



STATE OF DELAWARE  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

# State of Delaware

## FIRE SUPPRESSION SERVICES, INSPECTION & TESTING

### Request for Proposal

**Contract No. GSS16259-FIRE\_SUPPR**

March 14, 2016

**- *Deadline to Respond* -  
*Tue. April 19, 2016*  
*1:00 PM (Local Time)***

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**CONTRACT NO. GSS16259-FIRE-SUPPR**

ALL VENDORS:

The enclosed packet contains a "REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL" for FIRE SUPPRESSION SERVICES, INSPECTION AND TESTING. The proposal consists of the following:

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In order for your proposal to be considered, the Proposal Reply Section shall be executed completely and correctly and returned in a sealed envelope **clearly displaying the contract number and vendor name** by Tue. April 19, 2016 1:00 p.m. (Local Time) to be considered.

**Proposals must be mailed to:**

**State of Delaware  
Government Support Services  
Contracting Section  
100 Enterprise Place, Suite 4  
Dover, DE 19904-8202**

Please review and follow the information and instructions contained in the General Provisions and this Request for Proposal (RFP). Should you need additional information, please call Roxann Parker at 302-857-4555 or email [Roxann.parker@state.de.us](mailto:Roxann.parker@state.de.us) .

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**I. INTRODUCTION**

**A. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Request for Proposal is to obtain sealed proposals to cover fire suppression services, testing and inspection, which encompasses the inspection, testing, and calibration of fire alarm and sprinkler systems, cleaning of hoods and vents, and fire extinguisher services for buildings. Bidders may submit offers for all services, or just the section(s) they wish to perform, i.e.; I. Fire Alarm Systems; II. Fire Sprinkler Systems; III. Cleaning and Inspection of Ansul Fire Suppression for hoods and Vents; and/or IV. Fire Extinguisher Service

It is the goal of this Request for Proposal to identify a vendor(s) and execute a contract(s) to cover the requirements of the state as described above.

**1. COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSAL**

It has been determined by Director, Government Support Services, pursuant to **Delaware Code Title 29, Chapter 6924 (a)** that this solicitation be offered as a request for competitive sealed proposals because the use of competitive sealed bidding is not practical and/or not in the best interest of the State. The use of competitive sealed proposals is necessary to:

- Use a contract other than a fixed-price type; or
- Conduct oral or written discussions with vendors concerning technical and price aspects of their proposals; or
- Afford vendors an opportunity to revise their proposals through best and final offers; or
- Compare the different price, quality and contractual factors of the proposals submitted; or
- Award a contract in which price is not the determining factor.

**2. CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS**

This contract will be issued to cover fire suppression services, testing and inspection, which encompasses the inspection, testing, and calibration of fire alarm and sprinkler systems, cleaning of hoods and vents, and fire extinguisher services for buildings. Bidders may submit offers for all services, or just the section they wish to perform, i.e.; I. Fire Alarm Systems; II. Fire Sprinkler Systems; III. Cleaning and Inspection of Ansul Fire Suppression for hoods and Vents; and/or IV. Fire Extinguisher Service

This contract is for all State Agencies and shall be accessible to any School District, Political Subdivision, Municipality, Volunteer Fire Company or higher education entity receiving state funds. Furthermore, this contract shall be accessible to all other entities as identified by Del. Code, Chapter 69, Title 29 § 6910.

**3. MANDATORY USE CONTRACT**

**REF: Title 29, Chapter 6911(d) Delaware Code.** All Covered Agencies as defined in 29 Del. C. §6902(6) shall procure all material, equipment and nonprofessional services through the statewide contracts administered by Government Support Services, Office of Management and Budget. Delaware State University, Delaware Technical and Community College, school districts, and the

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Legislative Branch are specifically exempted from the requirements of this subchapter. In addition, the Delaware Transit Corporation is exempt from the entire procurement chapter. Pursuant to 29 Del. C. §6904(l) and (n) respectively, the Department of Elections and the Board of Pension Trustees have certain exemptions from the procurement chapter which may or may not apply to this Request for Proposals.

**4. COOPERATIVE USE OF AWARD**

As a publicly competed contract awarded in compliance with 29 DE Code Chapter 69, this contract is available for use by other states and/or governmental entities through a participating addendum. Interested parties should contact the State Contract Procurement Officer identified in the contract for instruction. Final approval for permitting participation in this contract resides with the Director of Government Support Services and in no way places any obligation upon the awarded vendor(s).

**5. MULTIPLE SOURCE AWARD**

The Agency reserves the right to award this contract to more than one vendor pursuant to 29 Del.C. §6926. Government Support Services reserves the right to reject any or all bids in whole or in part, to make multiple awards, partial awards, award by types, item by item, by section or category, or lump sum total, whichever may be most advantageous to the State of Delaware.

**6. POTENTIAL CONTRACT OVERLAP**

Vendors shall be advised that the State, at its sole discretion, shall retain the right to solicit for goods and/or services as required by its agencies and as it serves the best interest of the State. As needs are identified, there may exist instances where contract deliverables, and/or goods or services to be solicited and subsequently awarded, overlap previous awards. The State reserves the right to reject any or all bids in whole or in part, to make partial awards, to award to multiple vendors during the same period, to award by types, on a zone-by-zone basis or on an item-by-item or lump sum basis item by item, or lump sum total, whichever may be most advantageous to the State of Delaware.

**7. CONTRACT PERIOD**

Each Vendor's contract shall be valid for a one (1) year period from August 1, 2016 through July 31, 2017. Each contract may be renewed for four (4) one (1) year periods through negotiation between the Vendor and Government Support Services. Negotiation may be initiated no later than ninety (90) days prior to the termination of the current agreement.

The State reserves the right to extend this contract on a month-to-month basis for a period of up to three months after the term of the full contract has been completed.

**B. KEY RFP DATES/MILESTONES**

The following dates and milestones apply to this RFP and subsequent contract award. Vendors are advised that these dates and milestones are not absolute and may change due to unplanned events during the bid proposal and award process.

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Activity	Due Date
RFP Availability to Vendors	Monday, March 14, 2016
<b>Mandatory</b> Pre-bid Conference	Wed. March 30, 2016 1:00 p.m. Local Time
Written Questions Due No Later Than (NLT)	Thurs. March 24, 2016 4:00 p.m. Local Time
Written Answers Due/Posted to Website NLT	Mon. April 4, 2016
Proposals Due NLT	Tue. April 19, 2016
Public Proposal Opening	Tue. April 19, 2016 1:00 p.m. Local Time
Proposal Evaluation/Presentations as required	To be determined
Vendor Best & Final Discussions, as required	To be determined
Contract Award	Will occur within 90 days of bid opening

**C. INQUIRIES & QUESTIONS**

We welcome your interest in working with us, and we will be pleased to answer any questions you may have in formulating your response to this Request for Proposal.

All questions with regard to the interpretation of this solicitation, drawings, or specifications, or any other aspect of this RFP must be received in writing by 4:00 p.m. Local Time, Thurs, March 24, 2016. All questions will be answered in writing by Mon. April 4, 2016 and posted on <http://bids.delaware.gov/> website. All questions must make specific reference to the section(s) and page numbers from this RFP where applicable. Oral explanations or instructions will not be binding.

**D. RFP DESIGNATED CONTACT**

All requests, questions, or other communications about this RFP shall be made in writing to the State of Delaware. Address all communications to the person listed below; communications made to other State of Delaware personnel or attempting to ask questions by phone or in person will not be allowed or recognized as valid and may disqualify the vendor. Vendors should rely only on written statements issued by the RFP designated contact.

**Roxann Parker**  
**State of Delaware**  
**Government Support Services**  
**100 Enterprise Place, Suite 4**  
**Dover, DE 19904-8202**  
 or  
[Roxann.parker@state.de.us](mailto:Roxann.parker@state.de.us)

To ensure that written requests are received and answered in a timely manner, electronic mail (e-mail) correspondence is acceptable, but other forms of delivery, such as postal and courier services can also be used.

**E. CONTACT WITH STATE EMPLOYEE**

Direct contact with State of Delaware employees other than the State of Delaware Designated Contact regarding this RFP is expressly prohibited without prior consent. Vendors directly contacting State of Delaware employees risk elimination of their proposal from further consideration. Exceptions exist only for organizations currently doing business in the State who require contact in the normal course of doing that business.

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**II. SCOPE OF WORK**

**A. OVERVIEW**

The Vendor(s) shall provide all equipment, materials and labor to supplement the State of Delaware's need for FIRE SUPPRESSION SERVICES, INSPECTION AND TESTING as described herein. The contract will require the Vendor(s) to cooperate with the ordering agency to insure the State receives the most current state-of-the-art material and/or services.

**B. DETAILED REQUIREMENTS**

The Scope of Work and technical requirements of this RFP are stated in Appendix A. Building locations and device counts that have been compiled to date are provided **in Appendix C**. This list is for information purposes and bidders are encouraged to arrange site visits with the appropriate facility manager prior to submitting an offer. Vendors must provide pricing for the items listed in the Excel Spreadsheet, Appendix B. Vendors may choose to bid on Sections I & II, Fire Alarms and Sprinkler Systems; Section III Hood cleaning & Inspection; or Section IV – Fire Extinguishers, individually or the contract in its entirety. Please make it clear in your proposal which sections you are bidding.

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**III. FORMAT FOR PROPOSAL**

**A. INTRODUCTION**

This section prescribes the mandatory format for the presentation of a proposal in response to this RFP. Each Vendor must provide every component listed in the order shown in this RFP, using the format prescribed for each component. A proposal may be rejected if it is incomplete or conditional.

**B. PROPOSAL RESPONSE**

The Request for Proposal may contain pre-printed forms for use by the vendor in submitting its proposal. The forms required by this solicitation shall be considered mandatory, prevailing documents.

When preprinted forms are used, the forms shall contain basic information such as description of the item and the estimated quantities and shall have blank spaces for use by the vendor for entering information such as unit bid price, total bid price, as applicable.

The Vendor's proposal shall be written in ink or typewritten on the form provided, and any corrections or erasures **MUST** be initialed by vendor's representative completing the bid submission.

If items are listed with a zero quantity, Vendor shall state unit price **ONLY** (intended for open end purchases where estimated requirements are not known). The proposal shall show a total bid price for each item bid and the total bid price of the proposal excluding zero quantity items.

Vendors' proposal must respond to each and every requirement outlined in the RFP criteria in order to be considered responsive. Proposals must be clear and concise.

