



STATE OF TENNESSEE  
Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation

**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS # 32701-02165**  
**AMENDMENT # 2**  
**Sitework and Environmental Remediation**

DATE: May 1, 2015

RFQ # 32701-02165 IS AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

1. This RFQ Schedule of Events updates and confirms scheduled RFQ dates. Any event, time, or date containing revised or new text is highlighted.

EVENT		TIME (Central Time Zone)	DATE (all dates are State business days)
1.	RFQ Issued		March 17, 2015
2.	Disability Accommodation Request Deadline	2:00 p.m.	March 20, 2015
3.	Pre-Response Conference	1:00 p.m.	March 24, 2015
4.	Notice of Intent to Respond Deadline	2:00 p.m.	March 25, 2015
5.	Written "Questions & Comments" Deadline	2:00 p.m.	March 30, 2015
6.	State response to written "Questions & Comments"		April 2, 2015 - Confirmed
7.	RFQ Technical Response Deadline	2:00 p.m.	April 17, 2015 - Confirmed
8.	State will notify Respondents from which Costs will be accepted		May 1, 2015 - Confirmed
9.	RFQ Cost Proposal Deadline (ONLY for Qualified Respondents)	2:00 p.m.	May 8, 2015 - Confirmed
10.	RFQ Negotiations		May 15, 2015 - Confirmed
11.	State Evaluation Notice Released		May 22, 2015 - Confirmed
12.	Solicitation Files Opened for Public Inspection		May 26, 2015 - Confirmed
13.	Respondent Contract Signature Deadline	2:00 p.m.	June 5, 2015 - Confirmed
14.	Anticipated Contract Start Date (anticipated date for contract to be fully executed and vendor to begin work)		July 1, 2015 - Confirmed

2. Delete RFQ # 32701-02165, in its entirety, and replace it with RFQ # 32701-02165, Release #2, attached to this amendment. Revisions of the original RFQ document are emphasized within the new release. Any sentence or paragraph containing revised or new text is highlighted.
3. **RFQ Amendment Effective Date.** The revisions set forth herein shall be effective upon release. All other terms and conditions of this RFQ not expressly amended herein shall remain in full force and effect.



**STATE OF TENNESSEE  
CENTRAL PROCUREMENT OFFICE**

**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS  
FOR  
SITWORK AND ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION**

**RFQ # 32701-02165**

**MAY 1, 2015  
RELEASE #2**

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

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The State of Tennessee, Central Procurement Office, hereinafter referred to as “the State,” has issued this Request for Qualifications (“RFQ”) to define mandatory goods or services requirements; solicit responses; detail response requirements; and, outline the State’s process for evaluating responses and selecting a Respondent for contract award to provide the needed goods or services.

Through this RFQ or any subsequent solicitation, the State seeks to buy the requested goods or services at the most favorable, competitive prices and to give ALL qualified businesses, including those that are owned by minorities, women, Tennessee service-disabled veterans, and small business enterprises, the opportunity to do business with the state as contractors or subcontractors.

### 1.1. Statement of Procurement Purpose

This RFQ is to select four (4) pre-approved Contractors that the State will retain for five (5) years to compete for Site and Remediation work at State sites that have or potentially have hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants.

When the State needs work done at any site during the five-year period, the State will issue a scope of work for that site and/or phase that pre-approved Contractors will bid on. The contractor that submits the successful bid will be assigned the work and shall provide the personnel, material, equipment, and supplies required to perform the work. Costs provided with this proposal are to be maximum costs and not to be considered set costs.

Work that may be involved under this RFQ may include, but not be limited to, the following:

- 1.1.1. Excavation, removal, and disposal of contaminated soil and sediment with subsequent sampling.
- 1.1.2. Installation of groundwater recovery wells with subsequent sampling.
- 1.1.3. Restoration of landfill cap, and construction of cap over contaminated land areas.
- 1.1.4. Decontamination of building, machinery, and debris, and their removal and disposal.
- 1.1.5. Placing physical barrier, chemical, or other material to deter or control the spread of contamination, and mitigating its effects.
- 1.1.6. Vegetation control, removal and disposal.
- 1.1.7. Land grading, erosion, and drainage control.
- 1.1.8. Installation and restoration of perimeter fencing.
- 1.1.9. Evaluating the regulatory and financial status, including feasibility and availability, of an offsite facility for utilization as a treatment, storage, or disposal (TSD) location.
- 1.1.10. Arranging and transporting hazardous material containing hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants offsite in compliance with Department of Transportation (DOT) regulations.
- 1.1.11. Closure to monitoring or recovery wells.
- 1.1.12. Sampling open and closed containers, and removing and disposing of the contents and the containers.
- 1.1.13. Install passive soil gas extraction system.
- 1.1.14. Removal and disposal of released material including any contaminated soil, sediment, surface water, ground water, waste, or sludge.
- 1.1.15. Treatment and/or stabilization of hazardous constituents in soil, sediment, surface water, ground water, waste, or sludge.
- 1.1.16. Operating and maintaining remediation systems.
- 1.1.17. Determining whether remaining waste, contaminated soil, hazardous substance(s), or other material constitutes a hazardous waste, and handling it consistent with Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA).
- 1.1.18. Reclaiming free product.

- 1.1.19. Undertaking other site maintenance and remediation work as requested by the State.
- 1.1.20. Determining response actions necessary to stabilize and mitigate immediate hazards and threats that occur, when the above or other work are being performed, in order to protect human health and the environment, and ensure public safety.

Deliverables that the State may request from Contractor are, but not limited to, the following:

- i. Site work report.
- ii. Site remediation report.
- iii. Laboratory analysis result.
- iv. Remediation System Operation and Maintenance report.
- v. Contractor Contract obligations.
- vi. Other deliverables as requested by the State.

**1.2. Pre-Response Conference**

A Pre-Response Conference will be held at the time and date detailed in the RFQ Schedule of Events, RFQ § 2. Pre-Response Conference attendance is not mandatory, and potential Respondents may be limited to a maximum number of attendees depending upon overall attendance and space limitations. Please contact the Solicitation Coordinator to RSVP for the Pre-Response Conference. The Conference will be held at:

3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Conference Room N  
 William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower  
 312 Rosa L. Parks Ave.  
 Nashville, Tennessee 37243

(Enter building on 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue North)

**1.3. Notice of Intent to Respond**

Before the Notice of Intent to Respond Deadline detailed in RFQ § 2, Schedule of Events, potential Respondents should submit to the Solicitation Coordinator a Notice of Intent to Respond in the form of a simple e-mail or other written communication. Such notice should include the following information: the business or individual's name (as appropriate), a contact person's name and title, the contact person's mailing address, telephone number, facsimile, number, and e-mail address. Filing a Notice of Intent to Respond is not a prerequisite for submitting a response; however, it is necessary to ensure receipt of notices and communications relating to this RFQ.

**1.4. Definitions and Abbreviations**

TERM	DEFINITION
DOT	Department of Transportation
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
PPE	Personnel Protective Equipment
RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
RFQ	Request For Qualifications
TDoR	Tennessee Division of Remediation
TSD	Treatment Storage and Disposal

## 2. RFQ SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The following schedule represents the State's best estimates for this RFQ; however, the State reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to adjust the schedule at any time, or cancel and reissue a similar solicitation. Nothing in this RFQ is intended by the State to create any property rights or expectations of a property right in any Respondent.

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### 3. RESPONSE REQUIREMENTS

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#### 3.1. **Response Contents:** A response to this RFQ should address the following:

- 3.1.1. **Mandatory Requirements:** This section details the mandatory technical, functional, and experience requirements that must be demonstrated in the response to this RFQ in order to be passed on to Phase II of the Technical Response evaluation. A Respondent must duplicate and use RFQ Attachment A as a guide to organize responses for the Mandatory Requirements of the RFQ response. The Respondent should reference the page location of the information within the response in the indicated column of the table. This section is included in the State's evaluation as to whether or not a Respondent meets mandatory qualifications (Phase I).
- 3.1.2. **General Qualifications & Experience:** This section is included in the State's evaluation of Phase II of the Technical Response Evaluation and details general information and qualifications that must be demonstrated in the response to this RFQ. A Respondent must duplicate and use RFQ Attachment B as a guide to organize responses for this portion of the RFQ response. The Respondent should reference the page location in the information within the response in the indicated column of the table.
- 3.1.3. **Technical Qualifications, Experience & Approach:** This section is also included in the State's evaluation of Phase II of the Technical Response Evaluation and details technical qualifications, experience, and approach items that must be demonstrated in the response to this RFQ. A Respondent must duplicate and use RFQ Attachment C as a guide to organize responses for this portion of the RFQ response. The Respondent should reference the page location in the information within the response in the indicated column of the table.
- 3.1.4. **Cost Proposal: *For Qualified Respondents only***
  - 3.1.4.1. This section only applies to those respondents identified as being Qualified. See RFQ § 2, Schedule of Events, "State will notify Respondents from which Costs will be accepted."
  - 3.1.4.2. If included as part of this solicitation, then the Cost Proposal must be recorded on an exact duplicate of RFQ Attachment D, Cost Proposal & Evaluation Guide. Any response that does not follow the instructions included in RFQ Attachment D may be deemed nonresponsive.
  - 3.1.4.3. A Respondent must only record the proposed cost exactly as required by the RFQ Attachment D, Cost Proposal & Evaluation Guide and must NOT record any other rates, amounts, or information.
  - 3.1.4.4. The proposed cost shall incorporate ALL costs for services under the contract for the total contract period.
  - 3.1.4.5. A Respondent must sign and date the Cost Proposal.
  - 3.1.4.6. A Respondent must submit the Cost Proposal to the State in a sealed package separate from the Technical Response.

#### 3.2. **Response Delivery Location**

A Respondent must ensure that the State receives a Response to this RFQ no later than the Response Deadline time and dates detailed in the RFQ § 2, Schedule of Events. All responses must be delivered to:

Lindsay Oliveras  
Central Procurement Office  
Tennessee Department of General Services

3rd Floor, William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower  
312 Rosa L. Parks Ave.  
Nashville, Tennessee 37243  
Telephone Number: (615) 253-4762  
Email: Lindsay.oliveras@tn.gov

### 3.3. Response Format

- 3.3.1. A Respondent must ensure that the original response meets all form and content requirements detailed within this RFQ.
- 3.3.2. A Respondent must submit original response documents and copies as specified below.

#### 3.3.2.1. Technical Response

One (1) original Technical Response paper document clearly labeled:

**“RFQ #32701-02165 TECHNICAL RESPONSE ORIGINAL”**

and five (5) copies of the Technical Response each in the form of one (1) digital document in “PDF” format properly recorded on its own otherwise blank, standard CD-R recordable disc or USB flash drive labeled:

**“RFQ #32701-02165 TECHNICAL RESPONSE COPY”**

The digital copies should not include copies of sealed customer references or cost information in the general and technical evaluation phase. However, any other discrepancy between the paper response document and digital copies may result in the State rejecting the response as nonresponsive.

#### 3.3.2.2. Cost Proposal: ***For Qualified Respondents only***

One (1) original Cost Proposal paper document labeled:

**“RFQ #32701-02165 COST PROPOSAL ORIGINAL”**

and one (1) copy in the form of a digital document in “XLSX” format properly recorded on a separate, blank, standard CD-R recordable disc or USB flash-drive labeled:

**“RFQ #32701-02165 COST PROPOSAL COPY”**

In the event of a discrepancy between the original Cost Proposal document and the digital copy, the original, signed document will take precedence.

### 3.4. Response Prohibitions: A response to this RFQ should not:

- 3.4.1. Restrict the rights of the State or otherwise qualify the response to this RFQ;
- 3.4.2. Include, for consideration in this procurement process or subsequent contract negotiations, incorrect information that the Respondent knew or should have known was materially incorrect;
- 3.4.3. Include more than one response, per Respondent, to this RFQ;
- 3.4.4. Include any information concerning costs (in specific dollars or numbers) associated with the Technical Response;
- 3.4.5. Include the respondent’s own contract terms and conditions (unless specifically requested by the RFQ); or

3.4.6. Include the respondent as a prime contractor while also permitting one or more other respondents to offer the respondent as a subcontractor in their own responses.

**3.5. Response Errors & Revisions**

A Respondent is responsible for any and all errors or omissions in its response to this RFQ. A Respondent will not be allowed to alter or revise its response after the Response Deadline time and dates as detailed in RFQ § 2, Schedule of Events, unless such is formally requested in writing by the State (e.g., through a request for clarification, etc.).

**3.6. Response Withdrawal**

A Respondent may withdraw a response at any time before the Response Deadline time and date as detailed in RFQ § 2, Schedule of Events, by submitting a written signed request by an authorized representative of the Respondent. After withdrawing a response, a Respondent may submit another Response at any time before the Response Deadline time and date as detailed in RFQ § 2, Schedule of Events.

**3.7. Response Preparation Costs**

The State will not pay any costs associated with the preparation, submittal, or presentation of any response. Each Respondent is solely responsible for the costs it incurs in responding to this RFQ.

## 4. GENERAL INFORMATION & REQUIREMENTS

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### 4.1. Communications

- 4.1.1. Respondents shall reference RFQ #32701-02165 in all communications relating to this solicitation, and direct any such communications to the following person designated as the Solicitation Coordinator:

Lindsay Oliveras  
Central Procurement Office  
Tennessee Department of General Services  
3rd Floor, William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower  
312 Rosa L. Parks Ave.  
Nashville, Tennessee 37243  
Telephone Number: (615) 253-4762  
Email: Lindsay.Oliveras@TN.gov

The State will convey all official responses and communications related to this RFQ to the potential respondents from whom the State has received a Notice of Intent to Respond (refer to RFQ Section 1.3.).

