke, vapor, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals and waste. Waste includes materials to be recycled, reconditioned or reclaimed.
- **18.** "Property damage" means:
  - a. Physical injury to tangible property, including all resulting loss of use of that property. All such loss of use will be deemed to occur at the time of the physical injury that caused it; or
  - **b.** Loss of use of tangible property that is not physically injured. All such loss of use will be deemed to occur at the time of the "occurrence" that caused it.
    - For the purposes of this insurance, "electronic data" is not tangible property.
- 19. "Self-insured retention" is the greater of:
  - a. The amount shown in the Declarations which the insured must first pay under Coverage B for damages because of all

- "bodily injury", "property damage", "personal injury" or "advertising injury" arising out of any one "occurrence"; or
- **b.** The applicable limit of insurance of any "other insurance" that applies.

#### 20. "Slogan":

- a. Means a phrase that others use for the purpose of attracting attention in their advertising.
- **b.** Does not include a phrase used as, or in, the name of:
  - Any person or organization other than you; or
  - (2) Any business, or any of the premises, goods, products, services or work, of any person or organization other than you.
- **21.** "Temporary worker" means a person who is furnished to you to substitute for a permanent "employee" on leave or to meet seasonal or short-term workload conditions.
- 22. "Title" means the name of a literary or artistic work.
- 23. "Unsolicited communication" means any communication, in any form, that the recipient of such communication did not specifically request to receive.
- 24. "Volunteer worker" means a person who is not your "employee", and who donates his or her work and acts at the direction of and within the scope of duties determined by you, and is not paid a fee, salary or other compensation by you or anyone else for their work performed by you.

#### 25. "Your product":

- a. Means:
  - (1) Any goods or products, other than real property, manufactured, sold, handled, distributed or disposed of by:
    - **(a)** You;
    - **(b)** Others trading under your name; or
    - (c) A person or organization whose business or assets you have acquired; and
  - (2) Containers (other than vehicles), materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such goods or products.

#### **b.** Includes:

- (1) Warranties or representations made at any time with respect to the fitness, quality, durability, performance or use of "your product"; and
- **(2)** The providing of or failure to provide warnings or instructions.
- c. Does not include vending machines or other property rented to or located for the use of others but not sold.

#### 26. "Your work":

- a. Means:
  - Work or operations performed by you or on your behalf; and
  - **(2)** Materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations.

#### **b.** Includes:

- (1) Warranties or representations made at any time with respect to the fitness, quality, durability, performance or use of "your work"; and
- **(2)** The providing of or failure to provide warnings or instructions.

#### **C.** With respect to Coverage **C**:

- "Crisis management advisor" means any public relations firm or crisis management firm approved by us that is hired by you to perform "crisis management services" in connection with a "crisis management event".
- 2. "Crisis management event" means an "event" or "occurrence" that your "executive officer" reasonably determines has resulted, or may result, in:
  - a. Damages covered by this Coverage A or Coverage B that are in excess of the total applicable limits of the "underlying insurance" or "self-insured retention"; and
  - **b.** Significant adverse regional or national media coverage.
- 3. "Crisis management service expenses" means amounts incurred by you, after a "crisis management event" first commences and before such event ends:
  - **a.** For the reasonable and necessary:
    - (1) Fees and expenses of a "crisis management advisor" in the performance for you of "crisis management services" solely for a "crisis management event"; and

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- (2) Costs for printing, advertising, mailing of materials or travel by your directors, officers, employees or agents or a "crisis management advisor" solely for a "crisis management event"; and
- b. For the following expenses resulting from such "crisis management event", provided that such expenses have been approved by us:
  - (1) Medical expenses;
  - (2) Funeral expenses;
  - (3) Psychological counseling;
  - (4) Travel expenses;
  - (5) Temporary living expenses;
  - (6) Expenses to secure the scene of a "crisis management event"; or
  - (7) Any other expenses pre-approved by

- 4. "Crisis management services" means those services performed by a "crisis management advisor" in advising you or minimizing potential harm to you from a "crisis management event" by maintaining or restoring public confidence in you.
- 5. "Executive officer" means your:
  - a. Chief Executive Officer:
  - **b.** Chief Operating Officer;
  - c. Chief Financial Officer;
  - d. President;
  - e. General Counsel:
  - **f.** General partner (if you are a partnership); or
  - **g.** Sole proprietor (if you are a sole proprietorship);

or any person acting in the same capacity as any individual listed above.