**C. NON-CONFORMING PROPOSALS**

Non-conforming proposals will not be considered. Non-conforming proposals are defined as those that do not meet the requirements of this RFP. The determination of whether an RFP requirement is substantive or a mere formality shall reside solely within the State of Delaware.

**D. CONCISE PROPOSALS**

The State of Delaware discourages overly lengthy and costly proposals. It is the desire that proposals be prepared in a straightforward and concise manner. Unnecessarily elaborate brochures or other promotional materials beyond those sufficient to present a complete and effective proposal are not desired. The State of Delaware's interest is in the quality and responsiveness of the proposal.

**E. COVER LETTER**

Each proposal will have a cover letter on the letterhead of the company or organization submitting the proposal. The cover letter must briefly summarize the Vendor's ability to provide the services specified in the RFP. The cover letter shall be signed by a representative who has the legal capacity to enter the organization into a formal contract with Government Support Services.

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**F. TABLE OF CONTENTS**

Each proposal must include a Table of Contents with page numbers for each of the required components of the proposal.

**G. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES AND QUALIFICATIONS**

Each proposal must contain a detailed description of how the Vendor will provide the goods and services outlined in this RFP. This part of the proposal may also include descriptions of any enhancements or additional services or qualifications the Vendor will provide that are not mentioned in this RFP.

**H. DISCOUNT**

Vendors are invited to offer in their proposal value added discounts (i.e. speed to pay discounts for specific payment terms). Cash or separate discounts should be computed and incorporated into unit bid price(s).

**I. SAMPLES OR BROCHURES**

Samples or brochures may be required by the agency for evaluation purposes. They shall be such as to permit the Agency to compare and determine if the item offered complies with the intent of the specifications.

**J. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING OF TERMS**

By submitting a bid, each vendor shall be deemed to acknowledge that it has carefully read all sections of this RFP, including all forms, schedules and exhibits hereto, and has fully informed itself as to all existing conditions and limitations.

**K. BID BOND REQUIREMENT**

**The Bid Bond requirement has been waived.**

**L. PERFORMANCE BOND REQUIREMENT**

Contractors awarded contracts are required to furnish a 100% Performance Bond in accordance with Delaware Code Title 29, Section [6927](#), to the State of Delaware for the benefit of Government Support Services with surety in the amount of 100% of the specific award. Said bonds shall be conditioned upon the faithful performance of the contract. This guarantee shall be submitted in the form of good and sufficient bond drawn upon an Insurance or Bonding Company authorized to do business in the State of Delaware. If the Government Support Services bond form is not utilized, the substituted bond form must reflect the minimum conditions specified in Attachment 11

**M. NUMBER OF COPIES WITH MAILING OF PROPOSAL**

To be considered, all proposals must be submitted in writing and respond to the items outlined in this RFP. The State reserves the right to reject any non-responsive or non-conforming proposals. Each proposal must be submitted with one (1) paper copy and one (1) electronic copy on CD, DVD media disk, or USB memory stick. The paper copy shall be marked "Master Copy" and will contain original signatures in all locations requiring a vendor signature. CD, DVD media disk, or USB memory stick must also contain the completed Appendix B Excel sheets, in Excel format.

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All properly sealed and marked proposals are to be sent to the State of Delaware and received no later than 1:00 PM (Local Time) on Tue. April 19, 2016. The Proposals may be delivered by Express Delivery (e.g., FedEx, UPS, etc.), US Mail, or by hand to:

**State of Delaware  
Government Support Services  
Contracting Section  
100 Enterprise Place, Suite 4  
Dover, DE 19904-8202  
Attn: Roxann Parker**

Any proposal submitted by US Mail shall be sent by either certified or registered mail. Any proposal received after the date and time deadline referenced above shall not be considered and shall be returned unopened. The proposing vendor bears the risk of delays in delivery. The contents of any proposal shall not be disclosed as to be made available to competing entities during the negotiation process.

Upon receipt of vendor proposals, each vendor shall be presumed to be thoroughly familiar with all specifications and requirements of this RFP. The failure or omission to examine any form, instrument or document shall in no way relieve vendors from any obligation in respect to this RFP.

The State reserves the right to award the proposed contract to multiple Vendors if the Head of the Agency determines that such an award is in the best interest of the State.

**N. PROPOSAL EXPIRATION DATE**

Prices quoted in the proposal shall remain fixed and binding on the bidder at least through the ninety (90) day evaluation period which begins on bid opening day. Delaware reserves the right to ask for an extension of time if needed.

**O. WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSALS**

A Vendor may withdraw its proposal unopened after it has been deposited, if such a request is made prior to the time set for the opening of the proposal.

**P. PROPOSAL MODIFICATIONS**

Any changes, amendments or modifications to a submitted proposal requires that the original proposal be withdrawn, **prior** to the time set for the submission of the proposal, and a new proposal submitted **prior** to the deadline for submission of proposals.

Changes, amendments or modifications to proposals shall not be accepted or considered after the hour and date specified as the deadline for submission of proposals.

**Q. LATE PROPOSALS**

Proposals received after the specified date and time will not be accepted or considered. To guard against premature opening, sealed proposals shall be submitted, plainly marked with the proposal title, vendor

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name, and time and date of the proposal opening. Evaluation of the proposals is expected to begin shortly after the proposal due date. To document compliance with the deadline, the proposal will be date and time stamped upon receipt.

**R. ADDENDA TO THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)**

If it becomes necessary to revise any part of this RFP, revisions will be posted at <http://bids.delaware.gov/> . By submitting an offer to the State, vendors have acknowledged receipt, understanding and commitment to comply with all materials, revisions, and addenda related to the Request for Proposal.

**S. INCURRED EXPENSES**

The State will not be responsible for any expenses incurred by the Vendor in preparing and submitting a proposal.

**T. ECONOMY OF PREPARATION**

Proposals should be prepared simply and economically, providing a straight-forward, concise description of the Vendor's offer to meet the requirements of the RFP.

**U. DISCREPANCIES AND OMISSIONS**

Vendor is fully responsible for the completeness and accuracy of their proposal, and for examining this RFP and all addenda. Failure to do so will be at the sole risk of vendor. Should vendor find discrepancies, omissions, unclear or ambiguous intent or meaning, or should any questions arise concerning this RFP, vendor shall notify the State of Delaware's Designated Contact, in writing, of such findings at least ten (10) days before the proposal opening. This will allow issuance of any necessary addenda. It will also help prevent the opening of a defective proposal and exposure of vendor's proposal upon which award could not be made. All unresolved issues should be addressed in the proposal.

Protests based on any omission or error, or on the content of the solicitation, will be disallowed if these faults have not been brought to the attention of the Designated Contact, in writing, no later than ten (10) calendar days prior to the time set for opening of the proposals.

**V. EXCEPTIONS**

Bidders may elect to take **minor exception** to the terms and conditions of this RFP by completing Attachment 3. Government Support Services shall evaluate each exception according to the intent of the terms and conditions contained herein, but Government Support Services must reject exceptions that do not conform to State bid law and/or create inequality in the treatment of bidders. Exceptions shall be considered only if they are submitted with the bid or before the date and time of the bid opening.

**Exceptions must be submitted utilizing Attachment 3 to be considered.** Exceptions listed elsewhere in the Vendor's proposal will not be considered. Government Support Services maintains sole discretion to reject any vendor exceptions that are submitted.

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**W. BUSINESS REFERENCES**

Business references are to be provided via Attachment 6.

**X. DOCUMENT(S) EXECUTION**

All vendors must complete and submit with its proposal the non-collusion statement that is enclosed with this Request for Proposal labeled as Attachment 2. The awarded vendor(s) will be presented with the contract form for signature and seal, if appropriate. Both of these documents shall be executed by a representative who has the legal capacity to enter the organization into a formal contract with Government Support Services.

The State of Delaware requires completion of the [Delaware Substitute Form W-9](#) to make payments to vendors. Successful completion of this form enables the creation of a State of Delaware vendor record. The Taxpayer ID (SSN or EIN) and Applicant (vendor) name are submitted to the Internal Revenue Service for “matching.” If the Taxpayer ID and name do not match, the vendor record cannot be approved.

It is the applicant’s responsibility to select the appropriate 1099 Withholding Type and Class. If incorporated, a business is not subject to 1099 reporting unless the business is providing legal or medical services.

Any questions about completing this form or specific comments about a form that you have submitted, please contact vendor services by phone at 302-672-5000.

**Y. SUBCONTRACTS**

Subcontracting is permitted under this RFP and contract. However, every subcontractor shall be identified in the Proposal using Attachment 7.

**Z. CONFIDENTIALITY**

Subject to applicable law or the order of a court of competent jurisdiction to the contrary, all documents submitted as part of the vendor’s proposal will be treated as confidential during the evaluation process. As such, vendor proposals will not be available for review by anyone other than the State of Delaware/Proposal Evaluation Team or its designated agents. There shall be no disclosure of any vendor’s information to a competing vendor prior to award of the contract unless such disclosure is required by law or by order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

The State of Delaware and its constituent agencies are required to comply with the State of Delaware Freedom of Information Act, [29 Del. C. § 10001, et seq. \(“FOIA”\)](#). FOIA requires that the State of Delaware’s records are public records (unless otherwise declared by FOIA or other law to be exempt from disclosure) and are subject to inspection and copying by any person upon a written request. Once a proposal is received by the State of Delaware and a decision on contract award is made, the content of selected and non-selected vendor proposals will likely become subject to FOIA’s public disclosure obligations.

The State of Delaware wishes to create a business-friendly environment and procurement process. As such, the State respects the vendor community’s desire to protect its intellectual property, trade secrets, and confidential business information (collectively referred to herein as “confidential business information”). Proposals must contain sufficient information to be evaluated. If a vendor feels that they

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cannot submit their proposal without including confidential business information, they must adhere to the following procedure or their proposal may be deemed unresponsive, may not be recommended for selection, and any applicable protection for the vendor's confidential business information may be lost.

In order to allow the State to assess its ability to protect a vendor's confidential business information, vendors will be permitted to designate appropriate portions of their proposal as confidential business information.

Vendor(s) may submit portions of a proposal considered to be confidential business information in a separate, sealed envelope labeled "Confidential Business Information" and include the specific RFP number. The envelope must contain a letter from the Vendor's legal counsel describing the documents in the envelope, representing in good faith that the information in each document is not "public record" as defined by 29 Del. C. § 10002, and briefly stating the reasons that each document meets the said definitions.