- 4.1.2. Potential respondents with a handicap or disability may receive accommodation relating to the communication of this RFQ and participating in the RFQ process. Potential respondents may contact the RFQ Coordinator to request such reasonable accommodation no later than the Disability Accommodation Request Deadline detailed in RFQ § 2, Schedule of Events.
- 4.1.3. **Unauthorized contact about this RFQ with other employees or officials of the State of Tennessee may result in disqualification from contract award consideration.**
- 4.1.4. Notwithstanding the foregoing, potential Respondents may also contact the following as appropriate:
- 4.1.4.1. Staff of the Governor's Office of Diversity Business Enterprise may be contacted for assistance with respect to available minority-owned, woman-owned, Tennessee service-disabled veteran-owned, and small business enterprises as well as general public information relating to this request; or
- 4.1.4.2. The following individual designated by the State to coordinate compliance with the nondiscrimination requirements of the State of Tennessee, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and associated federal regulations:
- Helen Crowley  
Department of General Services  
Central Procurement Office  
3rd Floor, William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower  
312 Rosa L. Parks Ave.  
Nashville, Tennessee 37243  
Helen.Crowley@TN.gov  
Telephone Number: (615) 741-3836

### 4.2. Nondiscrimination

No person shall be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the performance of a contract pursuant to this solicitation or in the employment practices of the Vendor on the grounds of handicap or disability, age, race, color, religion (subject to *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Sections 4-21-401 and 405), sex, national origin,

or any other classification protected by federal, Tennessee state constitutional, or statutory law. The Vendor pursuant to this solicitation shall post in conspicuous places, available to all employees and applicants, notices of nondiscrimination.

**4.3. Conflict of Interest**

4.3.1. The State may not consider a proposal from an individual who is, or within the past six (6) months has been, a State employee. For these purposes,

4.3.1.1. An individual shall be deemed a State employee until such time as all compensation for salary, termination pay, and annual leave has been paid;

4.3.1.2. A contract with or a proposal from a company, corporation, or any other contracting entity in which a controlling interest is held by any State employee shall be considered to be a contract with or proposal from the employee; and

4.3.1.3. A contract with or a proposal from a company, corporation, or any other contracting entity that employs an individual who is, or within the past six months has been, a State employee shall not be considered a contract with or a proposal from the employee and shall not constitute a prohibited conflict of interest.

4.3.2. This RFQ is also subject to *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Section 12-4-101.

**4.4. Respondent Required Review & Waiver of Objections**

4.4.1. Each potential respondent must carefully review this RFQ, including but not limited to, attachments, the RFQ Attachment G, *pro forma* Contract, and any amendments for questions, comments, defects, objections, or any other matter requiring clarification or correction (collectively called “questions and comments”).

4.4.2. Any potential respondent having questions and comments concerning this RFQ must provide such in writing to the State no later than the written “Questions &Comments Deadline” detailed in RFQ § 2, Schedule of Events.

4.4.3. Protests based on any objection shall be considered waived and invalid if the objection has not been brought to the attention of the State, in writing, by the written “Questions &Comments Deadline.”

**4.5. Disclosure of Response Contents**

4.5.1. All materials submitted to the State in response to this solicitation become property of the State of Tennessee. Selection for award does not affect this right. By submitting a response, a Respondent acknowledges and accepts that the full contents and associated documents submitted in response to this request will become open to public inspection. Refer to RFQ§ 2, Schedule of Events.

4.5.2. The RFQ responses will be available for public inspection only after the completion of evaluation of the RFQ or any resulting solicitation which this RFQ becomes a part of, whichever is later.

**4.6. Notice of Professional Licensure, Insurance, and Department of Revenue Registration Requirements**

4.6.1. All persons, agencies, firms or other entities that provide legal or financial opinions, which a Respondent provides for consideration and evaluation by the State as part of a response to this RFQ, shall be properly licensed to render such opinions.

4.6.2. Before the Contract resulting from this RFQ is signed, the apparent successful Respondent (and Respondent employees and subcontractors, as applicable) must hold all necessary, appropriate business and professional licenses to provide service as required. The State may require any Respondent to submit evidence of proper licensure.

- 4.6.3. Before the Contract resulting from this RFQ is signed, the apparent successful Respondent must provide a valid, Certificate of Insurance indicating current insurance coverage meeting minimum requirements as may be specified by the RFQ.
- 4.6.4. Before the Contract resulting from this RFQ is signed, the apparent successful Respondent must be registered with the Department of Revenue for the collection of Tennessee sales and use tax. The State shall not approve a contract unless the Respondent provides proof of such registration. The foregoing is a mandatory requirement of an award of a contract pursuant to this solicitation.

#### **4.7. RFQ Amendments & Cancellation**

- 4.7.1. The State reserves the right to amend this RFQ at any time, provided that it is amended in writing. However, prior to any such amendment, the State will consider whether it would negatively impact the ability of potential respondents to meet the deadlines and revise the RFQ Schedule of Events if deemed appropriate. If a RFQ amendment is issued, the State will convey it to potential respondents who submitted a Notice of Intent to Respond (refer to RFQ § 1.3). A response must respond, as required, to the final RFQ (including its attachments) as may be amended.
- 4.7.2. The State reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to cancel or to cancel and reissue this RFQ in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

#### **4.8. State Right of Rejection**

- 4.8.1. Subject to applicable laws and regulations, the State reserves the right to reject, at its sole discretion, any and all proposals.
- 4.8.2. The State may deem as nonresponsive and reject any proposal that does not comply with all terms, conditions, and performance requirements of this RFQ. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the State reserves the right to seek clarifications or to waive, at its sole discretion, a response's minor variances from full compliance with this RFQ. If the State waives variances in a response, such waiver shall not modify the RFQ requirements or excuse the Respondent from full compliance with such, and the State may hold any resulting vendor to strict compliance with this RFQ.
- 4.8.3. The State will review the response evaluation record and any other available information pertinent to whether or not each respondent is responsive and responsible. If the evaluation team identifies any respondent that appears not to meet the responsive and responsible thresholds such that the team would not recommend the respondent for potential contract award, this determination will be fully documented for the record. ("Responsive" is defined as submitting a response that conforms in all material respects to the RFQ. "Responsible" is defined as having the capacity in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements, and the integrity and reliability which will assure good faith performance.)

#### **4.9. Assignment & Subcontracting**

- 4.9.1. The vendor may not subcontract, transfer, or assign any portion of the Contract awarded as a result of this RFQ without prior approval of the State. The State reserves the right to refuse approval, at its sole discretion, of any subcontract, transfer, or assignment.
- 4.9.2. If a Respondent intends to use subcontractors, the response to this RFQ must specifically identify the scope and portions of the work each subcontractor will perform (refer to RFQ Attachment B, Item B.14.).
- 4.9.3. Subcontractors identified within a response to this RFQ will be deemed as approved by the State unless the State expressly disapproves one or more of the proposed subcontractors prior to signing the Contract.

4.9.4. The Contractor resulting from this RFQ may only substitute another subcontractor for a proposed subcontractor at the discretion of the State and with the State's prior, written approval.

4.9.5. Notwithstanding any State approval relating to subcontracts, the Contractor resulting from this RFQ will be the prime contractor and will be responsible for all work under the Contract.

4.10. **Next Ranked Respondent**

The State reserves the right to initiate negotiations with the next ranked respondent should the State cease doing business with any respondent selected via this RFQ process.

## 5. PROCUREMENT PROCESS & CONTRACT AWARD

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- 5.1. The complete vendor selection will be a two-part process: (1) Qualification of Technical Responses; and (2) Evaluation of Cost Proposals. Any contract award is subject to successful contract negotiation.
- 5.2. Qualification of Technical Responses: Technical Responses will be short-listed for further evaluation, analysis or negotiation if they are apparently responsive, responsible, and within the competitive range. A Technical Response will be deemed within the competitive range based on the following criterion:

The Respondent must obtain a minimum combined Technical Response score equivalent to 50 points.

Phase I: The State will evaluate the Mandatory Requirements set forth in RFQ Attachment A on a pass/fail basis.

Phase II: Following the Phase I evaluation, the State will apply a standard equitable evaluation model, which will represent a qualitative assessment of each response. Each response will be scored by Evaluation Team members according to the Technical Response & Evaluation Guides (See RFQ Attachments B & C).

The Solicitation Coordinator will total the average score from the evaluation team for each responsive and responsible Respondent's Technical Response Points for RFQ Attachments B & C to determine which of the Respondents are considered Qualified and within the competitive range.

- 5.3. Cost Proposals: If included as part of this solicitation then only Qualified Respondents, that are responsive and responsible and in the competitive range, will be eligible to continue onto Part Two, Cost Proposal evaluation. See RFQ Attachment D, Cost Proposal & Evaluation Guide.

The cost proposal containing the lowest cost will received the maximum number of points per each section. Costs provided with this proposal are to be maximum costs and not to be considered set costs.

- 5.4. Clarifications and Negotiations: The State reserves the right to award a contract on the basis of initial responses received; therefore, each response should contain the respondent's best terms from a technical and cost standpoint. However, the State reserves the right to conduct clarifications or negotiations with respondents. All communications, clarifications, and negotiations shall be conducted in a manner that supports fairness in response improvement.

5.4.1. Clarifications: The State may identify areas of a response that may require further clarification or areas in which it is apparent that there may have been miscommunications or misunderstandings as to the State's specifications or requirements. The State may seek to clarify those issues identified during one or multiple clarification round(s). Each clarification sought by the State may be unique to an individual respondent.

5.4.2. Negotiations: The State may elect to negotiate with Qualified Respondents, within the competitive range, by requesting revised responses, negotiating costs, or finalizing contract terms and conditions. The State reserves the right to conduct multiple negotiation rounds

5.4.2.1. Cost Negotiations: All responsive respondents within the competitive range will be given equivalent information with respect to cost negotiations. All cost

negotiations will be documented for the procurement file. Additionally, the State may conduct target pricing and other goods or services level negotiations. Target pricing may be based on considerations such as current pricing, market considerations, benchmarks, budget availability, or other methods that do not reveal individual respondent pricing. During target price negotiations, respondents are not obligated to meet or beat target prices, but will not be allowed to increase prices.

5.4.2.2. If the State determines costs and contract finalization discussions and negotiations are not productive, the State reserves the right to bypass the apparent best evaluated Respondent and enter into contract negotiations with the next apparent best evaluated Respondent.

5.5. Evaluation Guide

The State will consider qualifications, experience, technical approach, and cost (if applicable) in the evaluation of responses and award points in each of the categories detailed below. The maximum evaluation points possible for each category are detailed below.

Evaluation Category	Maximum Points Possible
Mandatory Requirements (refer to RFQ Attachment A)	Pass/Fail
General Qualifications, Experience, Technical Qualifications, Experience & Approach (refer to RFQ Attachment B)	30
Technical Qualifications, Experience & Approach (refer to RFQ Attachment C)	40
Cost Proposal (refer to RFQ Attachment D)	30

5.6. Contract Award:

- 5.6.1. The Solicitation Coordinator will submit the Evaluation Team determinations and response scores to the head of the contracting agency, or the agency head’s designee, for consideration along with any other relevant information that might be available and pertinent to contract award.
- 5.6.2. The contracting agency head, or the agency head’s designee, will determine the apparent best-evaluated response. (To affect a contract award to a Respondent other than the one receiving the highest evaluation score, the head of the contracting agency must provide written justification and obtain written approval of the Chief Procurement Officer and the Comptroller of the Treasury.)
- 5.6.3. The State reserves the right to make an award without further discussion of any response.
- 5.6.4. The State will issue an Evaluation Notice and make the RFQ files available for public inspection at the time and date specified in the RFQ §2, Schedule of Events.

**NOTICE:** The Evaluation Notice shall not create rights, interests, or claims of entitlement in either the Respondent identified as the apparent best evaluated or any other Respondent.

- 5.6.5. The Respondent identified as offering the apparent best-evaluated must sign a contract drawn by the State pursuant to this RFQ. The contract shall be substantially the same as the RFQ Attachment G, *pro forma* contract. The Respondent must sign said contract no

later than the Respondent Contract Signature Deadline detailed in RFQ § 2, Schedule of Events. If the Respondent fails to provide the signed contract by the deadline, the State may determine the Respondent is non-responsive to this RFQ and reject the response.

- 5.6.6. Notwithstanding foregoing, the State may, at its sole discretion, entertain limited negotiation prior to contract signing and, as a result, revise the *pro forma* contract terms and conditions or performance requirements in the State's best interests, PROVIDED THAT such revision of terms and conditions or performance requirements shall NOT materially affect the basis of response evaluation or negatively impact the competitive nature of the RFQ and vendor selection process.
- 5.6.7. If the State determines that a response is nonresponsive and rejects it after opening Cost Proposals, the Solicitation Coordinator will re-calculate scores for each remaining responsive Cost Proposal to determine (or re-determine) the apparent best-evaluated response.

### TECHNICAL RESPONSE & EVALUATION GUIDE

All Respondents must address all items detailed below and provide, in sequence, the information and documentation as required (referenced with the associated item references). All Respondents must also detail the response page number for each item in the appropriate space below.

The Solicitation Coordinator will review all responses to determine if the Mandatory Requirement Items are addressed as required and mark each with pass or fail. For each item that is not addressed as required, the Evaluation Team must review the responses and attach a written determination. In addition to the Mandatory Requirement Items, the Solicitation Coordinator will review each response for compliance with all RFQ requirements.

RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:			
Response Page # (Respondent completes)	Item Ref.	Section A— Mandatory Requirement Items	Pass/Fail
		The Technical Response must be delivered to the State no later than the Technical Response Deadline specified in the RFQ § 2, Schedule of Events.	
		The Technical Response must not contain cost or pricing information of any type.	
		The Technical Response must not contain any restrictions of the rights of the State or other qualification of the response.	
		A Respondent must not submit alternate responses.	
		A Respondent must not submit multiple responses in different forms (as a prime and a subcontractor).	
	<b>A.1.</b>	Provide the Statement of Certifications and Assurances (RFQ Attachment E) completed and signed by an individual empowered to bind the Respondent to the provisions of this RFQ and any resulting contract. The document must be signed without exception or qualification.	
	<b>A.2.</b>	Provide a statement, based upon reasonable inquiry, of whether the Respondent or any individual who shall perform work under the contract has a possible conflict of interest ( <i>e.g.</i> , employment by the State of Tennessee) and, if so, the nature of that conflict.  NOTE: Any questions of conflict of interest shall be solely within the discretion of the State, and the State reserves the right to cancel any award.	
	<b>A.3.</b>	Provide a current bank reference indicating that the Respondent's business relationship with the financial institution is in positive standing. Such reference must be written in the form of a standard business letter, signed, and dated within the past three (3) months.	
	<b>A.4.</b>	Provide two current positive credit references from vendors with which the Respondent has done business written in the form of standard business letters, signed, and dated within the past three (3) months.	

<b>RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:</b>			
<b>Response Page #</b> (Respondent completes)	<b>Item Ref.</b>	<b>Section A— Mandatory Requirement Items</b>	<b>Pass/Fail</b>
	<b>A.5.</b>	Provide an official document or letter from an accredited credit bureau, verified and dated within the last three (3) months and indicating a positive credit rating for the Respondent (NOTE: A credit bureau report number without the full report is insufficient and will <u>not</u> be considered responsive.)	
<i>State Use – RFQ Coordinator Signature, Printed Name &amp; Date:</i>			

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**SECTION B: GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS & EXPERIENCE.** The Respondent must address all items detailed below and provide, in sequence, the information and documentation as required (referenced with the associated item references). The Respondent must also detail the response page number for each item in the appropriate space below. Evaluation Team members will independently evaluate and assign one score for all responses to Section B—General Qualifications & Experience Items.

<b>RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:</b>		
<b>Response Page #</b> (Respondent completes)	<b>Item Ref.</b>	<b>Section B— General Qualifications &amp; Experience Items</b>
	<b>B.1.</b>	Detail the name, e-mail address, mailing address, telephone number, and facsimile number of the person the State should contact regarding the response.
	<b>B.2.</b>	Describe the Respondent's form of business ( <i>i.e.</i> , individual, sole proprietor, corporation, non-profit corporation, partnership, limited liability company) and business location (physical location or domicile).
	<b>B.3.</b>	Detail the number of years the Respondent has been in business.
	<b>B.4.</b>	Briefly describe how long the Respondent has been performing the goods or services required by this RFQ.
	<b>B.5.</b>	Describe the Respondent's number of employees, client base, and location of offices.
	<b>B.6.</b>	Provide a statement of whether there have been any mergers, acquisitions, or sales of the Respondent within the last ten (10) years. If so, include an explanation providing relevant details.
	<b>B.7.</b>	Provide a statement of whether the Respondent or, to the Respondent's knowledge, any of the Respondent's employees, agents, independent contractors, or subcontractors, proposed to provide work on a contract pursuant to this RFQ, have been convicted of, pled guilty to, or pled <i>nolo contendere</i> to any felony. If so, include an explanation providing relevant details.
	<b>B.8.</b>	Provide a statement of whether, in the last ten (10) years, the Respondent has filed (or had filed against it) any bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding, whether voluntary or involuntary, or undergone the appointment of a receiver, trustee, or assignee for the benefit of creditors. If so, include an explanation providing relevant details.
	<b>B.9.</b>	Provide a statement of whether there is any material, pending litigation against the Respondent that the Respondent should reasonably believe could adversely affect its ability to meet contract requirements pursuant to this RFQ or is likely to have a material adverse effect on the Respondent's financial condition. If such exists, list each separately, explain the relevant details, and attach the opinion of counsel addressing whether and to what extent it would impair the Respondent's performance in a contract pursuant to this RFQ.  NOTE: All persons, agencies, firms, or other entities that provide legal opinions regarding the Respondent must be properly licensed to render such opinions. The State may require the Respondent to submit proof of such licensure detailing the state of licensure and licensure number for each person or entity that renders such

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<b>Response Page #</b> (Respondent completes)	<b>Item Ref.</b>	<b>Section B— General Qualifications &amp; Experience Items</b>
		opinions.
	<b>B.10.</b>	<p>Provide a statement of whether there is any pending or in progress Securities Exchange Commission investigations involving the Respondent. If such exists, list each separately, explain the relevant details, and attach the opinion of counsel addressing whether and to what extent it will impair the Respondent's performance in a contract pursuant to this RFQ.</p> <p>NOTE: All persons, agencies, firms, or other entities that provide legal opinions regarding the Respondent must be properly licensed to render such opinions. The State may require the Respondent to submit proof of such licensure detailing the state of licensure and licensure number for each person or entity that renders such opinions.</p>
	<b>B.11.</b>	Provide a brief, descriptive statement detailing evidence of the Respondent's ability to deliver the goods or services sought under this RFQ ( <i>e.g.</i> , prior experience, training, certifications, resources, program and quality management systems, <i>etc.</i> ).
	<b>B.12.</b>	Provide a narrative description of the proposed contract team, its members, and organizational structure along with an organizational chart identifying the key people who will be assigned to provide the goods or services required by this RFQ, illustrating the lines of authority, and designating the individual responsible for the completion of each task and deliverable of the RFQ.
	<b>B.13.</b>	Provide a personnel roster listing the names of key people who the Respondent will assign to perform tasks required by this RFQ along with the estimated number of hours that each individual will devote to the required tasks. Follow the personnel roster with a resume for each of the people listed. The resumes must detail the individual's title, education, current position with the Respondent, and employment history.
	<b>B.14.</b>	<p>Provide a statement of whether the Respondent intends to use subcontractors to accomplish the work required by this RFQ, and if so, detail:</p> <p>(a) the names of the subcontractors along with the contact person, mailing address, telephone number, and e-mail address for each;</p> <p>(b) a description of the scope and portions of the work each subcontractor will perform; <u>and</u></p> <p>(c) a statement specifying that each proposed subcontractor has expressly assented to being proposed as a subcontractor in the Respondent's response to this RFQ.</p>
	<b>B.15.</b>	<p>Provide documentation of the Respondent's commitment to diversity as represented by its business strategy, business relationships, and workforce— this documentation should detail <u>all</u> of the following:</p> <p>(a) a description of the Respondent's existing programs and procedures designed to encourage and foster commerce with business enterprises owned by minorities, women, Tennessee service-disabled veterans and small business enterprises;</p> <p>(b) a listing of the Respondent's current contracts with business enterprises owned</p>

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		<p>by minorities, women, Tennessee service-disabled veterans and small business enterprises, including the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) contract description and total value</li> <li>(ii) Contractor name and ownership characteristics (e.g. ethnicity, gender, and service-disabled veteran); and</li> <li>(iii) Contractor contact and telephone number;</li> </ul> <p>(c) an estimate of the level of participation by business enterprises owned by minorities, women, Tennessee service-disabled veterans and small business enterprises in a contract awarded to the Respondent pursuant to this RFQ, including the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) participation estimate (expressed as a percent of the total contract value that will be dedicated to business with subcontractors and supply contractors having such ownership characteristics — <b>PERCENTAGES ONLY — DO NOT INCLUDE DOLLAR AMOUNTS</b>)</li> <li>(ii) descriptions of anticipated contracts</li> <li>(iii) names and ownership characteristics (e.g. ethnicity, gender, service-disabled veteran) of anticipated subcontractors and supply contractors anticipated; and</li> <li>(d) the percent of the Respondent's total current employees by ethnicity, gender and Tennessee service-disabled veterans</li> </ul> <p>NOTE: Respondents that demonstrate a commitment to diversity will advance State efforts to expand opportunity to do business with the State as contractors and subcontractors. Response evaluations will identify the positive qualifications and experience of a Respondent doing business with enterprises owned by minorities, women, Tennessee service-disabled veterans and small business enterprises and that offers a diverse workforce to meet the needs of the State.</p>
	<b>B.16.</b>	<p>Provide a statement of whether or not the Respondent has any current contracts with the State of Tennessee or has completed any contracts with the State of Tennessee within the previous 5-year period. If so, provide the following information for all current and completed contracts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the name, title, telephone number and e-mail address of the State contact responsible for the contract at issue;</li> <li>(b) the name of the procuring State agency;</li> <li>(c) a brief description of the contract's specification for goods or scope of services;</li> <li>(d) the contract term; and</li> <li>(e) the contract number.</li> </ul> <p>NOTES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Current or prior contracts with the State are <u>not</u> a prerequisite and are <u>not</u> required for the maximum evaluation score, and the existence of such contracts with the State will <u>not</u> automatically result in the addition or deduction of evaluation points.</li> <li>▪ Each evaluator will generally consider the results of inquiries by the State regarding all contracts responsive to Section B.16 of this RFQ.</li> </ul>
	<b>B.17.</b>	<p>Provide customer references from individuals (who are <u>not</u> current or former officials or staff of the State of Tennessee) for projects similar to the goods or services sought under this RFQ and which represent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ two (2) of the larger accounts currently serviced by the Respondent, <u>and</u></li> <li>▪ three (3) completed projects.</li> </ul>

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		<p>All references must be provided in the form of standard reference questionnaires that have been fully completed by the individual providing the reference as required. The standard reference questionnaire, which <u>must</u> be used and completed as required, is detailed at RFQ Attachment F. References that are not completed as required will be considered nonresponsive and will not be considered.</p> <p>The Respondent will be <u>solely</u> responsible for obtaining the fully completed reference questionnaires, and for including them within the Respondent’s sealed Technical Response. In order to obtain and submit the completed reference questionnaires, as required, follow the process detailed below:</p> <p>(a) “Customize” the standard reference questionnaire at Attachment F by adding the subject Respondent’s name, and make exact duplicates for completion by references.</p> <p>(b) Send the customized reference questionnaires to each individual chosen to provide a reference along with a new standard #10 envelope.</p> <p>(c) Instruct the person who will provide a reference for the Respondent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) complete the reference questionnaire (on the form provided or prepared, completed, and printed using an exact duplicate of the document);</li> <li>(ii) sign <u>and</u> date the completed, reference questionnaire;</li> <li>(iii) seal the completed, signed, and dated, reference questionnaire within the envelope provided;</li> <li>(iv) sign his or her name in ink across the sealed portion of the envelope; and</li> <li>(v) return the sealed envelope containing the completed reference questionnaire directly to the Respondent (the Respondent may wish to give each reference a deadline, such that the Respondent will be able to collect all required references in time to include them within the sealed Technical Response).</li> </ul> <p>(d) <u>Do NOT open the sealed references upon receipt.</u></p> <p>(e) Enclose all <u>sealed</u> reference envelopes within a larger, labeled envelope for inclusion in the Technical Response as required.</p> <p><b>NOTES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The State will not accept late references or references submitted by any means other than that which is described above, and each reference questionnaire submitted must be completed as required.</li> <li>▪ The State will not review more than the number of required references indicated above.</li> <li>▪ While the State will base its reference check on the contents of the sealed reference envelopes included in the Technical Response package, the State reserves the right to confirm and clarify information detailed in the completed reference questionnaires, and may consider clarification responses in the evaluation of references.</li> <li>▪ The State is under <u>no</u> obligation to clarify any reference information.</li> </ul>
	<b>B.18.</b>	<p>Provide a statement and any relevant details addressing whether the Respondent is any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal or state department or agency;</li> <li>(b) has within the past three (3) years, been convicted of, or had a civil judgment rendered against the contracting party from commission of fraud, or a criminal offence in connection with obtaining, attempting to</li> </ul>

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		<p>obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or grant under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;</p> <p>(c) is presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses detailed above; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ has within a three (3) year period preceding the contract had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.</li> </ul>
<b>SCORE (for <u>all</u> Section B— Qualifications &amp; Experience Items above):</b> (maximum possible score = 30)		
<i>State Use – Evaluator Identification:</i>		

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**SECTION C: TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE & APPROACH.** The Respondent should explain its approach to providing goods or services to the State. The items listed below represent specific questions the State would request you answer in your response. For ease of review, please annotate your explanation so that it contains references to the items listed below where they are addressed. Respondent should not feel constrained to answer only the specific questions listed below in its explanation and should feel free to provide attachments if necessary in an effort to provide a more thorough response.

The Evaluation Team, made up of three (3) or more State employees, will independently evaluate and score the response to each item. Each evaluator will use the following whole number, raw point scale for scoring each item:

**0 = little value 1 = poor 2 = fair 3 = satisfactory 4 = good 5 = excellent**

The Solicitation Coordinator will multiply the Item Score by the associated Evaluation Factor (indicating the relative emphasis of the item in the overall evaluation). The resulting product will be the item's raw, weighted score for purposes of calculating the section scores as indicated.

RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:					
Response Page # (Respondent completes)	Item Ref.	Section C— Technical Qualifications, Experience & Approach Items	Item Score	Evaluation Factor	Raw Weighted Score
		Fictional Scenario: The State has work in Chester County, TN with scope of services as listed under RFQ Sections 1.1.1, 1.1.2, 1.1.3, 1.1.4, 1.1.5, 1.1.9, 1.1.10, 1.1.12, and 1.1.17. Activities will be done in sequence and all services completed in year 2014. Respondent is required to provide the narratives given below.			
	C.1.	Provide a narrative that illustrates the Respondent's understanding of the State's requirements and project schedule. Limit written text to three (3) pages.		10	
	C.2.	Provide a narrative that illustrates how the Respondent will complete the delivery of goods or scope of services, accomplish required objectives, and meet the State's project schedule. Limit written text to ten(10) pages.		15	
	C.3.	Provide a narrative that illustrates how the Respondent will manage the project, ensure delivery of specified goods or completion of the scope of services, and accomplish required objectives within the State's project schedule. Limit written text to five (5) pages.		15	
<i>The Solicitation Coordinator will use this sum and the formula below to calculate the section score. All calculations will use and result in numbers rounded to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point.</i>			<b>Total Raw Weighted Score:</b> <i>(sum of Raw Weighted Scores above)</i>		
<b>Total Raw Weighted Score</b> <hr/> <b>Maximum Possible Raw Weighted Score</b> <i>(i.e., 5 x the sum of item weights above)</i>			<b>X40</b> <i>(maximum possible score)</i>		<b>= SCORE:</b>

<b>RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:</b>					
<b>Response Page #</b> (Respondent completes)	<b>Item Ref.</b>	<b>Section C— Technical Qualifications, Experience &amp; Approach Items</b>	<b>Item Score</b>	<b>Evaluation Factor</b>	<b>Raw Weighted Score</b>
<i>State Use – Evaluator Identification:</i>					
<i>State Use – Solicitation Coordinator Signature, Printed Name &amp; Date:</i>					

**Cost Proposal & Evaluation Guide**  
*For Qualified Respondents Only*

**NOTICE:** THIS COST PROPOSAL MUST BE COMPLETED EXACTLY AS REQUIRED

**COST PROPOSAL SCHEDULE**— The Cost Proposal, detailed below, shall indicate the proposed price for the delivery of specified goods for the entire scope of services including all services defined in the Scope of Services of the RFQ Attachment G, *pro forma* Contract and for the entire contract period. The Cost Proposal shall remain valid for at least 120 days subsequent to the date of the Cost Proposal opening and thereafter in accordance with any contract resulting from this RFQ. All monetary amounts shall be in U.S. currency and limited to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point.

**NOTICE:** The Evaluation Factor associated with each line item of cost is for evaluation purposes only. The evaluation factors do NOT and should NOT be construed as any type of volume guarantee or minimum purchase quantity. The evaluation factors shall NOT create rights, interests, or claims of entitlement in the Respondent.

Notwithstanding the line item of costs herein, pursuant to the second paragraph of the *pro forma* contract section C.1. (refer to RFQ Attachment G), "The State is under no obligation to request work from the Contractor in any specific dollar amounts or to request any work at all from the Contractor during any period of this Contract." Costs provided with this proposal are to be maximum costs and not to be considered to be set costs.

This Cost Proposal must be signed, in the space below, by an individual empowered to bind the proposing entity to the provisions of this RFQ and any contract awarded pursuant to it. If said individual is not the *President* or *Chief Executive Officer*, this document must attach evidence showing the individual's authority to legally bind the proposing entity.

<b>RESPONDENT SIGNATURE:</b>			
<b>PRINTED NAME &amp; TITLE:</b>			
<b>DATE:</b>			
<b>RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:</b>			
<b>Line item of cost Description</b>	<b>Proposed Cost</b>	<b>State Use Only</b>	
		<b>Evaluation Factor</b>	<b>Evaluation Cost</b> (cost x factor)
Principal-In-Charge (f)	\$ / Hour		
Project Manager (g)	\$ / Hour		
Geologist (h)	\$ / Hour		

<b>RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:</b>			
<b>Line item of cost Description</b>	<b>Proposed Cost</b>	<b>State Use Only</b>	
		<b>Evaluation Factor</b>	<b>Evaluation Cost (cost x factor)</b>
On-Site Coordinator (a) (e) (i)	\$ / Hour		
Senior Technician (a) (e) (j)	\$ / Hour		
Technician (a) (e) (k)	\$ / Hour		
Equipment Operator (a) (e) (l)	\$ / Hour		
Truck Driver (a) (e) (m)	\$ / Hour		
General Laborer (a) (e) (n)	\$ / Hour		
Draftsperson / GIS Operator (o)	\$ / Hour		
Clerical Staff (p)	\$ / Hour		
OSHA Level A PPE (b)	\$ /Day/ Person		
OSHA Level A Extra Air Bottle (b)	\$ / Day		
OSHA Level B PPE with Tyvek Suit (b)	\$ /Day/ Person		
OSHA Level B PPE with Saran-Coated Suit (b)	\$ /Day/ Person		
OSHA Level B PPE with Acid Suit (b)	\$ /Day/ Person		
OSHA Level B Extra Air Bottle (b)	\$ / Day		
OSHA Level C PPE with Tyvek Suit (b)	\$ /Day/ Person		

<b>RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:</b>			
<b>Line item of cost Description</b>	<b>Proposed Cost</b>	<b>State Use Only</b>	
		<b>Evaluation Factor</b>	<b>Evaluation Cost (cost x factor)</b>
OSHA Level C PPE with Saran-Coated Suit (b)	\$ /Day/ Person		
OSHA Level C PPE with Acid Suit (b)	\$ /Day/ Person		
Service Truck greater than one ton for equipment, materials and supplies (c)	\$ / Mile		
Equipment Trailer Pulled By Service Truck To Store Supplies, Equipment and Materials on Site	\$ / Day		
Transport of Heavy Equipment to and from Site	\$ / Mile		
Bobcat with Standard Bucket (d)	\$ / Day		
Backhoe, 50 HP or less (d)	\$ / Day		
Backhoe, 90 HP or less (d)	\$ / Day		
Track hoe 90 HP or less (d)	\$ / Day		
Track hoe 91 HP to 130 HP (d)	\$ / Day		
Track hoe 131 HP or greater (d)	\$ / Day		
Rubber Tire Loader 2 CY Bucket (d)	\$ / Day		
Track Loader, 2 CY Bucket (d)	\$ / Day		
CAT Dozer, D6 or equivalent (d)	\$ / Day		
Dump Truck, single axle 7-10 CY (d)	\$ / Day		

<b>RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:</b>			
<b>Line item of cost Description</b>	<b>Proposed Cost</b>	<b>State Use Only</b>	
		<b>Evaluation Factor</b>	<b>Evaluation Cost (cost x factor)</b>
Dump Truck, dual axle 12-15 CY (d)	\$ / Day		
Dump Truck, tri-axle 15-18 CY (d)	\$ / Day		
Field Tractor, 40 HP (d)	\$ / Day		
Overpack Drum for 55 Gal	\$ / Each		
Drum for disposing materials	\$ /Each		
Manual Drum Grappler Attachment	\$ / Day		
Hydraulic Drum Grappler Attachment (d)	\$ / Day		
Manual Drum Rotator Attachment	\$ / Day		
Hydraulic Drum Rotator Attachment (d)	\$ / Day		
Generator, 5 KW (d)	\$ / Day		
<b>EVALUATION COST AMOUNT</b> (sum of evaluation costs above): The RFQ Coordinator will use this sum and the formula below to calculate the Cost Proposal Score. Numbers rounded to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point will be standard for calculations.			
$\frac{\text{lowest evaluation cost amount from all responses}}{\text{evaluation cost amount being evaluated}}$		$\times 30$ (maximum section score)	= <b>SCORE:</b>
<i>State Use – RFQ Coordinator Signature, Printed Name &amp; Date:</i>			

Attachment D Notes:

- (a) Personnel rate for field personnel includes OSHA Level D PPE, and the State will not pay to launder personnel wear.
- (b) PPE rate includes costs to decontaminate the PPE.
- (c) Mileage rate for service truck lighter than one (1) ton will be reimbursed, if applicable, in accordance with State Travel Regulations.
- (d) Field equipment rate is for properly functioning equipment including cost for fuel, oil, filters, etc. to run the equipment for the time duration, and the State will not pay for material or labor costs associated with equipment breakdown. Specialty attachment to field equipment will be paid in addition to the rate if approved by the State when needed.
- (e) All field personnel must have the required OSHA certification.
- (f) The Principal-In-Charge is responsible for the oversight of all the Contractor's staff assigned to work on a site and must have authority to obligate proposer's equipment and personnel to perform the required services. This person shall have a B.S. or M.S. degree in geology, engineering or other appropriate science and ten (10) years of experience in conducting this Contract scope of services as well as five (5) years of experience as a supervisor of technical staff.
- (g) The Project Manager must have the authority to supervise and assign tasks to Contractor's staff to perform the required services, and must be able to prepare cost estimates, determine project schedules, and make field decisions.
- (h) The Geologist must be a registered geologist in the State of Tennessee and shall have three (3) years full-time geologic experience in performing this Contract scope of services. This person shall have a working knowledge of the geology of the different geological provinces of the State.
- (i) The On-Site Coordinator shall have a minimum of three (3) years of experience in undertaking this Contract scope of services, QA/QC protocols, construction, field supervision, and must also understand and utilize engineering drawings, plans, and specifications.
- (j) The Senior Technician shall be a high school graduate or has passed the General Equivalency Diploma (GED) test, and have at least five (5) years of experience with increasing complexity working with hazardous substances and implementing this Contract scope of services. This person is a site worker and shall be competent in remediation equipment inspection and troubleshooting, and in the oversight of other staff in field procedures including OSHA safety and decontamination.
- (k) The Technician shall be a high school graduate or has passed the General Equivalency Diploma (GED) test. This person is a site worker and assists the senior technician in field activities.
- (l) The Equipment Operator must have the training, expertise and ability to safely operate the equipment needed to perform this Contract scope of services. This person shall be knowledgeable of the capacities and limitations of the equipment to be used and must be familiar with all applicable laws and regulations.
- (m) The Truck Driver must have a valid driver's license to legally drive the commercial vehicle needed to perform this Contract scope of services. This person must also be familiar with Department of Transportation (DOT) Subchapter C Hazardous Material Regulations in 49 CFR 171 et seq and have a minimum of three years of experience transporting hazardous materials in compliance with said regulations.
- (n) The General Laborer general laborers shall be a high school graduate or has passed the General Equivalency Diploma (GED) test. General laborer includes surveyor helpers, construction workers and other site workers not included in other categories.

- (o) The Draftsperson / GIS Operator must have two (2) years of full time experience in drafting and GIS work, or an associate degree with emphasis on drafting, CAD, and GIS operation plus one year experience. This person must be able to develop scale maps, as built drawings, and contour maps of professional quality.
- (p) The Clerical Staff must be proficient in report and invoice preparation and in billing protocols required by this Contract.

**STATEMENT OF CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES**

An individual responding in his or her individual capacity or legally empowered to contractually bind the Respondent must complete and sign the Statement of Certifications and Assurances below as required, and this signed statement must be included with the response as required by the Request for Qualifications.

**The Respondent does, hereby, expressly affirm, declare, confirm, certify, and assure ALL of the following:**

1. The Respondent will comply with all of the provisions and requirements of the RFQ.
2. The Respondent will provide all specified goods or services as required by the contract awarded pursuant to this RFQ.
3. The Respondent accepts and agrees to all terms and conditions set out in the contract awarded pursuant to this RFQ.
4. The Respondent acknowledges and agrees that a contract resulting from the RFQ shall incorporate, by reference, all Response responses as a part of the contract.
5. The Respondent will comply, as applicable, with:
  - (a) the laws of the State of Tennessee;
  - (b) Title VI of the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964;
  - (c) Title IX of the federal Education Amendments Act of 1972;
  - (d) the Equal Employment Opportunity Act and the regulations issued there under by the federal government; and,
  - (e) the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the regulations issued there under by the federal government.
6. To the best of the undersigned's knowledge, information or belief, the information detailed within the Response to the RFQ is accurate.
7. The Response submitted to the RFQ was independently prepared, without collusion, and under penalty of perjury.
8. No amount shall be paid directly or indirectly to an employee or official of the State of Tennessee as wages, compensation, or gifts in exchange for acting as an officer, agent, employee, subcontractor, or consultant to the Respondent in connection with the request or any potential resulting contract.
9. The Response submitted in response to the RFQ shall remain valid for at least 120 days subsequent to the date of the Response opening and thereafter in accordance with any contract pursuant to the RFQ.

**By signature below, the signatory certifies legal authority to bind the responding entity to the provisions of this request and any contract awarded pursuant to it. The State may, at its sole discretion and at any time, require evidence documenting the signatory's authority to be personally bound or to legally bind the responding entity.**

**DO NOT SIGN THIS DOCUMENT IF YOU ARE NOT LEGALLY AUTHORIZED TO DO SO BY THE ENTITY RESPONDING TO THIS RFQ.**

**SIGNATURE & DATE:**

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**PRINTED NAME & TITLE:**

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**LEGAL ENTITY NAME:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**FEIN or SSN:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**REFERENCE QUESTIONNAIRE**

**The standard reference questionnaire provided on the following pages of this attachment MUST be completed by all individuals offering a reference for the Respondent.**

The Respondent will be responsible for obtaining completed reference questionnaires as required (refer to RFQ Attachment B, General Qualifications & Experience Items, Item B.17.), and for enclosing the sealed reference envelopes within the Respondent's Technical Proposal.