Upon receipt of a proposal accompanied by such a separate, sealed envelope, the State of Delaware will open the envelope to determine whether the procedure described above has been followed. A vendor's allegation as to its confidential business information shall not be binding on the State. The State shall independently determine the validity of any vendor designation as set forth in this section. Any vendor submitting a proposal or using the procedures discussed herein expressly accepts the State's absolute right and duty to independently assess the legal and factual validity of any information designated as confidential business information. Accordingly, Vendor(s) assume the risk that confidential business information included within a proposal may enter the public domain.

**AA. PRICE NOT CONFIDENTIAL**

Vendors shall be advised that as a publically bid contract, no Vendor shall retain the right to declare their pricing confidential.

**BB. ATTACHMENTS**

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**IV. PROPOSAL EVALUATION PROCEDURES**

**A. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**

**1. STATE'S RIGHT TO REJECT PROPOSALS**

Government Support Services reserves the right to reject any or all proposals in whole or in part, to make multiple awards, partial awards, award by types, item by item, or lump sum total, whichever is determined to be the most advantageous to the State of Delaware. Vendors submitting proposals may be afforded an opportunity for discussion. Vendors may be requested to provide a best and final offer during the negotiation process. Negotiations may be conducted with responsible Vendors who submit proposals found to be reasonably likely to be selected for award. The contents of any proposal shall not be disclosed so as to be available to competing Vendors during the negotiation process.

**2. STATE'S RIGHT TO CANCEL SOLICITATION**

The State of Delaware reserves the right to cancel this solicitation at any time during the procurement process, for any reason or for no reason. The State of Delaware makes no commitments expressed or implied, that this process will result in a business transaction with any vendor.

This RFP does not constitute an offer by the State of Delaware. Vendor's participation in this process may result in the State of Delaware selecting your organization to engage in further discussions and negotiations toward execution of a contract. The commencement of such negotiations does not, however, signify a commitment by the State of Delaware to execute a contract nor to continue negotiations. The State of Delaware may terminate negotiations at any time and for any reason, or for no reason.

**3. FORMAL CONTRACT AND/OR PURCHASE ORDER**

No employee of the Contractor(s) is to begin any work prior to receipt of a State of Delaware Purchase Order signed by authorized representatives of the agency requesting service, properly processed through the State of Delaware Accounting Office. A purchase order, telephone call, email, fax or State credit card shall serve as the authorization to proceed with work in accordance with the bid specifications and the special instructions, once it is received by the Contractor(s).

**4. DELIVERY OF PROPOSALS**

Proposals shall be delivered in sealed envelopes, and shall bear on the outside the name and address of the Vendor as well as the designation of the contract. Proposals forwarded by U.S. Mail shall be sent first class to the address stated in this RFP. Proposals forwarded by delivery service other than the U.S. Mail or hand delivered must be delivered to the applicable addresses also stated in this RFP. All bids must clearly display the bid number on the envelope.

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All proposals will be accepted at the time and place set in the RFP. Vendor bears the risk of delays in delivery. Proposals received after the time set for public opening will be returned unopened.

**5. PUBLIC OPENING OF PROPOSALS**

The proposals shall be publicly opened at the time and place specified by the Agency. Vendors or their authorized representatives are invited to be present.

Only the vendor's name and address will be read aloud during the bid opening process.

**6. DISQUALIFICATION OF VENDORS**

Any one or more of the following causes may be considered as sufficient for the disqualification of a vendor and the rejection of its proposal or proposals:

- a. More than one proposal for the same contract from an individual, firm, or corporation under the same or different names.
- b. Evidence of collusion among vendors.
- c. Unsatisfactory performance record as evidenced by past experience with the State of Delaware or on a State of Delaware central contract.
- d. Any suspension or debarment of the parent company, subsidiary or individual involved with the vendor by federal, any state or any local governments within the last five (5) years.
- e. If the unit prices are obviously unbalanced either in excess or below reasonable cost analysis values.
- f. If there are any unauthorized additions, interlineations, conditional or alternate bids or irregularities of any kind which may tend to make the proposal incomplete, indefinite, or ambiguous as to its meaning.
- g. Non-attendance of mandatory pre-bid meetings shall be cause of disqualification.

**7. AUTHORITY OF AGENCY**

On all questions concerning the interpretation of specifications, the acceptability and quality of material furnished and/or work performed, the classification of material, the execution of the work, and the determination of payment due or to become due, the decision of the Agency shall be final and binding.

**8. OR EQUAL (PRODUCTS BY NAME)**

Specifications of products by name are intended to be descriptive of quality or workmanship, finish and performance. Desirable characteristics are not intended to be restrictive. Substitutions of products for those named will be considered provided the vendor certifies that the function, characteristics, performance and endurance qualities of the material offered is equal or superior to that specified.

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**B. RESPONSIVENESS AND RESPONSIBILITY OF VENDOR**

Government Support Services shall award this contract to the most responsible and responsive vendor who best meets the terms and conditions of the proposal.

1. Rejection of individual proposals. -- A proposal may be rejected for 1 or more of the following reasons:
  - a. The person responding to the solicitation is determined to be nonresponsive or non-responsible;
  - b. It is unacceptable;
  - c. The proposed price is unreasonable; or
  - d. It is otherwise not advantageous to the State.
2. Vendors whose proposals are rejected as non-responsive shall be notified in writing about the rejection.
3. Responsibility of vendors. -- It shall be determined whether a vendor is responsible before awarding a contract. Factors to be considered in determining if a vendor is responsible include:
  - a. The vendor's financial, physical, personnel or other resources, including subcontracts;
  - b. The vendor's record of performance and integrity;
  - c. Any record regarding any suspension or debarment;
  - d. Whether the vendor is qualified legally to contract with the State;
  - e. Whether the vendor supplied all necessary information concerning its responsibility; and
  - f. Any other specific criteria for a particular procurement which an agency may establish
4. If a vendor is determined to be non-responsible, the vendor shall be informed in writing.
5. The State reserves the right to waive minor irregularities, or request additional information before determining the responsiveness of the Vendor. All Vendors will be afforded the same or similar opportunities, as necessary, and will be treated with equal regard before such determinations are finalized.

**C. PROPOSAL EVALUATION COMMITTEE**

The Proposal Evaluation Committee ("Committee") is comprised of representatives of the State of Delaware.

The Committee reserves the right to:

- Select for contract or for negotiations a proposal other than that with lowest costs.
- Reject any and all proposals or portions of proposals received in response to this RFP or to make no award or issue a new RFP.
- Waive or modify any information, irregularity, or inconsistency in proposals received.
- Request modification to proposals from any or all vendors during the contract review and negotiation.
- Negotiate any aspect of the proposal with any vendor and negotiate with more than one vendor at the same time.
- Select more than one vendor pursuant to 29 Del. C. §6926. Such selection will be based on the following criteria:

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Government Support Services reserves the right to reject any or all bids in whole or in part, to make multiple awards, partial awards, award by types, section, item by item, or lump sum total, whichever may be most advantageous to the State of Delaware.

**D. REQUIREMENTS OF THE VENDOR**

The purpose of this section is to assist the Proposal Evaluation Committee to determine the ability of the organization to provide the materials and services described in the application. The proposal response should contain at a minimum the following information:

**E. CRITERIA AND SCORING**

	EVALUATION CRITERIA	
		<b>POINTS</b>
1.	Proposal Compliance: Complete proposal package submitted as described without taking exception.	Pass or Fail
2.	The sections of this Request for Proposals you are submitting a response for. I. Fire Alarm Systems & II. Fire Sprinkler Systems (together) III. Ansul Fire Suppression/Cleaning of Hoods and Vents IV. Fire Extinguisher Service V. All	50
3.	Vendor Qualification: The qualifications and previous experience with similar contracts of this size and scope. Include government as well as private sector contracts, background, experience, resources, reputation, business license, insurance, years in business, references.	80
4.	Service and Support: The ability to service multiple manufacturers equipment, i.e.: Firelite, Edwards, Silent Knight, Notifier, Simplex, etc. Ability to meet specified timeframe for inspections. Have understanding of problems that may occur and plans to correct them.	70
5.	Staff Experience/Background: Provide list of inspectors and technicians and their qualifications and experience in relation to the systems that are required to be inspected and tested.	60
6.	Methodology: Description of approach to be used for this contract, including a work plan and time line to meet requirements.	40
7.	Price proposal	100
	<b>TOTAL SCORE</b>	<b>400</b>

Procurement Evaluation Committee members will assign up to the maximum number of points listed for each of the criteria listed above. For items having quantitative answers, points will be proportionate to each proposal's response. Items with qualitative answers will receive the average of points assigned by Proposal Evaluation Committee members.

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**F. BEST AND FINAL OFFERS**

Once the proposals have been evaluated and negotiations have been held with the vendor(s) determined to be likely to receive an award, the Procurement Evaluation Committee issue a request for Best and Final Offers from the vendor(s).

**G. REFERENCES**

The Committee may contact any customer of the vendor, whether or not included in the vendor's reference list, and use such information in the evaluation process. Additionally, the State of Delaware may choose to visit existing installations of comparable systems, which may or may not include vendor personnel. If the vendor is involved in such site visits, the State of Delaware will pay travel costs only for State of Delaware personnel for these visits.

**H. ORAL PRESENTATIONS**

Selected vendors may be invited to make oral presentations to the Committee. The vendor representative(s) attending the oral presentation shall be technically qualified to respond to questions related to the proposed system and its components.

All of the vendor's costs associated with participation in oral discussions and system demonstrations conducted for the State of Delaware are the vendor's responsibility.

**V. MANDATORY PREBID MEETING**

A mandatory pre-bid meeting has been scheduled for **1:00 p.m. Local Time, Wed. March 30, 2016** at Government Support Services 100 Enterprise Place Suite 4 Dover, DE 19904. **This is a mandatory meeting.** If a Vendor does not attend this meeting, they shall be disqualified and shall not be considered for further evaluation.

Vendors interested in scheduling walk-throughs of facilities may be able to schedule with facility managers who are present at this meeting.

**VI. DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL PROVISIONS**

The attached Definitions and General Provisions apply to all contracts and are part of each Request for Proposal. The requirement to furnish a bid bond and performance bond is applicable unless waived. Should the General Provisions conflict with the Special Provisions, the Special Provisions shall prevail. Vendors or their authorized representatives are required to fully acquaint themselves as to State procurement laws and regulations prior to submitting bid.

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**A. DEFINITIONS:** Whenever the following terms are used, their intent and meaning shall be interpreted as follows:

**STATE:** The State of Delaware

**AGENCY:** State Agency as noted on cover sheet.

**BIDDER OR VENDOR:** Any individual, firm, or corporation formally submitting a proposal for the material or work contemplated, acting directly or through a duly authorized representative.

**BID INVITATION:** The "invitation to bid" or "Request for Proposal" is a packet of material sent to vendors and consists of General Provisions, Special Provisions, specifications, and enclosures.

**BOND:** The approved form of security furnished by the Vendors and its surety as a guaranty of good faith on the part of the Vendor to execute the work in accordance with the terms of the contract.

**CONTRACT:** The written agreement covering the furnishing and delivery of material or work to be performed.

**DESIGNATED OFFICIAL:** The agent authorized to act for an Agency.

**GENERAL PROVISIONS:** General Provisions are instructions pertaining to contracts in general. They contain, in summary, requirements of laws of the State, policies of the Agency, and instructions to vendors.

**LOCAL TIME:** Eastern Standard Time/Eastern Daylight Time

**OPPORTUNITY BUY:** A special offer from a supplier that is usually associated with a limited time to respond.

**PROPOSAL:** The offer of the Vendor submitted on the approved form and setting forth the Vendor's prices for performing the work or supplying the material or equipment described in the specifications.

**RFP:** Request for Proposal.

**SPECIAL PROVISIONS:** Special Provisions are specific conditions or requirements peculiar to the contract under consideration and are supplemental to the General Provisions. Should the Special Provisions conflict with the General Provisions, the Special Provisions shall prevail.

**SURETY:** The corporate body which is bound with and for the contract, or which is liable, and which engages to be responsible for the Vendor's payments of all debts pertaining to and for its acceptable performance of the work for which he has contracted

**VENDOR'S DEPOSIT:** The security designated in the proposal to be furnished by the Vendor as a guaranty of good faith to enter into a contract with the Agency if the work to be performed or the material or equipment to be furnished is awarded to it.

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**B. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**1. INTERPRETATION OF ESTIMATES/QUANTITIES**

- a. Unless stated otherwise, the quantities given in the RFP are to be considered to be approximate only and are given as a basis for the comparison of bids. The Agency may increase or decrease the amount of any item as may be deemed necessary or expedient, during the period of the contract. Bidders shall recognize there are no guaranteed minimum contract quantities or values associated with this solicitation.
- b. An increase or decrease in the quantity for any item is not sufficient ground for an increase or decrease in the unit price.
- c. Vendor usage reports for previous awards may be found at <http://contracts.delaware.gov/> and referring to the prior award contract page. Past usage shall not be considered a guaranteed future volume.

**2. SILENCE OF SPECIFICATIONS**

The apparent silence of the specifications as to any detail, or the apparent omission from it of detailed description concerning any point, shall be regarded as meaning that only the best commercial practice is to prevail and only material and workmanship of the first quality are to be used. Proof of specifications compliance will be the responsibility of the vendor.

**3. EXAMINATION OF SPECIFICATIONS AND PROVISIONS**

The Vendor shall examine carefully the proposal and the contract forms for the material contemplated. The Vendor shall investigate and satisfy itself as to the conditions to be encountered, quality and quantities of the material to be furnished, and the requirements of any Special Provisions in the RFP and the contract. The submission of a proposal shall be conclusive evidence that the Vendor has made examination of the aforementioned conditions.

**4. PRICES QUOTED**

The prices quoted are those for which the material will be furnished F.O.B. Ordering Agency and include all charges that may be imposed during the period of the contract. **All prices quoted must be in U.S. Dollars.**

All vendors that maintain a core list of products under this contract shall maintain the appropriate negotiated prices on their core list. Vendors shall routinely offer to add to the core list materiel that has been identified as necessary. The Vendors are expected to routinely update any changes to the core list with the appropriate discounts listed.

Any adjustments to a core list must receive prior written approval from the State before a core list can be changed by the Vendor. Changes include but are not limited to the migration of items on and off the core list as well as any price adjustments from the original agreed upon pricing.

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**5. PUBLIC INSPECTION OF PROPOSALS**

All documents submitted as part of the vendor's proposal will be deemed confidential during the evaluation process. Vendor proposals will not be available for review by anyone other than the State of Delaware/Proposal Evaluation Committee or its designated agents. There shall be no disclosure of any vendor's information to a competing vendor prior to award of the contract.

The State of Delaware is a public agency as defined by state law, and as such, it is subject to the Delaware Freedom of Information Act, 29 Del. C. Ch. 100. Under the law, all the State of Delaware's records are public records (unless otherwise declared by law to be confidential) and are subject to inspection and copying by any person. Vendor(s) are advised that once a proposal is received by the State of Delaware and a decision on contract award is made, its contents will become public record and nothing contained in the proposal will be deemed to be confidential except proprietary information.

Vendor(s) shall not include any information in their proposal that is proprietary in nature or that they would not want to be released to the public. Proposals must contain sufficient information to be evaluated and a contract written without reference to any proprietary information. If a vendor feels that they cannot submit their proposal without including proprietary information, they must adhere to the following procedure or their proposal may be deemed unresponsive and will not be recommended for selection. Vendor(s) must submit such information in a separate, sealed envelope labeled "Proprietary Information" with the RFP number. The envelope must contain a letter from the Vendor's legal counsel describing the documents in the envelope, representing in good faith that the information in each document is not "public record" as defined by 29 Del. C. § 10002(d), and briefly stating the reasons that each document meets the said definitions.

Upon receipt of a proposal accompanied by such a separate, sealed envelope, the State of Delaware will open the envelope to determine whether the procedure described above has been followed.

**6. LAWS TO BE OBSERVED**

The Vendor is presumed to know and shall strictly comply with all Federal, State, or County laws, and City or Town ordinances and regulations in any manner affecting the conduct of the work. The Vendor shall indemnify and save harmless the State of Delaware, the Agency, and all Officers, Agency and Servants thereof against any claim or liability arising from or based upon the violation of any such laws, ordinances, regulations, orders, or decrees whether by itself, by its employees, or by its subcontractor (s).

**7. APPLICABLE LAW AND JURISDICTION**

This bid, any resulting contract, and any and all litigation or other disputes arising therefrom, in connection with, or related hereto shall be governed by the applicable laws, regulations and rules of evidence of the State of Delaware. Bidder submits to personal jurisdiction in the State of Delaware. Any and all litigation or other disputes arising out of, in connection with, or relating to this bid, and any resulting contract, shall be brought exclusively in a court in the State of Delaware or the United States District Court of the District of Delaware as applicable.

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**8. SEVERABILITY**

If any term or provision of this Agreement is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal or otherwise unenforceable, the same shall not affect the other terms or provisions hereof or the whole of this Agreement, but such term or provision shall be deemed modified to the extent necessary in the court's opinion to render such term or provision enforceable, and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be construed and enforced accordingly, preserving to the fullest permissible extent the intent and agreements of the parties herein set forth.

**9. PERMITS AND LICENSES**

All necessary permits, licenses, insurance policies, etc. required by local, State or Federal laws, shall be provided by the Vendor at its own expense.

**10. PATENTED DEVICES, MATERIAL AND PROCESSES**

- a. The Vendor shall provide for the use of any patented design, device, material, or process to be used or furnished under this contract by suitable legal agreement with the patentee or owner, and shall file a copy of this agreement with the Agency.
- b. The Vendor and the surety shall hold and save harmless the State of Delaware, the Agency, the Director, their Officers or Agents from any and all claims because of the use of such patented design, device, material, or process in connection with the work agreed to be performed under this contract.

**11. EMERGENCY TERMINATION OF CONTRACT**

- a. Due to restrictions which may be established by the United States Government on material, or work, a contract may be terminated by the cancellation of all or portions of the contract.
- b. In the event the Vendor is unable to obtain the material required to complete the items of work included in the contract because of restrictions established by the United States Government and if, in the opinion of the Agency, it is impractical to substitute other available material, or the work cannot be completed within a reasonable time, the incomplete portions of the work may be cancelled, or the contract may be terminated.

**12. TAX EXEMPTION**

- a. Material covered by this proposal is exempt from all FEDERAL and STATE TAXES. Such taxes shall not be included in prices quoted.
- b. Any material which is to be incorporated in the work or any equipment required for the work contemplated in the proposal may be consigned to the Agency. If the shipping papers show clearly that any such material is so consigned, the shipment will be exempt from the tax on the transportation of property under provisions of Section 3475 (b) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended by Public Law 180 (78th Congress). All transportation charges shall be paid by the Vendor. Each Vendor shall take its exemption into account in calculating its bid for its work.

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**13. INVOICING**

After the awards are made, the agencies participating in the bid may forward their purchase orders ("P.O.") to the successful Vendor(s) in accordance with State Purchasing Procedures. The State will generate a payment voucher upon receipt of an acceptable invoice from the vendor. An acceptable invoice shall contain the following information; the agency name and purchase order number, date of services, location of service, building number if available, and itemized description of work performed. Invoices will not be paid without being accompanied by a legible copy of the service report signed by the appropriate facility manager.

**14. EQUALITY OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY ON PUBLIC WORKS**

During the performance of any contract for public works financed in whole or in part by appropriation of the State of Delaware, the contractor agrees as follows:

- a. The contractor, as set forth in Title 19 Delaware Code Chapter 7 section 711, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment with respect to compensation, terms, conditions or privileges of employment because of such individual's race, marital status, genetic information, color, age, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated equally during employment without regard to their race, marital status, genetic information, color, age, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: advertising, lay-off or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training including apprenticeships. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, notices to be provided by the contracting agency setting forth the provisions of this non-discrimination clause.
- b. During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:
  1. The contractor, as set forth in Title 19 Delaware Code Chapter 7 section 711, will not discriminate against any individual with respect to compensation, terms, conditions or privileges of employment because of such individual's race, marital status, genetic information, color, age, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take positive steps to ensure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, marital status, genetic information, color, age, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment notices to be provided by the contracting agency setting forth this nondiscrimination clause.
  2. The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, marital status, genetic information, color, age, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin."

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- c. The term "contractor for public works" means construction, reconstruction, demolition, alteration, and/or repair work, maintenance work, and paid for in whole or in part out of the funds of a public body except work performed under a vocational rehabilitation program. The manufacture or furnishing of materials, articles, supplies or equipment is not a public work within the meaning of this subsection unless conducted in connection with and at the site of the public work.

**15. PRICES**

Prices and/or rates shall remain firm for the initial one (1) year term of the contract, unless further negotiations are deemed necessary by the State.