**RFQ # 32701-02165 REFERENCE QUESTIONNAIRE**

**RESPONDENT NAME:** **RESPONDENT NAME** (completed by respondent before reference is requested)

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The "respondent name" specified above, intends to submit a response to the State of Tennessee in response to the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) indicated. As a part of such response, the respondent must include a number of completed and sealed reference questionnaires (using this form).

Each individual responding to this reference questionnaire is asked to follow these instructions:

- complete this questionnaire (either using the form provided or an exact duplicate of this document);
  - sign and date the completed questionnaire;
  - seal the completed, signed, and dated questionnaire in a new standard #10 envelope;
  - sign in ink across the sealed portion of the envelope; and
  - return the sealed envelope containing the completed questionnaire directly to the respondent.
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**(1) What is the name of the individual, company, organization, or entity responding to this reference questionnaire?**

**(2) Please provide the following information about the individual completing this reference questionnaire on behalf of the above-named individual, company, organization, or entity.**

<b>NAME:</b>	
<b>TITLE:</b>	
<b>TELEPHONE #</b>	
<b>E-MAIL ADDRESS:</b>	

**(3) What goods or services do/did the vendor provide to your company or organization?**

**(4) What is the level of your overall satisfaction with the vendor of the goods or services described above?**

*Please respond by circling the appropriate number on the scale below.*

**1                    2                    3                    4                    5**

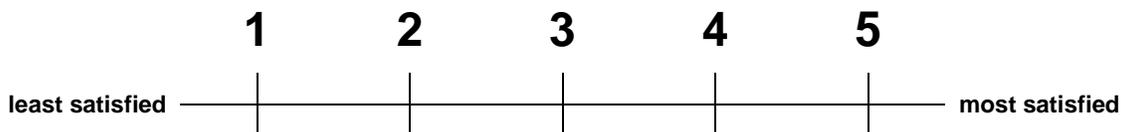
least satisfied    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    most satisfied



If you circled 3 or less above, what could the vendor have done to improve that rating?

- (5) If the goods or services that the vendor provided to your company or organization are completed, were the goods or services completed in compliance with the terms of the contract, on time, and within budget? If not, please explain.
  
- (6) If the vendor is still providing goods or services to your company or organization, are these goods or services being provided in compliance with the terms of the contract, on time, and within budget? If not, please explain.
  
- (7) How satisfied are you with the vendor's ability to perform based on your expectations and according to the contractual arrangements?
  
- (8) In what areas of goods or service delivery do/did the vendor excel?
  
- (9) In what areas of goods or service delivery do/did the vendor fall short?
  
- (10) What is the level of your satisfaction with the vendor's project management structures, processes, and personnel?

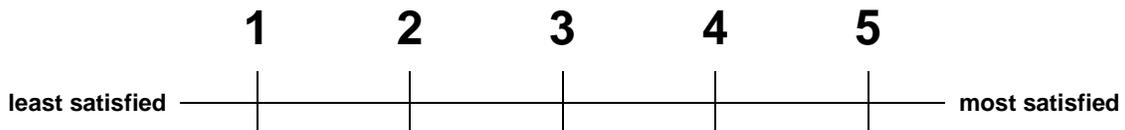
*Please respond by circling the appropriate number on the scale below.*



What, if any, comments do you have regarding the score selected above?

- (11) Considering the staff assigned by the vendor to deliver the goods or services described in response to question 3 above, how satisfied are you with the technical abilities, professionalism, and interpersonal skills of the individuals assigned?

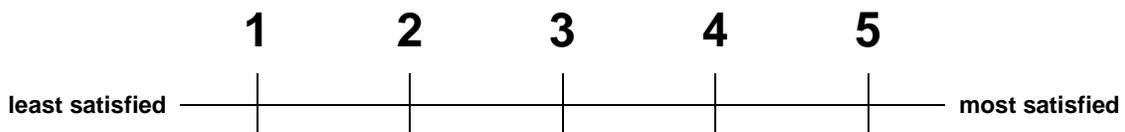
*Please respond by circling the appropriate number on the scale below.*



What, if any, comments do you have regarding the score selected above?

- (12) Would you contract again with the vendor for the same or similar goods or services?

*Please respond by circling the appropriate number on the scale below.*



What, if any, comments do you have regarding the score selected above?

**REFERENCE SIGNATURE:**

(by the individual completing this request for reference information)

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(must be the same as the signature across the envelope seal)

**DATE:**

**RFQ # 32701-02165PRO FORMA CONTRACT**

The *pro forma* contract detailed in following pages of this exhibit contains some “blanks” (signified by descriptions in capital letters) that will be completed with appropriate information in the final contract resulting from the RFQ.



# CONTRACT

(fee-for-goods or services contract with an individual, business, non-profit, or governmental entity of another state)

<b>Begin Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>	<b>Agency Tracking #</b>	<b>Edison Record ID</b>
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<b>Contractor Legal Entity Name</b>	<b>Edison Vendor ID</b>
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**Goods or Services Caption** (one line only)  
 Site Work and Environmental Remediation

<b>Subrecipient or Contractor</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Subrecipient <input type="checkbox"/> Contractor	<b>CFDA #</b>
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Funding —					
FY	State	Federal	Interdepartmental	Other	TOTAL Contract Amount
<b>TOTAL:</b>					

**Contractor Ownership Characteristics:**

Minority Business Enterprise (MBE): African American, Asian American, Hispanic American, Native American

Woman Business Enterprise (WBE)

Tennessee Service Disabled Veteran Enterprise (SDVBE)

Tennessee Small Business Enterprise (SBE): \$10,000,000.00 averaged over a three (3) year period or employs no more than ninety-nine (99) employees.

Other:

**Selection Method & Process Summary** (mark the correct response to confirm the associated summary)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Competitive Selection	Describe the competitive selection process used
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	Describe the selection process used and submit a Special Contract Request

**Budget Officer Confirmation:** There is a balance in the appropriation from which obligations hereunder are required to be paid that is not already encumbered to pay other obligations.

<b>Speed Chart</b> (optional)	<b>Account Code</b> (optional)
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**CONTRACT**  
**BETWEEN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE,**  
**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION**  
**AND**  
**CONTRACTOR NAME**

This Contract, by and between the State of Tennessee, Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) (“State”) and **Contractor Legal Entity Name** (“Contractor”), is for the provision of **Scope of Goods or Services Caption**, as further defined in the "SCOPE." State and Contractor may be referred to individually as a “Party” or collectively as the “Parties” to this Contract.

The Contractor is **a/an Individual, For-Profit Corporation, Non-Profit Corporation, Special Purpose Corporation Or Association, Partnership, Joint Venture, Or Limited Liability Company.**

Contractor Place of Incorporation or Organization: **Location**

Contractor Edison Registration ID # **Number**

**A. SCOPE:**

- A.1. The Contractor shall provide all goods or services and deliverables as required, described, and detailed below and shall meet all service and delivery timelines as specified by this Contract.
- A.2. Services that the State may require the Contractor to provide are, but not limited to, the following:
- a. Excavation, removal, and disposal of contaminated soil and sediment with subsequent sampling.
  - b. Installation of groundwater recovery wells with subsequent sampling.
  - c. Restoration of landfill cap, and construction of cap over contaminated land areas.
  - d. Decontamination of building, machinery, and debris, and their removal and disposal.
  - e. Placing physical barrier, chemical, or other material to deter or control the spread of contamination, and mitigating its effects.
  - f. Vegetation control, removal and disposal.
  - g. Land grading, erosion, and drainage control.
  - h. Installation and restoration of perimeter fencing.
  - i. Evaluating the regulatory and financial status, including feasibility and availability, of an offsite facility for utilization as a treatment, storage, or disposal (TSD) location. Contractor shall request approval from the State prior to utilizing the TSD location.
  - j. Arranging and transporting hazardous material containing hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants offsite in compliance with Department of Transportation (DOT) regulations, including maintaining a manned phone number answering service while material is in transit.
  - k. Closure to monitoring or recovery wells.
  - l. Sampling open and closed containers, and removing and disposing of the contents and the containers.
  - m. Installation of passive soil gas extraction system.
  - n. Removal and disposal of released material including any contaminated soil, sediment, surface water, ground water, waste, or sludge.
  - o. Treatment and/or stabilization of hazardous constituents in soil, sediment, surface water, ground water, waste, or sludge.
  - p. Operating and maintaining remediation systems.
  - q. Determining whether remaining waste, contaminated soil, hazardous substance(s), or other material constitutes a hazardous waste, and handling it consistent with RCRA.
  - r. Reclaiming free product.
  - s. Undertaking other site work and environmental remediation as requested by the State.

- t. Determining response actions necessary to stabilize and mitigate immediate hazards and threats that occur, when the above or other services are being performed, in order to protect human health and the environment, and ensure public safety.

Deliverables that the State may request from Contractor are, but not limited to, the following:

- i. Site work report.
- ii. Site remediation report.
- iii. Laboratory analysis result.
- iv. Remediation System Operation and Maintenance report.
- v. Contractor Contract obligations.
- vi. Other deliverables as requested by the State.

This Contract for site work and environmental remediation services is awarded to three additional Contractors. When the State has a project requiring these services, the Tennessee Division of Remediation (TDoR) will issue a Request For Bid (RFB) to these four Contractors. If there are no Contractor comments or additional information requiring modification of the RFB, TDoR will evaluate Contractor bids to select a successful bidder followed later by a Notice To Proceed (NTP) to the successful Contractor to commence work. The State reserves the right to initiate negotiations with the next ranked Request for Qualifications (RFQ) respondent should the State cease doing business with a Contractor.

Where sampling may be required, the Contractor will ensure that the procedures used shall be designed to ensure that the data collected is of sufficient quality to make defensible decisions and to be used in legal proceedings, if necessary. Collected samples shall be analyzed by the current methods or other methods as authorized and approved by the State with the results given in ug/l or mg/l units of measure for aqueous samples and in ug/kg or mg/kg for non-aqueous samples; units of measure shall not be given in parts per million (ppm) or parts per billion (ppb).

At all times during this contract, the Contractor will provide recommendations for financial savings, improved data acquisition, or a more protective or efficient site service.

- A.3. Warranty. Contractor represents and warrants that throughout the Term of this Contract (“Warranty Period”), the goods or services provided under this Contract shall conform to the terms and conditions of this Contract. Any nonconformance of the goods or services to the terms and conditions of this Contract shall constitute a “Defect” and shall be considered “Defective.” If Contractor receives notice of a Defect during the Warranty Period, then Contractor shall correct the Defect, at no additional charge.

Contractor represents and warrants that all goods or services provided under this Contract shall be provided in a timely and professional manner, by qualified and skilled individuals, in conformity with standards generally accepted in Contractor’s industry.

If Contractor fails to provide the goods or services as warranted, then Contractor will re-provide the goods or services at no additional charge. If Contractor is unable or unwilling to re-provide the goods or services as warranted, then the State shall be entitled to recover the fees paid to Contractor for the Defective goods or services.

- A.4. Inspection and Acceptance. The State shall have the right to inspect all goods or services provided by Contractor under this Contract. If, upon inspection, the State determines that the goods or services are Defective, the State shall notify Contractor, and Contractor shall re-deliver the goods or provide the services at no additional cost to the State. If after a period of thirty (30) days following delivery of goods or performance of services the State does not provide a notice of any Defects, the goods or services shall be deemed to have been accepted by the State.

**B. TERM OF CONTRACT:**

This Contract shall be effective on **DATE** ("Effective Date") and extend for a period of sixty (60) months after the Effective Date ("Term"). The State shall have no obligation for goods or services provided by the Contractor prior to the Effective Date.

**C. PAYMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

C.1. Maximum Liability. In no event shall the maximum liability of the State under this Contract exceed **Written Dollar Amount (\$Number)** ("Maximum Liability"). This Contract does not grant the Contractor any exclusive rights. The State does not guarantee that it will buy any minimum quantity of goods or services under this Contract. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Contract, the Contractor will only be paid for goods or services provided under this Contract after a purchase order is issued to Contractor by the State or as otherwise specified by this Contract.

C.2. Compensation Firm. The payment methodology in Section C.3 and the Travel Compensation provided in Section C.4 shall constitute the entire compensation due the Contractor for all goods or services provided under this Contract regardless of the difficulty, materials or equipment required. The payment methodology includes all applicable taxes, fees, overhead, and all other direct or indirect costs incurred or to be incurred by the Contractor.

C.3. Payment Methodology. The Contractor shall be compensated based on the payment methodology for goods or services authorized by the State in a total amount as set forth in Section C.1.

a. The Contractor's compensation shall be contingent upon the satisfactory provision of goods or services as set forth in Section A.

b. The Contractor shall be compensated based upon the following payment rates:

(1) For service performed from **Date**, through June 30, 2015, the rates in the table below shall be the applicable maximum rates.