The pricing policy that you choose to submit must address the following concerns:

- a. The structure must be clear, accountable and auditable.
- b. It must cover the full spectrum of services required.
- c. Costs and compensation must be consistent with the rates established or negotiated as a result of this RFP or P.O. issued based on this contract.

**16. COOPERATIVES**

Vendors, who have been awarded similar contracts through a competitive bidding process with a cooperative, are welcome to submit the cooperative pricing for this solicitation.

**17. PRICE ADJUSTMENT**

The Vendor is not prohibited from offering a price reduction on its services or materiel offered under the contract. The State is not prohibited from requesting a price reduction on those services or materiel during the initial term or any subsequent options that the State may agree to exercise.

If agreement is reached to extend this contract beyond the initial one (1) year period, Government Support Services shall have the option of offering a determined price adjustment that shall not exceed the current Philadelphia All Urban Consumers Price Index (CPI-U), U.S. City Average. If the CPI-U is used, any increase/decrease shall reflect the change during the previous published twelve (12) month period at the time of renegotiation.

**18. SHIPPING TERMS**

FOB Destination, freight prepaid.

**19. ELECTRONIC CATALOG**

At the discretion of Government Support Services, the successful vendor(s) may be required to submit their items list in an electronic format designated by the State.

By example, but not limited to, the following items may be required:

- Electronic catalogs,
- Electronic catalogs converted to a CSV format with contract specific pricing,
- Items designated by commodity/classification code: United Nations Standard Products and Services Code (UNSPSC), and/or
- A unique item ID for all items in your system and/or our award.

## **20. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS**

The parties to any contract from this solicitation shall be independent contractors to one another, and nothing herein shall be deemed to cause the agreement to create an agency, partnership, joint venture or employment relationship between parties. Each party shall be responsible for compliance with all applicable workers compensation, unemployment, disability insurance, social security withholding and all other similar matters. Neither party shall be liable for any debts, accounts, obligations or other liability whatsoever of the other party or any other obligation of the other party to pay on the behalf of its employees or to withhold from any compensation paid to such employees any social benefits, workers compensation insurance premiums or any income or other similar taxes.

## **21. TEMPORARY PERSONNEL ARE NOT STATE EMPLOYEES UNLESS AND UNTIL THEY ARE DIRECTLY HIRED**

Vendor agrees that any individual or group of temporary staff person(s) provided to the State of Delaware pursuant to this Solicitation shall remain the employee(s) of Vendor for all purposes including any required compliance with the Affordable Care Act by the Vendor. Vendor agrees that it shall not allege, argue, or take any position that individual temporary staff person(s) provided to the State pursuant to this Solicitation must be provided any benefits, including any healthcare benefits by the State of Delaware and Vendor agrees to assume the total and complete responsibility for the provision of any healthcare benefits required by the Affordable Care Act to aforesaid individual temporary staff person(s). In the event that the Internal Revenue Service, or any other third party governmental entity determines that the State of Delaware is a dual employer or the sole employer of any individual temporary staff person(s) provided to the State of Delaware pursuant to this Solicitation, Vendor agrees to hold harmless, indemnify, and defend the State to the maximum extent of any liability to the State arising out of such determinations.

Notwithstanding the content of the preceding paragraph, should the State of Delaware subsequently directly hire any individual temporary staff employee(s) provided pursuant to this Solicitation, the aforementioned obligations to hold harmless, indemnify, and defend the State of Delaware shall cease and terminate for the period following the date of hire. Nothing herein shall be deemed to terminate the Vendor's obligation to hold harmless, indemnify, and defend the State of Delaware for any liability that arises out of compliance with the ACA prior to the date of hire by the State of Delaware. Vendor will waive any separation fee provided an employee works for both the vendor and hiring agency, continuously, for a three (3) month period and is provided thirty (30) days written notice of intent to hire from the agency. Notice can be issued at second month if it is the State's intention to hire.

## **22. ACA SAFE HARBOR**

The State and its utilizing agencies are not the employer of temporary or contracted staff. However, the State is concerned that it could be determined to be a Common-law Employer as defined by the Affordable Care Act ("ACA"). Therefore, the State seeks to utilize the "Common-law Employer Safe Harbor Exception" under the ACA to transfer health benefit insurance requirements to the staffing company. The Common-law Employer Safe Harbor Exception can be attained when the State and/or its agencies are charged and pay for an "Additional Fee" with respect to the employees electing to obtain health coverage from the Vendor.

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The Common-law Employer Safe Harbor Exception under the ACA requires that an Additional Fee must be charged to those employees who obtain health coverage from the Vendor, but does not state the required amount of the fee. The State requires that all Vendors shall identify the Additional Fee to obtain health coverage from the Vendor and delineate the Additional Fee from all other charges and fees. The Vendor shall identify both the Additional Fee to be charged and the basis of how the fee is applied (i.e. per employee, per invoice, etc.). The State will consider the Additional Fee and prior to award reserves the right to negotiate any fees offered by the Vendor. Further, the Additional Fee shall be separately scored in the proposal to ensure that neither prices charged nor the Additional Fee charged will have a detrimental effect when selecting vendor(s) for award.

**23. FUNDING OUT or NON-APPROPRIATION**

In the event the General Assembly fails to appropriate the specific funds necessary to enter into or continue the contractual agreement, in whole or part, the agreement shall be terminated as to any obligation of the State requiring the expenditure of money for which no specific appropriation is available at the end of the last fiscal year for which no appropriation is available or upon the exhaustion of funds.

**24. MANDATORY INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

As a part of the contract requirements, the contractor must obtain at its own cost and expense and keep in force and effect during the term of this contract, including all extensions, the minimum coverage limits specified below with a carrier satisfactory to the State. All contractors must carry the following coverage depending on the type of service or product being delivered.

- a. Commercial General Liability - \$1,000,000 per occurrence/\$3,000,000 aggregate,  
and
- b. Product Liability - \$1,000,000 per occurrence/\$3,000,000 aggregate,  
and
- c. Automotive Liability Insurance covering all automotive units used in the work with limits of not less than \$100,000 each person and \$300,000 each accident as to bodily injury and \$25,000 as to property damage to other,  
and
- d. The vendor shall maintain such insurance as will protect against claims under Worker's Compensation Act and from any other claims for damages for personal injury, including death, which may arise from operations under this contract. The vendor is an independent contractor and is not an employee of the State of Delaware.

Before any work is done with the State, a Certificate of Insurance referencing the name and contract number stated herein, shall be filed with the State. The certificate holder is as follows:

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Government Support Services  
Contract # GSS16259-FIRE\_SUPPR  
100 Enterprise Place, Suite 4  
Dover, DE 19904-8202**

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**Note: The State of Delaware shall not be named as an additional insured.**

**Should any of the above described policies be cancelled before the expiration date thereof, notice will be delivered in accordance with the policy provisions.**

## **25. STATE OF DELAWARE BUSINESS LICENSE**

Prior to receiving an award, the successful Vendor shall either furnish the Agency with proof of State of Delaware Business Licensure or initiate the process of application where required. An application may be requested in writing to: Division of Revenue, Carvel State Building, P.O. Box 8750, 820 N. French Street, Wilmington, DE 19899 or by telephone to one of the following numbers: 302-577-8778.

<http://revenue.delaware.gov/services/BusServices.shtml>

Information regarding the award of this contract will be given to the Division of Revenue. Failure to comply with the State of Delaware licensing requirements may subject your organization to applicable fines and/or interest penalties.

## **26. INDEMNIFICATION**

- a. General Indemnification:** By submitting a proposal, the proposing vendor agrees that in the event it is awarded a contract, it will indemnify and otherwise hold harmless the State of Delaware, its agents and employees from any and all liability, suits, actions, or claims, together with all costs, expenses for attorney's fees, arising out of the vendor's its agents and employees' performance work or services in connection with the contract, regardless of whether such suits, actions, claims or liabilities are based upon acts or failures to act attributable, in whole or part, to the State, its employees or agents.
- b. Proprietary Rights Indemnification:** Vendor shall warrant that all elements of its solution, including all equipment, software, documentation, services and deliverables, do not and will not infringe upon or violate any patent, copyright, trade secret or other proprietary rights of any third party. In the event of any claim, suit or action by any third party against the State of Delaware, the State of Delaware shall promptly notify the vendor in writing and vendor shall defend such claim, suit or action at vendor's expense, and vendor shall indemnify the State of Delaware against any loss, cost, damage, expense or liability arising out of such claim, suit or action (including, without limitation, litigation costs, lost employee time, and counsel fees) whether or not such claim, suit or action is successful.

If any equipment, software, services (including methods) products or other intellectual property used or furnished by the vendor (collectively ""Products") is or in vendor's reasonable judgment is likely to be, held to constitute an infringing product, vendor shall at its expense and option either:

1. Procure the right for the State of Delaware to continue using the Product(s);
2. Replace the product with a non-infringing equivalent that satisfies all the requirements of the contract; or
3. Modify the Product(s) to make it or them non-infringing, provided that the modification does not materially alter the functionality or efficacy of the product or cause the Product(s) or any part of the work to fail to conform to the requirements of the Contract, or only alters the Product(s) to a degree that the State of Delaware agrees to and accepts in writing.

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**27. NON-PERFORMANCE**

In the event the Vendor does not fulfill its obligations under the terms and conditions of this contract, in addition to proceeding with termination of the contract, the ordering agency may terminate any individual orders in accordance with General Provisions, Item 47 below and purchase equivalent product on the open market. Regarding any such open market purchase, payment for any difference in cost or expense in excess of the contract prices for reasonably equivalent products or services herein shall be the responsibility of the Vendor and shall be submitted to the State no later than 30 days following the delivery of the State's invoice detailing the open market purchase. Under no circumstances shall monies be due the Vendor in the event open market products can be obtained below contract cost. Any monies charged to the Vendor may be deducted from an open invoice.

**28. FORCE MAJEURE**

Neither the vendor nor the ordering agency shall be held liable for non-performance under the terms and conditions of this contract due, but not limited to, government restriction, strike, flood, fire, or unforeseen catastrophe beyond either party's control. Each party shall notify the other in writing of any situation that may prevent performance under the terms and conditions of this contract.

**29. VENDOR NON-ENTITLEMENT**

State of Delaware Vendors for Materiel and for Services shall not have legal entitlement to utilize any Central Contract held by the State of Delaware. The Vendors may not seek business from another Vendors' Central Contract for the purpose of preparing a bid or proposal to the State of Delaware. Additionally, they shall not utilize other Central Contracts to fulfill the requirements of their respective contract unless they are considered a "Covered Agency" as defined by Title 29 Chapter 69 of the State Procurement Code or otherwise permitted by law.

This is not a prohibition from any Vendor choosing to work with another Vendor who holds a State Central Contract for private business.

**30. OPPORTUNITY BUYS**

The Director for the State of Delaware, Office of Management and Budget, Government Support Services can waive use of a central contract pursuant to 29 Del. C. §6911(e). A process has been developed to permit any vendor the opportunity to submit an Opportunity Buy offer to the State for goods and/or services for consideration despite the existence of a central contract. See [http://gss.omb.delaware.gov/contracting/documents/agencyboilers/opportunity\\_buy\\_flowchart.pdf](http://gss.omb.delaware.gov/contracting/documents/agencyboilers/opportunity_buy_flowchart.pdf). The Director will afford any vendor on an existing central contract an opportunity to match or to beat the Opportunity Buy offer made by a non-contracted vendor prior to a waiver being granted.

**31. I FOUND IT CHEAPER**

Director for the State of Delaware, Office of Management and Budget, Government Support Services can waive use of a central contract pursuant to 29 Del. C. §6911(e). A process has been developed to permit any State employee or Vendor to identify a lower price for material and or services for consideration despite the existence of a central contract. See

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[http://gss.omb.delaware.gov/contracting/documents/agencyboilers/opportunity\\_buy\\_found\\_cheaper\\_flowchart.pdf](http://gss.omb.delaware.gov/contracting/documents/agencyboilers/opportunity_buy_found_cheaper_flowchart.pdf). The Director will afford any Vendor on an existing central contact an opportunity to match or to beat the I Found It Cheaper suggestion and if not matched or beaten, approve the purchase via a waiver.

### **32. REQUIRED REPORTING**

One of the primary goals in administering this contract is to keep accurate records regarding its actual value/usage. This information is essential in order to update the contents of the contract and to establish proper bonding levels, if they are required. The integrity of future contracts revolves around our ability to convey accurate and realistic information to all interested parties.

A complete and accurate Usage Report (Attachment 8) shall be furnished in an Excel format and submitted electronically, no later than the 15th (or next business day after the 15th day) of each month, detailing the purchasing of all items on this contract. The reports shall be submitted and sent as an attachment to [vendorusage@state.de.us](mailto:vendorusage@state.de.us). Submitted reports shall contain accurate descriptions of the products, goods or services procured, purchasing agency information, including the six-digit department and organization code, quantities procured and prices paid. Any exception to this mandatory requirement or failure to submit complete reports, or in the format required, may result in corrective action, up to and including the possible cancellation of the award. Failure to provide the report with the minimum required information may also negate any contract extension clauses. Additionally, Vendors who are determined to be in default of this mandatory report requirement may have such conduct considered against them, in assessment of responsibility, in the evaluation of future proposals.

In accordance with Executive Order 44, the State of Delaware is committed to supporting its diverse business industry and population. The successful Vendor will be required to accurately report on the participation by Diversity Suppliers which includes: minority (MBE), woman (WBE), veteran owned business (VOBE), or service disabled veteran owned business (SDVOBE) under this awarded contract. The reported data elements shall include but not be limited to; name of state contract/project, the name of the Diversity Supplier, Diversity Supplier contact information (phone, email), type of product or service provided by the Diversity Supplier and any minority, women, veteran, or service disabled veteran certifications for the subcontractor (State OSD certification, Minority Supplier Development Council, Women's Business Enterprise Council, VetBiz.gov). The format used for Subcontracting 2nd Tier reporting is shown as Attachment 9.

Accurate 2nd Tier reports shall be submitted to the contracting Agency's Office of Supplier Diversity at [vendorusage@state.de.us](mailto:vendorusage@state.de.us) on the 15th (or next business day) of the month following each quarterly period. For consistency quarters shall be considered to end the last day of March, June, September and December of each calendar year. Contract spend during the covered periods shall result in a report even if the contract has expired by the report due date.

### **33. ORDERING PROCEDURE**

Successful Vendors are required to have either a local telephone number within the (302) area code, a toll free (800) number, or agree to accept collect calls. Depending on the nature and scope of the event, each State agency or other governmental entity shall be responsible for contacting the awarded vendor directly for all required resources. All consumables delivered by the Vendor and received by a

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State agency or other governmental entity, become the property of that State agency or entity. Orders may be accomplished by written purchase order, telephone, email, fax or computer on-line systems.

**34. PURCHASE ORDERS**

Agencies that are part of the First State Financial (FSF) system are required to identify the contract number GSS16259-FIRE\_SUPPR on all Purchase Orders (P.O.) and shall complete the same when entering P.O. information in the state's financial reporting system.

**35. BILLING**

The Vendor is required to "Bill as Shipped" to the respective ordering agency(s). Ordering agencies shall provide contract number, ship to and bill to address, contact name and phone number. The Vendor shall not charge a late fee that exceeds more than one percent (1%) per month, not to exceed twelve percent (12%) per annum.

Agencies will make every effort to achieve available discount opportunities under this contract. Vendors shall be required to report semi-annually opportunities to enhance the discounts achieved.

**36. METHOD OF PAYMENT**

- a. For each P.O. issued as part of this contract, the State will pay Vendor monthly, within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Vendor's billing, the amount which is legitimately earned by the Vendor, and supported by payroll data and an itemized accounting of reasonable reimbursable direct non-salary costs. A current progress report of the work shall accompany each billing.

Final settlement for total payment to the Vendor will be made within thirty (30) days from the date of final written State acceptance of the work and services as agreed to in the P.O.

- b. No premium time for overtime will be paid without prior written State authorization. Indirect overhead cost shall not be applied to the premium portion of the overtime.
- c. The agencies or school districts using this award will authorize and process for payment each invoice within thirty (30) days after the date of receipt of a correct invoice. The State of Delaware intends to maximize the use of the P-Card for payment for goods and services provided under contract. Vendors shall not charge additional fees for acceptance of this payment method and shall incorporate any costs into their proposals. Additionally there shall be no minimum or maximum limits on any P-Card transaction under the contract. While it is the State's intention to utilize the P-card payment method the State reserves, at its discretion, the right to pay by ACH/ACI or check. Should a Vendor wish to provide a financial incentive to not process payment by P-Card in their proposal, they are to prepare their proposals to clearly outline any incentives for alternative payment methods the Vendor is willing to accept.

**37. PRODUCT SUBSTITUTION**

All items or services delivered during the life of the contract shall be of the same type and manufacture as specified or accepted as part of the proposal unless specific approval is given by the Agency to do otherwise. Awarded vendors are highly encouraged to offer any like substitute product (s), either generic or brand name, at any time during the subsequent contract term, especially if an opportunity for

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cost savings to the state exists. In all cases, the state may require the submission of written specifications and/or product samples for evaluation prior to any approvals being granted.

If a substitution is granted by the state, the Vendor must update its core list and maintain said list in a timely manner.

**38. SCHEDULE FOR PERFORMANCE OF WORK**

All work described in these specifications shall be completed with reasonable promptness. As used in this Section, the State of Delaware shall be the sole judge of the term “reasonable”. If the Vendor does not begin the work in a reasonable amount of time, they will be notified that if they fail to initiate the work promptly, the contract may be terminated and the State will forthwith proceed to collect for nonperformance of work.

**39. VENDOR RESPONSIBILITY**

The State will enter into a contract with the successful Vendor(s). The successful Vendor(s) shall be responsible for all products and services as required by this RFP whether or not the Vendor or its subcontractor provided final fulfillment of the order. Subcontractors, if any, shall be clearly identified in the Vendor’s proposal by completing Attachment 7, and are subject the approval and acceptance of Government Support Services.

**40. VENDOR- OWNED RENTAL EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES REMOVAL**

The awarded Vendor shall remove all rental equipment and supplies from the event location (s) no later than an agreed to date once all contract obligations by the Vendor have been met.

**41. ENVIRONMENTAL PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS**

- a. Energy Star - If applicable, the Vendor must provide products that earn the ENERGY STAR rating and meet the ENERGY STAR specifications for energy efficiency in order to keep overall event costs to a minimum. The Vendor is encouraged to visit [www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov) for complete product specifications and updated lists of qualifying products.
- b. Green Products – third party certification of green products accepted from GSS w/approved green certification shall be offered wherever available in addition to or as a substitute for non-green products.
- c. Vendors shall report all green items procured during the monthly reporting period using the Usage Report that will be provided to the awarded Vendor(s).
- d. Environmental Procurement Policies of the State shall determine acceptable consideration and credit for environmentally preferred products and services in the performance of this award. The State Environmental Procurement Policies may be found: <http://www.gss.omb.delaware.gov/contracting/documents/environmentally-preferred-purchasing-policy.pdf>

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**42. PERSONNEL, EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES**

- a. The Vendor represents that it has, or will secure at its own expense, all personnel required to perform the services required under this contract.
- b. All of the equipment and services required hereunder shall be provided by or performed by the Vendor or under its direct supervision, and all personnel, including subcontractors, engaged in the work shall be fully qualified and shall be authorized under State and local law to perform such services.
- c. None of the equipment and/or services covered by this contract shall be subcontracted without the prior written approval of the State. Only those subcontractors identified in Attachment 7 are considered approved upon award. Changes to those subcontractor(s) listed in Attachment 7 must be approved in writing by the State.

**43. FAIR BACKGROUND CHECK PRACTICES**

Pursuant to 29 Del. C. [§6909B](#), the State does not consider the criminal record, criminal history, credit history or credit score of an applicant for state employment during the initial application process unless otherwise required by state and/or federal law. Vendors doing business with the State are encouraged to adopt fair background check practices. Vendors can refer to 19 Del. C. [§711\(q\)](#) for applicable established provisions.

**44. VENDOR BACKGROUND CHECK REQUIREMENTS**

Vendor(s) selected for an award that access state property or come in contact with vulnerable populations, including children and youth, shall be required to complete background checks on employees serving the State's on premises contracts. Unless otherwise directed, at a minimum, this shall include a check of the following registry:

- Delaware Sex Offender Central Registry at:  
<https://sexoffender.dsp.delaware.gov/>

Individuals that are listed in the registry shall be prevented from direct contact in the service of an awarded state contract, but may provide support or off-site premises service for contract vendors. Should an individual be identified and the Vendor(s) believes their employee's service does not represent a conflict with this requirement, may apply for a waiver to the primary agency listed in the solicitation. The Agency's decision to allow or deny access to any individual identified on a registry database is final and at the Agency's sole discretion.