Line item of cost Description	Proposed Cost
Principal-In-Charge (f)	\$ / Hour
Project Manager (g)	\$ / Hour
Geologist (h)	\$ / Hour
On-Site Coordinator (a) (e) (i)	\$ / Hour
Senior Technician (a) (e) (j)	\$ / Hour

Line item of cost Description	Proposed Cost
Technician (a) (e) (k)	\$ / Hour
Equipment Operator (a) (e) (l)	\$ / Hour
Truck Driver (a) (e) (m)	\$ / Hour
General Laborer (a) (e) (n)	\$ / Hour
Draftsperson / GIS Operator (o)	\$ / Hour
Clerical Staff (p)	\$ / Hour
OSHA Level A PPE (b)	\$ /Day/ Person
OSHA Level A Extra Air Bottle (b)	\$ / Day
OSHA Level B PPE with Tyvek Suit (b)	\$ /Day/ Person
OSHA Level B PPE with Saran-Coated Suit (b)	\$ /Day/ Person
OSHA Level B PPE with Acid Suit (b)	\$ /Day/ Person
OSHA Level B Extra Air Bottle (b)	\$ / Day
OSHA Level C PPE with Tyvek Suit (b)	\$ /Day/ Person
OSHA Level C PPE with Saran-Coated Suit (b)	\$ /Day/ Person
OSHA Level C PPE with Acid Suit (b)	\$ /Day/ Person
Service Truck greater than one ton for equipment, materials and supplies (c)	\$ / Mile
Equipment Trailer Pulled By Service Truck To Store Supplies, Equipment and Materials on Site	\$ / Day

Line item of cost Description	Proposed Cost
Transport of Heavy Equipment to and from Site	\$ / Mile
Bobcat with Standard Bucket (d)	\$ / Day
Backhoe, 50 HP or less (d)	\$ / Day
Backhoe, 90 HP or less (d)	\$ / Day
Track hoe 90 HP or less (d)	\$ / Day
Track hoe 91 HP to 130 HP (d)	\$ / Day
Track hoe 131 HP or greater (d)	\$ / Day
Rubber Tire Loader 2 CY Bucket (d)	\$ / Day
Track Loader, 2 CY Bucket (d)	\$ / Day
CAT Dozer, D6 or equivalent (d)	\$ / Day
Dump Truck, single axle 7-10 CY (d)	\$ / Day
Dump Truck, dual axle 12-15 CY (d)	\$ / Day
Dump Truck, tri-axle 15-18 CY (d)	\$ / Day
Field Tractor, 40 HP (d)	\$ / Day
Overpack Drum for 55 Gal	\$ / Each
Drum for disposing materials	\$ /Each
Manual Drum Grappler Attachment	\$ / Day

Line item of cost Description	Proposed Cost
Hydraulic Drum Grappler Attachment (d)	\$ / Day
Manual Drum Rotator Attachment	\$ / Day
Hydraulic Drum Rotator Attachment (d)	\$ / Day
Generator, 5 KW (d)	\$ / Day

- (2) For service performed from July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016, the Contractor shall be compensated based upon the payment rates in Section C.3.b.(1) above but adjusted by the percentage increase, if any, between the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, All Items expenditure category, not seasonally adjusted, index base period: 1982-84=100) published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics in June 2015 and that figure published in the same month, 12-months prior, up to a maximum of three percent (3%).
- (3) For service performed from July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017, the Contractor shall be compensated based upon the payment rates in Section C.3.b.(2) above but adjusted by the percentage increase, if any, between the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, All Items expenditure category, not seasonally adjusted, index base period: 1982-84=100) published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics in June 2016 and that figure published in the same month, 12-months prior, up to a maximum of three percent (3%).
- (4) For service performed from July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018, the Contractor shall be compensated based upon the payment rates in Section C.3.b.(3) above but adjusted by the percentage increase, if any, between the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, All Items expenditure category, not seasonally adjusted, index base period: 1982-84=100) published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics in June 2017 and that figure published in the same month, 12-months prior, up to a maximum of three percent (3%).
- (5) For service performed from July 1, 2018, through July 1, 2019, the Contractor shall be compensated based upon the payment rates in Section C.3.b.(4) above but adjusted by the percentage increase, if any, between the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, All Items expenditure category, not seasonally adjusted, index base period: 1982-84=100) published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics in June 2018 and that figure published in the same month, 12-months prior, up to a maximum of three percent (3%).

c. A "day" shall be defined as a minimum of eight (8) hours of service. If the Contractor provides fewer than eight hours of service in a standard twenty-four hour day, the

Contractor shall bill *pro rata* for only those portions of the day in which service was actually delivered. The Contractor shall not bill more than the daily rate even if the Contractor works more than eight hours in a day.

- C.4. Travel Compensation. Compensation to the Contractor for travel, meals, or lodging shall be subject to amounts and limitations specified in the current "State Comprehensive Travel Regulations."

The Contractor must include (in addition to other invoice requirements of this Contract) a complete itemization of requested travel compensation and appropriate documentation and receipts as required by the "State Comprehensive Travel Regulations."

- C.5. Invoice Requirements. The Contractor shall invoice the State only for goods delivered and accepted by the State or services satisfactorily provided at the amounts stipulated in Section C.3., above. Contractor shall submit invoices and necessary supporting documentation, no more frequently than once a month, and no later than thirty (30) days after goods or services have been provided to the following address:

Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation  
Division of Fiscal Services – Accounts Payable  
William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower  
312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Nashville, TN 37243

Or, [Accounts.Payable@tn.gov](mailto:Accounts.Payable@tn.gov)

- a. Each invoice, on Contractor's letterhead, shall clearly and accurately detail all of the following information (calculations must be extended and totaled correctly):

- (1) Invoice number (assigned by the Contractor);
- (2) Invoice date;
- (3) Contract number (assigned by the State);
- (4) Customer account name: Department of Environment & Conservation, Division of Remediation;
- (5) Customer account number (assigned by the Contractor to the above-referenced Customer);
- (6) Contractor name;
- (7) Contractor Tennessee Edison registration ID number;
- (8) Contractor contact for invoice questions (name, phone, or email);
- (9) Contractor remittance address;
- (10) Description of delivered goods or services provided and invoiced, including identifying information as applicable;
- (11) Number of delivered or completed units, increments, hours, or days as applicable, of each good or service invoiced;
- (12) Applicable payment methodology (as stipulated in Section C.2.) of each good or service invoiced;
- (13) Amount due for each compensable unit of good or service; and
- (14) Total amount due for the invoice period.

- b. Contractor's invoices shall:

- (1) Only include charges for goods delivered or services provided as described in Section A and in accordance with payment terms and conditions set forth in Section C;
- (2) Only be submitted for goods delivered or services completed and shall not include any charge for future goods to be delivered or services to be performed;

- (3) Not include Contractor's taxes, which includes without limitation Contractor's sales and use tax, excise taxes, franchise taxes, real or personal property taxes, or income taxes; and
    - (4) Include shipping or delivery charges only as authorized in this Contract.
  - c. The timeframe for payment (or any discounts) begins only when the State is in receipt of an invoice that meets the minimum requirements of this Section C.5.
- C.6. Payment of Invoice. A payment by the State shall not prejudice the State's right to object to or question any payment, invoice, or other matter. A payment by the State shall not be construed as acceptance of goods delivered, any part of the services provided, or as approval of any amount invoiced.
- C.7. Invoice Reductions. The Contractor's invoice shall be subject to reduction for amounts included in any invoice or payment that is determined by the State, on the basis of audits conducted in accordance with the terms of this Contract, to not constitute proper compensation for goods delivered or services provided.
- C.8. Deductions. The State reserves the right to deduct from amounts, which are or shall become due and payable to the Contractor under this or any contract between the Contractor and the State of Tennessee, any amounts that are or shall become due and payable to the State of Tennessee by the Contractor.
- C.9. Prerequisite Documentation. The Contractor shall not invoice the State under this Contract until the State has received the following, properly completed documentation.
  - a. The Contractor shall complete, sign, and present to the State an "Authorization Agreement for Automatic Deposit Form" provided by the State. By doing so, the Contractor acknowledges and agrees that, once this form is received by the State, all payments to the Contractor, under this or any other contract the Contractor has with the State of Tennessee, shall be made by automated clearing house.
  - b. The Contractor shall complete, sign, and present to the State a "Substitute W-9 Form" provided by the State. The taxpayer identification number in the Substitute W-9 Form must be the same as the Contractor's Federal Employer Identification Number or Tennessee Edison Registration ID.

**D. MANDATORY TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

- D.1. Required Approvals. The State is not bound by this Contract until it is duly approved by the Parties and all appropriate State officials in accordance with applicable Tennessee laws and regulations. Depending upon the specifics of this Contract, this may include approvals by the Commissioner of Finance and Administration, the Commissioner of Human Resources, the Comptroller of the Treasury, and the Chief Procurement Officer. Approvals shall be evidenced by a signature or electronic approval.
- D.2. Communications and Contacts. All instructions, notices, consents, demands, or other communications required or contemplated by this Contract shall be in writing and shall be made by certified, first class mail, return receipt requested and postage prepaid, by overnight courier service with an asset tracking system, or by email or facsimile transmission with recipient confirmation. All communications, regardless of method of transmission, shall be addressed to the respective Party at the appropriate mailing address, facsimile number, or email address as stated below or any other address provided in writing by a Party.

The State:

Lindsay Oliveras  
Central Procurement Office  
Tennessee Department of General Services  
3rd Floor, William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower  
312 Rosa L. Parks Ave.  
Nashville, Tennessee 37243  
Email: Lindsay.oliveras@tn.gov  
Telephone Number: (615) 253-4762

The Contractor:

**Contractor Contact Name & Title**

**Contractor Name**

**Address**

**Email Address**

**Telephone # Number**

**FAX # Number**

All instructions, notices, consents, demands, or other communications shall be considered effective upon receipt or recipient confirmation as may be required.

- D.3. Modification and Amendment. This Contract may be modified only by a written amendment signed by all Parties and approved by all applicable State officials.
- D.4. Subject to Funds Availability. The Contract is subject to the appropriation and availability of State or federal funds. In the event that the funds are not appropriated or are otherwise unavailable, the State reserves the right to terminate this Contract upon written notice to the Contractor. The State's exercise of its right to terminate this Contract shall not constitute a breach of Contract by the State. Upon receipt of the written notice, the Contractor shall cease all work associated with the Contract. If the State terminates this Contract due to lack of funds availability, the Contractor shall be entitled to compensation for all conforming goods requested and accepted by the State and for all satisfactory and authorized services completed as of the termination date. Should the State exercise its right to terminate this Contract due to unavailability of funds, the Contractor shall have no right to recover from the State any actual, general, special, incidental, consequential, or any other damages of any description or amount.
- D.5. Termination for Convenience. The State may terminate this Contract for convenience without cause and for any reason. The State shall give the Contractor at least thirty (30) days written notice before the termination date. The Contractor shall be entitled to compensation for all conforming goods delivered and accepted by the State or for satisfactory, authorized services completed as of the termination date. In no event shall the State be liable to the Contractor for compensation for any goods neither requested nor accepted by the State or for any services neither requested by the State nor satisfactorily performed by the Contractor. In no event shall the State's exercise of its right to terminate this Contract for convenience relieve the Contractor of any liability to the State for any damages or claims arising under this Contract.
- D.6. Termination for Cause. If the Contractor fails to properly perform its obligations under this Contract in a timely or proper manner, or if the Contractor materially violates any terms of this Contract ("Breach Condition"), the State shall have the right to immediately terminate the Contract and withhold payments in excess of compensation for completed services or provided goods. Notwithstanding the above, the Contractor shall not be relieved of liability to the State for damages sustained by virtue of any Breach Condition and the State may seek other remedies allowed at law or in equity for breach of this Contract.
- D.7. Assignment and Subcontracting. The Contractor shall not assign this Contract or enter into a subcontract for any of the goods or services provided under this Contract without the prior written

approval of the State. Notwithstanding any use of the approved subcontractors, the Contractor shall be the prime contractor and responsible for compliance with all terms and conditions of this Contract. The State reserves the right to request additional information or impose additional terms and conditions before approving an assignment of this Contract in whole or in part or the use of subcontractors in fulfilling the Contractor's obligations under this Contract.

- D.8. Conflicts of Interest. The Contractor warrants that no part of the Contractor's compensation shall be paid directly or indirectly to an employee or official of the State of Tennessee as wages, compensation, or gifts in exchange for acting as an officer, agent, employee, subcontractor, or consultant to the Contractor in connection with any work contemplated or performed under this Contract.

The Contractor acknowledges, understands, and agrees that this Contract shall be null and void if the Contractor is, or within the past six (6) months has been, an employee of the State of Tennessee or if the Contractor is an entity in which a controlling interest is held by an individual who is, or within the past six (6) months has been, an employee of the State of Tennessee.

- D.9. Nondiscrimination. The Contractor hereby agrees, warrants, and assures that no person shall be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the performance of this Contract or in the employment practices of the Contractor on the grounds of handicap or disability, age, race, creed, color, religion, sex, national origin, or any other classification protected by federal or state law. The Contractor shall, upon request, show proof of nondiscrimination and shall post in conspicuous places, available to all employees and applicants, notices of nondiscrimination.

- D.10. Prohibition of Illegal Immigrants. The requirements of Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-3-309 addressing the use of illegal immigrants in the performance of any contract to supply goods or services to the state of Tennessee, shall be a material provision of this Contract, a breach of which shall be grounds for monetary and other penalties, up to and including termination of this Contract.

- a. The Contractor agrees that the Contractor shall not knowingly utilize the services of an illegal immigrant in the performance of this Contract and shall not knowingly utilize the services of any subcontractor who will utilize the services of an illegal immigrant in the performance of this Contract. The Contractor shall reaffirm this attestation, in writing, by submitting to the State a completed and signed copy of the document at Attachment 1, semi-annually during the Term. If the Contractor is a party to more than one contract with the State, the Contractor may submit one attestation that applies to all contracts with the State. All Contractor attestations shall be maintained by the Contractor and made available to State officials upon request.
- b. Prior to the use of any subcontractor in the performance of this Contract, and semi-annually thereafter, during the Term, the Contractor shall obtain and retain a current, written attestation that the subcontractor shall not knowingly utilize the services of an illegal immigrant to perform work under this Contract and shall not knowingly utilize the services of any subcontractor who will utilize the services of an illegal immigrant to perform work under this Contract. Attestations obtained from subcontractors shall be maintained by the Contractor and made available to State officials upon request.
- c. The Contractor shall maintain records for all personnel used in the performance of this Contract. Contractor's records shall be subject to review and random inspection at any reasonable time upon reasonable notice by the State.
- d. The Contractor understands and agrees that failure to comply with this section will be subject to the sanctions of Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-3-309 for acts or omissions occurring after its effective date.