By Agency request, the Vendor(s) shall provide a list of all employees serving an awarded contract, and certify adherence to the background check requirement. Individual(s) found in the central registry in violation of the terms stated, shall be immediately prevented from a return to state property in service of a contract award. A violation of this condition represents a violation of the contract terms and conditions, and may subject the Vendor to penalty, including contract cancellation for cause.

Individual contracts may require additional background checks and/or security clearance(s), depending on the nature of the services to be provided or locations accessed, but any other requirements shall be stated in the contract scope of work or be a matter of common law. The Vendor(s) shall be responsible for the background check requirements of any authorized Subcontractor providing service to the Agency's contract.

#### **45. DRUG TESTING REQUIREMENTS FOR LARGE PUBLIC WORKS**

Pursuant to 29 Del.C. [§6908\(a\)\(6\)](#), effective as of January 1, 2016, OMB has established regulations that require Contractors and Subcontractors to implement a program of mandatory drug testing for Employees who work on Large Public Works Contracts funded all or in part with public funds. The regulations establish the mechanism, standards and requirements of a Mandatory Drug Testing Program that will be incorporated by reference into all Large Public Works Contracts awarded pursuant to 29 Del.C. [§6962](#).

Final publication of the identified regulations can be found at the following:  
[4104 Regulations for the Drug Testing of Contractor and Subcontractor Employees Working on Large Public Works Projects](#)

#### **46. MINIMUM WAGE RATES**

Work performed under this solicitation may fall under the [State of Delaware Minimum Wage Rates](#) or the Delaware Prevailing Wage rates. Prior to issuing a purchase order, the ordering agencies must obtain from the Department of Labor a determination if prevailing wage applies to the project and, if appropriate, what the applicable prevailing wage rates would be for the work to be performed. No work shall proceed without a determination by the Department of Labor. Request for prevailing wage certification can be found at: <http://dia.delawareworks.com/labor-law/prevailing-wage.php>.

#### **47. PREVAILING WAGE**

The prevailing wage law, 29 Del.C. [§6960](#), is enforced by the Department of Labor and states that the specifications for every contract or aggregate of contracts relating to a public works project in excess of \$500,000 for new construction (including painting and decorating) or \$45,000 for alteration, repair, renovation, rehabilitation, demolition or reconstruction (including painting and decorating of building or works) to which this State or any subdivision thereof is a party and for which the State appropriated any part of the funds and which requires or involves the employment of mechanics and/or laborers shall contain a provision stating the minimum wages to be paid various classes of laborers and mechanics which shall be based upon the wages that will be determined by the Delaware Department of Labor, Division of Industrial Affairs, to be prevailing in the county in which the work is to be performed.

#### **48. DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

At the option of, and in the manner prescribed by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), the parties shall attempt in good faith to resolve any dispute arising out of or relating to this Agreement promptly by negotiation between executives who have authority to settle the controversy and who are at a higher level of management than the persons with direct responsibility for administration of this Agreement. All offers, promises, conduct and statements, whether oral or written, made in the course of the negotiation by any of the parties, their agents, employees, experts and attorneys are confidential, privileged and inadmissible for any purpose, including impeachment, in arbitration or other proceeding involving the parties, provided evidence that is otherwise admissible or discoverable shall not be rendered inadmissible.

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If the matter is not resolved by negotiation, as outlined above, or, alternatively, OMB elects to proceed directly to mediation, then the matter will proceed to mediation as set forth below. Any disputes, claims or controversies arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be submitted to mediation by a mediator selected by OMB, and if the matter is not resolved through mediation, then it shall be submitted, in the sole discretion of OMB, to the Office of Management and Budget, Government Support Services Director, for final and binding arbitration. OMB reserves the right to proceed directly to arbitration or litigation without negotiation or mediation. Any such proceedings held pursuant to this provision shall be governed by Delaware law and venue shall be in Delaware. The parties shall maintain the confidential nature of the arbitration proceeding and the Award, including the Hearing, except as may be necessary to prepare for or conduct the arbitration hearing on the merits. Each party shall bear its own costs of mediation, arbitration or litigation, including attorneys' fees.

**49. TERMINATION OF INDIVIDUAL ORDERS OR PURCHASE ORDERS**

As a central contract, the contract resulting from this RFP shall include individual orders from state agencies and other entities authorized by law to procure from this contract. The individual orders may be terminated as follows:

- a. Termination for Cause:** If, for any reasons, or through any cause, the Vendor fails to fulfill in timely and proper manner his obligations, or if the Vendor violates any of the covenants, agreements, or stipulations of this contract, the Agency shall have the right to terminate the P.O. by giving written notice to the Vendor of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof, at least five (5) days before the effective date of such termination. In that event, all finished or unfinished documents, data, studies, surveys, drawings, maps, models, photographs, and reports or other material prepared by the Vendor in the performance of the P.O. shall, at the option of the Agency, become its property, and the Vendor shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any satisfactory work completed on such documents and other materials which is usable to the Agency.
- b. Termination for Convenience:** The Agency may terminate the P.O. at any time by giving written notice of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof, at least sixty (60) days before the effective date of such termination. In that event, all finished or unfinished documents, data, studies, surveys, drawings, models, photographs, reports, supplies, and other materials shall, at the option of the department, become its property and the Vendor shall be entitled to receive compensation for any satisfactory work completed on such documents and other materials which are usable to the Agency.
- c. Termination for Non-Appropriations:** In the event the General Assembly fails to appropriate the specific funds necessary to enter into or continue the contractual agreement, in whole or part, the agreement shall be terminated as to any obligation of the State requiring the expenditure of money for which no specific appropriation is available at the end of the last fiscal year for which no appropriation is available or upon the exhaustion of funds. This is not a termination for convenience and will not be converted to such.

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**50. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT**

As a central contract, the contract resulting from this RFP may be terminated as follows by Government Support Services.

- a. Termination for Cause:** If, for any reasons, or through any cause, the Vendor fails to fulfill in timely and proper manner its obligations under this Contract, or if the Vendor violates any of the covenants, agreements, or stipulations of this Contract, the State shall thereupon have the right to terminate this contract by giving written notice to the Vendor of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof, at least thirty (30) days before the effective date of such termination. In that event, all finished or unfinished documents, data, studies, surveys, drawings, maps, models, photographs, and reports or other material prepared by the Vendor under this Contract shall, at the option of the State, become its property, and the Vendor shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any satisfactory work completed on such documents and other materials which is usable to the State.

On receipt of the contract cancellation notice from the State, the Vendor shall have not less than five (5) days to provide a written response and may identify a method(s) to resolve the violation(s). A vendor response shall not effect or prevent the contract cancellation unless the State provides a written acceptance of the vendor response. If the State does accept the Vendor's method and/or action plan to correct the identified deficiencies, the State will define the time by which the Vendor must fulfill its corrective obligations. Final retraction of the State's termination for cause will only occur after the Vendor successfully rectifies the original violation(s). At its discretion the State may reject in writing the Vendor's proposed action plan and proceed with the original contract cancellation timeline.

- b. Termination for Convenience:** The State may terminate this Contract at any time by giving written notice of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof, at least sixty (60) days before the effective date of such termination. In that event, all finished or unfinished documents, data, studies, surveys, drawings, models, photographs, reports, supplies, and other materials shall, at the option of the State, become its property and the Vendor shall be entitled to receive compensation for any satisfactory work completed on such documents and other materials, and which is usable to the State.
- c. Termination for Non-Appropriations:** In the event the General Assembly fails to appropriate the specific funds necessary to enter into or continue the contractual agreement, in whole or part, the agreement shall be terminated as to any obligation of the State requiring the expenditure of money for which no specific appropriation is available at the end of the last fiscal year for which no appropriation is available or upon the exhaustion of funds. This is not a termination for convenience and will not be converted to such.

**51. CHANGES**

Both parties may, from time to time, require changes in the services to be provided by the Vendor under the Scope of Work. Such changes, including any increase or decrease in the amount of the Vendor's compensation, which are mutually agreed upon by and between the Agency and the Vendor shall be incorporated in written amendments to the Purchase Order or contract.

**52. INTEREST OF VENDOR**

The Vendor covenants that it presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree in providing products or performing services required under this contract. The Vendor further covenants, that in the performance of this contract, no person having any such interest shall be employed.

**53. PUBLICATION, REPRODUCTION AND USE OF MATERIAL**

No material produced in whole or part under this contract shall be subject to copyright in the United States or in any other country. The State shall have unrestricted authority to publish, disclose, distribute and otherwise use, in whole or in part, any reports, data, or other materials prepared under this contract; provided, however, that the State agrees not to use any design or engineering plans prepared by the Vendor for anything other than their intended purpose under this Contract. The Vendor shall have the right to publish any and all scientific findings. Appropriate acknowledgment and credit for the State's support shall be given in the publication.

**54. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS**

The rights and obligations of each party to this agreement shall not be effective, and no party shall be bound by the terms of this agreement, unless and until a valid executed purchase order has been approved by the Secretary of Finance, and all procedures of the Department of Finance have been complied with. A separate purchase order shall be issued for every project or order.

**55. ASSIGNMENT OF ANTITRUST CLAIMS**

As consideration for the award and execution of this contract by the State, the Vendor hereby grants, conveys, sells, assigns, and transfers to the State of Delaware all of its right, title and interest in and to all known or unknown causes of action it presently has or may now or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the State of Delaware, regarding the specific goods or services purchased or acquired for the State pursuant to this contract. Upon either the State's or the Vendor notice of the filing of or reasonable likelihood of filing of an action under the antitrust laws of the United States or the State of Delaware, the State and Vendor shall meet and confer about coordination of representation in such action.

**56. TESTING AND INSPECTION**

The State of Delaware reserves the right to conduct any test or inspection it may deem necessary to insure equipment, materials and services conform to contract requirements.

**57. COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES**

The Vendor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees. For breach or violation of this warranty, the State shall have the right to annul this contract without liability or in its discretion to deduct from the contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fees.

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**58. GRATUITIES**

- a. If it is found, after notice and hearing, by the State that gratuities (in the form of entertainment, gifts, or otherwise) were offered or given by the Vendor or any agent of the State with a view toward securing a contract, or securing favorable treatment with respect to the awarding, amending, or the making of any determinations with respect to the performance of this contract, the State may, by written notice to the Vendor, terminate the right of the Vendor to proceed under this contract and/or may pursue such other rights and remedies provided by law or under this agreement; provided that the existence of the facts upon which the State makes such findings shall be in issue and may be reviewed in proceedings pursuant to the Remedies clause of this contract; and
- b. In the event this contract is terminated pursuant to subparagraph "a", the State shall be entitled (i) to pursue the same remedies against the Vendor, and (ii) to exemplary damages, as a penalty in addition to any other damages to which it may be entitled by law, in an amount which shall be not less than three, nor more than ten, times the costs incurred by the Vendor in providing any such gratuities to any such officer or employee. The amount of such exemplary damages shall be in the sole discretion of the State.