- e. For purposes of this Contract, "illegal immigrant" shall be defined as any person who is not:(i) a United States citizen;(ii) a Lawful Permanent Resident;(iii) a person whose physical presence in the United States is authorized;(iv) allowed by the federal Department of Homeland Security and who, under federal immigration laws or regulations, is authorized to be employed in the U.S.; or (v) is otherwise authorized to provide services under the Contract.
- D.11. Records. The Contractor shall maintain documentation for all charges under this Contract. The books, records, and documents of the Contractor, for work performed or money received under this Contract, shall be maintained for a period of five (5) full years from the date of the final payment and shall be subject to audit at any reasonable time and upon reasonable notice by the State, the Comptroller of the Treasury, or their duly appointed representatives. The financial statements shall be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.
- D.12. Monitoring. The Contractor's activities conducted and records maintained pursuant to this Contract shall be subject to monitoring and evaluation by the State, the Comptroller of the Treasury, or their duly appointed representatives.
- D.13. Progress Reports. The Contractor shall submit brief, periodic, progress reports to the State as requested.
- D.14. Strict Performance. Failure by any Party to this Contract to require, in any one or more cases, the strict performance of any of the terms, covenants, conditions, or provisions of this Contract shall not be construed as a waiver or relinquishment of any term, covenant, condition, or provision. No term or condition of this Contract shall be held to be waived, modified, or deleted except by a written amendment signed by the Parties.
- D.15. Independent Contractor. The Parties shall not act as employees, partners, joint venturers, or associates of one another. The Parties are independent contracting entities. Nothing in this Contract shall be construed to create an employer/employee relationship or to allow either Party to exercise control or direction over the manner or method by which the other transacts its business affairs or provides its usual services. The employees or agents of one Party are not employees or agents of the other Party.
- D.16. Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. The Contractor agrees that it will be responsible for compliance with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act ("PPACA") with respect to itself and its employees, including any obligation to report health insurance coverage, provide health insurance coverage, or pay any financial assessment, tax, or penalty for not providing health insurance. The Contractor shall indemnify the State and hold it harmless for any costs to the State arising from Contractor's failure to fulfill its PPACA responsibilities for itself or its employees.
- D.17. Limitation of State's Liability. The State shall have no liability except as specifically provided in this Contract. In no event will the State be liable to the Contractor or any other party for any lost revenues, lost profits, loss of business, decrease in the value of any securities or cash position, time, money, goodwill, or any indirect, special, incidental, punitive, exemplary or consequential damages of any nature, whether based on warranty, contract, statute, regulation, tort (including but not limited to negligence), or any other legal theory that may arise under this Contract or otherwise. The State's total liability under this Contract (including any exhibits, schedules, amendments or other attachments to the Contract) or otherwise shall under no circumstances exceed the Maximum Liability. This limitation of liability is cumulative and not per incident.
- D.18. Limitation of Contractor's Liability. In accordance with Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-3-701, the Contractor's liability for all claims arising under this Contract shall be limited to an amount equal to two (2) times the Maximum Liability amount detailed in Section C.1. and as may be amended,

PROVIDED THAT in no event shall this Section limit the liability of the Contractor for intentional torts, criminal acts, fraudulent conduct, or omissions that result in personal injuries or death.

- D.19. Hold Harmless. The Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the State of Tennessee as well as its officers, agents, and employees from and against any and all claims, liabilities, losses, and causes of action which may arise, accrue, or result to any person, firm, corporation, or other entity which may be injured or damaged as a result of acts, omissions, or negligence on the part of the Contractor, its employees, or any person acting for or on its or their behalf relating to this Contract. The Contractor further agrees it shall be liable for the reasonable cost of attorneys for the State to enforce the terms of this Contract.

In the event of any suit or claim, the Parties shall give each other immediate notice and provide all necessary assistance to respond. The failure of the State to give notice shall only relieve the Contractor of its obligations under this Section to the extent that the Contractor can demonstrate actual prejudice arising from the failure to give notice. This Section shall not grant the Contractor, through its attorneys, the right to represent the State in any legal matter, as the right to represent the State is governed by Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-6-106.

- D.20. HIPAA Compliance. The State and Contractor shall comply with obligations under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"), Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health ("HITECH") Act and any other relevant laws and regulations regarding privacy (collectively the "Privacy Rules"). The obligations set forth in this Section shall survive the termination of this Contract.

- a. Contractor warrants to the State that it is familiar with the requirements of the Privacy Rules, and will comply with all applicable requirements in the course of this Contract.
- b. Contractor warrants that it will cooperate with the State, including cooperation and coordination with State privacy officials and other compliance officers required by the Privacy Rules, in the course of performance of the Contract so that both parties will be in compliance with the Privacy Rules.
- c. The State and the Contractor will sign documents, including but not limited to business associate agreements, as required by the Privacy Rules and that are reasonably necessary to keep the State and Contractor in compliance with the Privacy Rules. This provision shall not apply if information received or delivered by the parties under this Contract is NOT "protected health information" as defined by the Privacy Rules, or if the Privacy Rules permit the parties to receive or deliver the information without entering into a business associate agreement or signing another document.
- d. The Contractor will indemnify the State and hold it harmless for any violation by the Contractor or its subcontractors of the Privacy Rules. This includes the costs of responding to a breach of protected health information, the costs of responding to a government enforcement action related to the breach, and any fines, penalties, or damages paid by the State because of the violation.

- D.21. Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System. Subject to statutory exceptions contained in Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 8-36-801, *et seq.*, the law governing the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System ("TCRS"), provides that if a retired member of TCRS, or of any superseded system administered by TCRS, or of any local retirement fund established under Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 8-35-101, *et seq.*, accepts State employment, the member's retirement allowance is suspended during the period of the employment. Accordingly and notwithstanding any provision of this Contract to the contrary, the Contractor agrees that if it is later determined that the true nature of the working relationship between the Contractor and the State under this Contract is that of "employee/employer" and not that of an independent contractor, the Contractor, if a retired

member of TCRS, may be required to repay to TCRS the amount of retirement benefits the Contractor received from TCRS during the Term.

D.22 Tennessee Department of Revenue Registration. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable registration requirements contained in Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 6-6-601 –608. Compliance with applicable registration requirements is a material requirement of this Contract.

D.23. Debarment and Suspension. The Contractor certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it, its current and future principals, its current and future subcontractors and their principals:

- a. are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal or state department or agency;
- b. have not within a three (3) year period preceding this Contract been convicted of, or had a civil judgment rendered against them from commission of fraud, or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or grant under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification, or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- c. are not presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses detailed in section b. of this certification; and
- d. have not within a three (3) year period preceding this Contract had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

The Contractor shall provide immediate written notice to the State if at any time it learns that there was an earlier failure to disclose information or that due to changed circumstances, its principals or the principals of its subcontractors are excluded or disqualified.

D.24. Force Majeure. "Force Majeure Event" means fire, flood, earthquake, elements of nature or acts of God, wars, riots, civil disorders, rebellions or revolutions, acts of terrorism or any other similar cause beyond the reasonable control of the Party except to the extent that the non-performing Party is at fault in failing to prevent or causing the default or delay, and provided that the default or delay cannot reasonably be circumvented by the non-performing Party through the use of alternate sources, workaround plans or other means. A strike, lockout or labor dispute shall not excuse either Party from its obligations under this Contract. Except as set forth in this Section, any failure or delay by a Party in the performance of its obligations under this Contract arising from a Force Majeure Event is not a default under this Contract or grounds for termination. The non-performing Party will be excused from performing those obligations directly affected by the Force Majeure Event, and only for as long as the Force Majeure Event continues, provided that the Party continues to use diligent, good faith efforts to resume performance without delay. The occurrence of a Force Majeure Event affecting Contractor's representatives, suppliers, subcontractors, customers or business apart from this Contract is not a Force Majeure Event under this Contract. Contractor will promptly notify the State of any delay caused by a Force Majeure Event (to be confirmed in a written notice to the State within one (1) day of the inception of the delay) that a Force Majeure Event has occurred, and will describe in reasonable detail the nature of the Force Majeure Event. If any Force Majeure Event results in a delay in Contractor's performance longer than forty-eight (48) hours, the State may, upon notice to Contractor: (a) cease payment of the fees until Contractor resumes performance of the affected obligations; or (b) immediately terminate this Contract or any purchase order, in whole or in part, without further payment except for fees then due and payable. Contractor will not increase its charges under this Contract or charge the State any fees other than those provided for in this Contract as the result of a Force Majeure Event.

- D.25. State and Federal Compliance. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations in the performance of this Contract.
- D.26. Governing Law. This Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Tennessee. The Tennessee Claims Commission or the state or federal courts in Tennessee shall be the venue for all claims, disputes, or disagreements arising under this Contract. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that any rights, claims, or remedies against the State of Tennessee or its employees arising under this Contract shall be subject to and limited to those rights and remedies available under Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 9-8-101- 407.
- D.27. Entire Agreement. This Contract is complete and contains the entire understanding between the Parties relating to its subject matter, including all the terms and conditions of the Parties' agreement. This Contract supersedes any and all prior understandings, representations, negotiations, and agreements between the Parties, whether written or oral.
- D.28. Severability. If any terms and conditions of this Contract are held to be invalid or unenforceable as a matter of law, the other terms and conditions of this Contract shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect. The terms and conditions of this Contract are severable.
- D.29. Headings. Section headings of this Contract are for reference purposes only and shall not be construed as part of this Contract.
- D.30. Incorporation of Additional Documents. Each of the following documents is included as a part of this Contract by reference. In the event of a discrepancy or ambiguity regarding the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, and performance under this Contract, these items shall govern in order of precedence below:
- a. any amendment to this Contract, with the latter in time controlling over any earlier amendments;
  - b. this Contract with any attachments or exhibits (excluding the items listed at subsections c. through f., below);
  - c. any clarifications of or addenda to the Contractor's proposal seeking this Contract;
  - d. the State solicitation, as may be amended, requesting responses in competition for this Contract;
  - e. any technical specifications provided to proposers during the procurement process to award this Contract; and,
  - f. the Contractor's response seeking this Contract.

**E. SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

- E.1. Conflicting Terms and Conditions. Should any of these special terms and conditions conflict with any other terms and conditions of this Contract, the special terms and conditions shall be subordinate to the Contract's other terms and conditions.
- E.2. Insurance. The Contractor shall carry adequate liability and other appropriate forms of insurance.
- a. The Contractor shall maintain, at minimum, the following insurance coverage:
    - (1) Workers' Compensation/ Employers' Liability (including all states coverage) with a limit not less than the relevant statutory amount or one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence for employers' liability whichever is greater.
    - (2) Comprehensive Commercial General Liability (including personal injury & property damage, premises/operations, independent contractor, contractual liability and completed operations/products) with a bodily injury/property damage

combined single limit not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence and two million dollars (\$2,000,000) aggregate.

- (3) Automobile Coverage (including owned, leased, hired, and non-owned vehicles) with a bodily injury/property damage combined single limit not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence.
- (4) Errors and Omission Coverage with a limit of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per claim and two million dollars (\$2,000,000) aggregate.

b. The Contractor shall provide a valid Certificate of Insurance naming the State as an additional insured and detailing Coverage Description; Insurance Company & Policy.

- E.3. Reimbursement. This Contract provides for reimbursement of the cost of goods, materials, supplies, equipment, or contracted services. Any goods, materials, supplies, equipment or contracted services procured by Contractor under this Contract shall be procured on a competitive basis when practicable. The Contractor shall maintain documentation supporting Contractor's request for reimbursement. In each instance where it is determined that use of a competitive procurement method was not practicable, Contractor shall seek approval of the TDEC Commissioner to procure by non-competitive procurement as a condition for reimbursement.
- E.4. State Furnished Property. The Contractor shall be responsible for the correct use, maintenance, and protection of all articles of nonexpendable, tangible personal property furnished by the State for the Contractor's use under this Contract. Upon termination of this Contract, all property furnished by the State shall be returned to the State in the same condition as when received, less reasonable wear and tear. Should the property be destroyed, lost, or stolen, the Contractor shall be responsible to the State for the fair market value of the property at the time of loss.
- E.5. Work Papers Subject to Review. The Contractor shall make all audit, accounting, or financial analysis work papers, notes, and other documentation available for review by the Comptroller of the Treasury or his representatives, upon request, during normal working hours either while the analysis is in progress or subsequent to the completion of this Contract.
- E.6. Prohibited Advertising or Marketing. The Contractor shall not suggest or imply in advertising or marketing materials that Contractor's goods or services are endorsed by the State. The restrictions on Contractor advertising or marketing materials under this Section shall survive the termination of this Contract.
- E.7. Public Accountability. If the Contractor is subject to Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 8-4-401, *et seq.*, or if this Contract involves the provision of services to citizens by the Contractor on behalf of the State, the Contractor agrees to establish a system through which recipients of services may present grievances about Contractor's operation of the service program. The Contractor shall also display in a prominent place, located near the passageway through which the public enters in order to receive contract-supported services, a sign at least eleven inches (11") in height and seventeen inches (17") in width stating the following:

NOTICE: THIS AGENCY IS A RECIPIENT OF TAXPAYER FUNDING. IF YOU OBSERVE AN AGENCY DIRECTOR OR EMPLOYEE ENGAGING IN ANY ACTIVITY THAT YOU CONSIDER TO BE ILLEGAL, IMPROPER, OR WASTEFUL, PLEASE CALL THE STATE COMPTROLLER'S TOLL-FREE HOTLINE: 1-800-232-5454.

The sign shall be of the form prescribed by the Comptroller of the Treasury. The contracting state agency shall request copies of the sign from the Comptroller of the Treasury and provide signs to contractors.

E.8 Lobbying. The Contractor certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that:

- a. No federally appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the Contractor, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- b. If any funds other than federally 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 any contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the Contractor shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- c. The Contractor shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into and is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. § 1352.

E.9. Contractor Commitment to Diversity. The Contractor shall comply with and make reasonable business efforts to exceed the commitment to diversity represented by the Contractor's Response to RFQ #32701-02165 (Attachment 2) and resulting in this Contract.

The Contractor shall assist the State in monitoring the Contractor's performance of this commitment by providing, as requested, a quarterly report of participation in the performance of this Contract by small business enterprises and businesses owned by minorities, women, and Tennessee service-disabled veterans. Such reports shall be provided to the State of Tennessee Governor's Office of Diversity Business Enterprise in the required form and substance.

E.10. Performance Bond. The Contractor is not required to provide any bond to be awarded this Contract but shall provide a letter, prior to contract signing, stating that it will secure and furnish to the State any bond required by the State for bids or service. The State may require a Contractor to obtain a bid bond in order to bid for service at a site, as well as a performance bond and/or payment bond in order to perform service at a site.

E.11. Partial Takeover of Contract. The State may, at its convenience and without cause, exercise a partial takeover of any service that the Contractor is obligated to perform under this Contract, including any service which is the subject of a subcontract between Contractor and a third party (a "Partial Takeover"). A Partial Takeover of this Contract by the State shall not be deemed a breach of contract. The Contractor shall be given at least thirty (30) days prior written notice of a Partial Takeover. The notice shall specify the areas of service the State will assume and the date the State will be assuming. The State's exercise of a Partial Takeover shall not alter the Contractor's other duties and responsibilities under this Contract. The State reserves the right to withhold from the Contractor any amounts the Contractor would have been paid but for the State's exercise of a Partial Takeover. The amounts shall be withheld effective as of the date the State exercises its right to a Partial Takeover. The State's exercise of its right to a Partial Takeover of this Contract shall not entitle the Contractor to any actual, general, special, incidental, consequential, or any other damages irrespective of any description or amount.

- E.12. Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA). This Contract requires the Contractor to provide supplies or services that are funded in whole or in part by federal funds that are subject to FFATA. The Contractor is responsible for ensuring that all applicable requirements, including but not limited to those set forth herein, of FFATA are met and that the Contractor provides information to the State as required.

The Contractor shall comply with the following:

a. Reporting of Total Compensation of the Contractor's Executives.

- (1) The Contractor shall report the names and total compensation of each of its five most highly compensated executives for the Contractor's preceding completed fiscal year, if in the Contractor's preceding fiscal year it received:
  - i. 80 percent or more of the Contractor's annual gross revenues from federal procurement contracts and federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act, as defined at 2 CFR 170.320 (and subawards); and
  - ii. \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from federal procurement contracts (and subcontracts), and federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act (and subawards); and
  - iii. The public does not have access to information about the compensation of the executives through periodic reports filed under section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(a), 78o(d)) or section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. (To determine if the public has access to the compensation information, see the U.S. Security and Exchange Commission total compensation filings at <http://www.sec.gov/answers/execomp.htm>.)

As defined in 2 C.F.R. § 170.315, "Executive" means officers, managing partners, or any other employees in management positions.

- (2) Total compensation means the cash and noncash dollar value earned by the executive during the Contractor's preceding fiscal year and includes the following (for more information see 17 C.F.R. § 229.402(c)(2)):
  - i. Salary and bonus.
  - ii. Awards of stock, stock options, and stock appreciation rights. Use the dollar amount recognized for financial statement reporting purposes with respect to the fiscal year in accordance with the Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 (Revised 2004) (FAS 123R), Shared Based Payments.
  - iii. Earnings for services under non-equity incentive plans. This does not include group life, health, hospitalization or medical reimbursement plans that do not discriminate in favor of executives, and are available generally to all salaried employees.
  - iv. Change in pension value. This is the change in present value of defined benefit and actuarial pension plans.
  - v. Above-market earnings on deferred compensation which is not tax qualified.
  - vi. Other compensation, if the aggregate value of all such other compensation (e.g. severance, termination payments, value of life insurance paid on behalf of the employee, perquisites or property) for the executive exceeds \$10,000.

- b. The Contractor must report executive total compensation described above to the State by the end of the month during which this Contract is awarded.

- c. If this Contract is amended to extend the Term, the Contractor must submit an executive total compensation report to the State by the end of the month in which the term extension becomes effective.
- d. The Contractor will obtain a Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number and maintain its DUNS number for the term of this Contract. More information about obtaining a DUNS Number can be found at: <http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform/>

The Contractor's failure to comply with the above requirements is a material breach of this Contract for which the State may terminate this Contract for cause. The State will not be obligated to pay any outstanding invoice received from the Contractor unless and until the Contractor is in full compliance with the above requirements.

- E.13. Transfer of Contractor's Obligations. The Contractor shall immediately notify the State in writing of a proposed change in Contractor personnel, office location, contact person, reorganization, company ownership, merger, acquisition or sale of its business operation, or the part of its business operation that provides services under this Contract, or changes within Contractor organization that would affect implementation of the Contract and related work, or that this Contract will be sold to or assumed by another entity. The entity that is proposed to assume the Contractor's duties under this Contract, whether through merger, acquisition, sale or other transaction, will be hereinafter described as the New Entity.

The original Contractor shall immediately notify the State in writing in the event of a change in its legal name and/or Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN). The Contractor shall comply with State requests for copies of any documents that have been filed with state corporate records officials or other officials in the state of its incorporation that verify the name change and a narrative description of the reasons for the name change. If a New Entity has succeeded to the interest of the original Contractor, it shall immediately provide the State written notification of its Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN), its complete corporate name, State of incorporation, and other documentation required to effectuate the transfer.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Contract to the contrary, the State may immediately terminate this Contract in whole or in stages in the event that it determines that the New Entity

- i. has been debarred from State or Federal contracting in the past five years
- ii. has had a contract terminated for cause by the State of Tennessee within the past five years.

The Contractor shall be entitled to compensation for satisfactory, authorized service completed as of the termination date, but in no event shall the State be liable to the Contractor or New Entity for compensation for any service which has not been rendered. Upon such termination, the Contractor or New Entity shall have no right to any actual general, special, incidental, consequential, or any other damages whatsoever of any description or amount.

The New Entity shall provide to the State within ten (10) business days of the State's request, a notarized statement signed by an individual authorized to bind the New Entity certifying that all liabilities and obligations incurred by the former Contractor are assumed by the New Entity.

If the New Entity owes money to the State of Tennessee, it acknowledges that Tennessee Code Annotated Section 9-4-604 requires repayment of these funds and will enter into a legally binding agreement for repayment.

- E.14. Assignment of Work to Contractor. The four Contractors awarded Contracts make up a set of Contractors that will bid on Scopes of Work issued by the State. The State will select a site and services to be performed under this Contract, and shall issue an RFB to all four Contractors. The RFB shall describe the work to be performed, the applicable reimbursement, schedule, the State's expectations, and whether or not a performance bond would be required for this work. If Contractor is notified by the State, in writing, that Contractor is in default of any terms of the Contract, said Contractor is disqualified from submitting a bid while in default.

The State may hold a pre-bid meeting or site visit prior to Contractors submitting bids. As deemed appropriate by the State, the RFB may be modified by the State after the pre-bid meeting or site visit. As deemed appropriate by the State, the State also has the right to clarify and negotiate with the contractors that submitted bids in response to a RFB.

The State shall evaluate each bid based on the bid requirements, whether activities in the bid would accomplish the State's expectations, the applicable reimbursement rates, the training and experience of personnel the Contractor intends to use, contingencies, and whether the Contractor is behind schedule on another site. Bids that have contingencies that allow rates to change after submittal of the bid may require contractor clarification or may be rejected. If the State determines that the selected bidder did not submit personnel with adequate training and experience required for the work, said bidder shall have seven days from receipt of oral or written notification to resubmit adequate personnel and accompanying resume. If the resubmitted personnel still do not have adequate training and experience said bid shall be deemed non-responsive and rejected, and the State shall go through the above evaluation process with the Contractor with the next lowest cost responsive bid. If the selected bidder is behind schedule on another site as determined by the State then State may not assign work to Contractor and the State may go through the evaluation process with the next lowest cost responsive bid, and so forth.

When the State selects a Contractor for the work, the State shall notify all four Contractors of the selection by way of an Initial Bid Award Notice. The State shall send Initial Bid Award Notices to Contractors submitting a bid by e-mail. If a review of bids is requested within 5 work days of the date of the Bid Award Notice by one of the Contractors that submitted a bid, the State shall allow five work days from the date of said request for Contractors to review bids and the State's evaluation of said bids. If a Contractor, based on this review, requests a reevaluation of bids, then State shall reevaluate the bids and during this reevaluation process the State may also negotiate with any or all contractors that submitted a bid. After completion of the opportunity for review of bids and reevaluation described above, the State shall issue a Final Bid Award Notice signed by the Director of the Division of Remediation, or the Director's designee notifying bidders of the selected Contractor. The selected Contractor shall not begin work until the State issues an NTP and Contractor must abide by the contents of the NTP and any subsequent approvals issued by the State.

Contractor shall perform activities authorized by the State in NTPs and any amendments to the NTPs issued by the State. The State may issue as many RFBs and NTPs as the State deems appropriate or necessary for a site. The Contractor shall furnish the personnel, material, equipment, etc required to perform the work authorized by the State. The State reserves the right to withdraw any work according to the terms of this Contract, and the right to not award a bid.

Where sampling may be required, the Contractor will ensure that the procedures used shall be designed to ensure that the data collected is of sufficient quality to make defensible decisions and to be used in legal proceedings, if necessary. Collected samples shall be analyzed by the current methods or other methods as authorized and approved by the State with the results given in ug/l or mg/l units of measure for aqueous samples and in ug/kg or mg/kg for non-aqueous samples; units of measure shall not be given in parts per million (ppm) or parts per billion (ppb).

At all times during this contract, the Contractor will provide recommendations for financial savings, improved data acquisition, or a more protective or efficient site service.

The State reserves the right to withdraw any work according to the terms of this Contract, and the right to not award a bid. The State also reserves the right to initiate negotiations with the next ranked Request for Qualifications (RFQ) respondent should the State cease doing business with a Contractor.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,**

**CONTRACTOR LEGAL ENTITY NAME:**

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**CONTRACTORSIGNATURE**

**DATE**

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**PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTORSIGNATORY (above)**

**TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION:**

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**ROBERT J. MARTINEAU, J.R., COMMISSIONER**

**DATE**

**(Fill out only by selected Contractor)**

**ATTESTATION RE PERSONNEL USED IN CONTRACT PERFORMANCE**

<b>SUBJECT CONTRACT NUMBER:</b>	
<b>CONTRACTOR LEGAL ENTITY NAME:</b>	
<b>FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER</b> (or Social Security number)	

**The Contractor, identified above, does hereby attest, certify, warrant, and assure that Contractor shall not knowingly utilize the services of an illegal immigrant in the performance of this Contract and shall not knowingly utilize the services of any subcontractor who will utilize the services of an illegal immigrant in the performance of this Contract.**

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**CONTRACTOR SIGNATURE**

NOTICE: This attestation MUST be signed by an individual empowered to contractually bind the Contractor. If said individual is not the chief executive or president, this document shall attach evidence showing the individual's authority to contractually bind Contractor.

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**PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNATORY**

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**DATE OF ATTESTATION**

(Fill out only by selected Contractor)

SAMPLE LETTER OF DIVERSITY COMMITMENT

(Company Letterhead/Logo)

(Address)

(Date)

(Salutation),

(Company Name) is committed to achieving or surpassing a goal of (numeral) percent spend with certified diversity business enterprise firms on State of Tennessee contract # (Edison document #). Diversity businesses are defined as those that are owned by minority, women, small business and Tennessee service-disabled veterans which are certified by the Governor's Office of Diversity Business Enterprise (Go-DBE).

We confirm our commitment of (percentage) participation on the (Contract) by using the following diversity businesses:

- (i) Name and ownership characteristics (i.e., ethnicity, gender, Tennessee service-disabled veteran) of anticipated diversity subcontractors and suppliers:  
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- (ii) Participation estimates (expressed as a percent of the total contract value to be dedicated to diversity subcontractors and suppliers):  
\_\_\_\_\_ %.
- (iii) Description of anticipated services to be performed by diversity subcontractors and suppliers:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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We accept that our commitment to diversity advances the State's efforts to expand opportunity of diversity businesses to do business with the State as contractors and sub-contractors.

Further, we commit to:

1. Using applicable reporting tools that allow the State to track and report purchases from businesses owned by minority, women, Tennessee service-disabled veterans and small business.
2. Reporting quarterly to the Go-DBE office the dollars spent with certified diversity businesses owned by minority, women, Tennessee service-disabled veterans and small business accomplished under contract # (Edison number).

(Company Name) is committed to working with the Go-DBE office to accomplish this goal.

Regards,

**(Company authority – signature and title)**