**59. AFFIRMATION**

The Vendor must affirm that within the past five (5) years the firm or any officer, controlling stockholder, partner, principal, or other person substantially involved in the contracting activities of the business is not currently suspended or debarred and is not a successor, subsidiary, or affiliate of a suspended or debarred business.

**60. AUDIT ACCESS TO RECORDS**

The Vendor shall maintain books, records, documents, and other evidence pertaining to this Contract to the extent and in such detail as shall adequately reflect performance hereunder. The Vendor agrees to preserve and make available to the State, upon request, such records for a period of five (5) years from the date services were rendered by the Vendor. Records involving matters in litigation shall be retained for one (1) year following the termination of such litigation. The Vendor agrees to make such records available for inspection, audit, or reproduction to any official State representative in the performance of their duties under the Contract. Upon notice given to the Vendor, representatives of the State or other duly authorized State or Federal agency may inspect, monitor, and/or evaluate the cost and billing records or other material relative to this Contract. The cost of any Contract audit disallowances resulting from the examination of the Vendor's financial records will be borne by the Vendor. Reimbursement to the State for disallowances shall be drawn from the Vendor's own resources and not charged to Contract cost or cost pools indirectly charging Contract costs.

**61. REMEDIES**

Except as otherwise provided in this contract, all claims, counterclaims, disputes, and other matters in question between the State and the Vendor arising out of, or relating to, this contract, or a breach of it may be decided by arbitration if the parties mutually agree, or in a court of competent jurisdiction within the State of Delaware.

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**62. SUBCONTRACTS**

Subcontracting is permitted under this RFP and contract. However, every subcontractor or reseller shall be identified in the Proposal (Attachment 7) and agreed to in writing by the State or as are specifically authorized in writing by the Agency during the performance of the contract. Any substitutions in or additions to such subcontractors, associates, or consultants will be subject to the prior written approval of the State.

The Vendor(s) shall be responsible for compliance by the subcontractor with all terms, conditions and requirements of the RFP and with all local, State and Federal Laws. The Vendor shall be liable for any noncompliance by any subcontractor. Further, nothing contained herein or in any subcontractor agreement shall be construed as creating any contractual relationship between the subcontractor and the State.

**63. AGENCY'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Agency shall:

- a. Examine and review in detail all letters, reports, drawings and other documents presented by the Vendor to the Agency and render to the Vendor in writing, findings and decisions pertaining thereto within a reasonable time so as not to delay the services of Vendor.
- b. Give prompt written notice to the Contractor whenever the Agency observes or otherwise becomes aware of any development that affects the scope or timing of the Contractor's services.
- c. When an ordering agency first experiences a relatively minor problem or difficulty with a vendor, the agency will contact the vendor directly and attempt to informally resolve the problem. This includes failure to perform by the date specified and any unacceptable difference(s) between the purchase order and the merchandise received. Ordering agencies should stress to vendors that they should expedite correction of the differences because failure to reply may result in an unfavorable rating in the execution of the awarded contract.
- d. The state has several remedies available to resolve non-performance issues with the contractor. The Agency should refer to the Contract Terms and Conditions to view these remedies. When a default occurs, the Agency should first review the contract to confirm that the issue is a part of the contract. If the issue is not covered by the contract, the state cannot expect the contractor to perform outside the agreement. If the issue is a part of the contract, the Agency or GSS - Contracting must then contact the contractor, discuss the reasons surrounding the default and establish a date when the contractor will resolve the non-performance issue.
- e. If there is a performance deficiency, a Corrective Action Report (CAR) may be used. Complete this form to report concerns with vendors or commodities. Be sure to furnish as much detail as possible. <http://gss.omb.delaware.gov/divisionwide/forms.shtml>

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**64. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS**

The Definitions and General Provisions and any Special Instructions, Specifications, Request for Proposal, Proposal, Purchase Order, and Contract shall be a part of and constitute the entire Agreement entered into by the State of Delaware and any Vendor. In the event there is any discrepancy between any of these contract documents, the following order of documents governs so that the former prevails over the latter:

- Contract
- Request for Proposal
- Specifications or Scope of Work
- Definitions & General Provisions
- Proposal
- Purchase Order
- Special Instruction

**65. ASSIGNMENT**

This contract shall not be assigned except by express prior written consent from the Agency.

**66. NOTICE**

Any notice to the State of Delaware required under the contract shall be sent by registered mail to:

**State of Delaware  
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100 Enterprise Place, Suite 4  
Dover, DE 19904-8202**

**67. VENDOR EMERGENCY RESPONSE POINT OF CONTACT**

The awarded vendor(s) shall provide the name(s), telephone, or cell phone number(s) of those individuals who can be contacted twenty four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week where there is a critical need for commodities or services when the Governor of the State of Delaware declares a state of emergency under the Delaware Emergency Operations Plan or in the event of a local emergency or disaster where a state governmental entity requires the services of the vendor. Failure to provide this information could render the proposal as non-responsive.

In the event of a serious emergency, pandemic or disaster outside the control of the State, the State may negotiate, as may be authorized by law, emergency performance from the Contractor to address the immediate needs of the State, even if not contemplated under the original Contract or procurement. Payments are subject to appropriation and other payment terms.

**68. NO PRESS RELEASES OR PUBLIC DISCLOSURE**

The State of Delaware reserves the right to pre-approve any news or broadcast advertising releases concerning this solicitation, the resulting contract, the work performed, or any reference to the State of Delaware with regard to any project or contract performance. Any such news or advertising releases pertaining to this solicitation or resulting contract shall require the prior express written permission of the State of Delaware.

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The State will not prohibit or otherwise prevent the awarded vendor(s) from direct marketing to the State of Delaware agencies, departments, municipalities, and/or any other political subdivisions, however, the Vendor shall not use the State's seal or imply preference for the solution or goods provided.

**C. AWARD AND EXECUTION OF CONTRACT**

**1. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS**

The right is reserved to waive technicalities, to reject any or all bids, or any portion thereof, to seek new proposals, to proceed to do the work otherwise, or to abandon the work, if in the judgment of the Agency or its agent, the best interest of the State will be promoted thereby.

**2. MATERIAL GUARANTY**

Before any contract is awarded, the successful Vendor may be required to furnish a complete statement of the origin, composition and manufacture of any or all of the material to be used in the contract together with such samples as may be requested for the purpose of testing.

**3. AWARD OF CONTRACT**

Within ninety (90) days from the date of opening proposals, the contract will be awarded or the proposals rejected.

**4. EXECUTION OF CONTRACT**

The Vendor (s) to whom the award is made shall execute a formal contract within twenty (20) days after date of official notice of the award of the contract.

**5. WARRANTY**

The successful Vendor(s) shall be required to extend any policy guarantee usually offered to the general public, FEDERAL, STATE, COUNTY, or MUNICIPAL governments, on material in this contract against defective material, workmanship, and performance.

**6. THE CONTRACT(S)**

The contract(s) with the successful Vendor(s) will be executed with Government Support Services acting for all participating governmental entities.

**7. INFORMATION REQUIREMENT**

The successful Vendor's shall be required to advise and provide Government Support Services of the gross costs associated with this contract.

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**VII. PROPOSAL REPLY SECTION for CONTRACT NO. GSS16259-FIRE\_SUPPR**

**FIRE SUPPRESSION SERVICES, INSPECTION AND TESTING**

Please fill out the attached forms fully and completely and return with your proposal in a sealed envelope clearly displaying the contract number to the State of Delaware, Government Support Services by 1:00 p.m. (Local Time) on Tue. April 19, 2016 at which time bids will be opened.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting has been scheduled for 1:00 p.m. Local Time, Wed. March 30, 2016 and will be held at the address shown below. **This is a mandatory meeting.** If a Vendor does not attend this meeting; they shall be disqualified and shall not be considered for further evaluation.

**Proposals must be mailed to:**

**State of Delaware  
Government Support Services  
100 Enterprise Place, Suite 4  
Dover, DE 19904-8202**

**PUBLIC PROPOSAL OPENINGS**

The public proposal opening insures the citizens of Delaware that contracts are being proposed fairly on a competitive basis and comply with Delaware procurement laws. The agency conducting the opening is required by law to publicly open the proposals at the time and place specified and the contract shall be awarded within ninety (90) days thereafter. The main purpose of the proposal opening is to reveal the name(s) of the Vendor(s), not to serve as a forum for determining the apparent low Vendors. The disclosure of additional information, including prices, shall be at the discretion of the contracting agency until such time that the responsiveness of each proposal has been determined.

After receipt of a fully executed contract(s), the Delaware public and all Vendors are invited to make an appointment with the agency in order to review pricing and other non-confidential information.

**NOTE: ONLY THE VENDOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS WILL BE READ AT THE OPENING**

**NO PROPOSAL REPLY FORM**

Contract No.: **GSS16259-FIRE\_SUPPR**

Contract Title: **FIRE SUPPRESSION SERVICES**

To assist us in obtaining good competition on our Request for Proposals, we ask that each firm that has received a proposal, but does not wish to bid, state their reason(s) below and return in a clearly marked envelope displaying the contract number. This information will not preclude receipt of future invitations unless you request removal from the Vendor's List by so indicating below, or do not return this form or bona fide proposal.

Unfortunately, we must offer a "No Proposal" at this time because:

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. We do not wish to participate in the proposal process.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. We do not wish to bid under the terms and conditions of the Request for Proposal document. Our objections are:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. We do not feel we can be competitive.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. We cannot submit a Proposal because of the marketing or franchising policies of the manufacturing company.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. We do not wish to sell to the State. Our objections are:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. We do not sell the items/services on which Proposals are requested.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
FIRM NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_ We wish to remain on the Vendor's List **for these goods or services.**

\_\_\_\_\_ We wish to be deleted from the Vendor's List **for these goods or services.**

**PLEASE FORWARD NO PROPOSAL REPLY FORM TO THE CONTRACT OFFICER IDENTIFIED.**

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**Attachment 2**

**CONTRACT NO.: GSS16259-FIRE\_SUPPR      DEADLINE TO RESPOND: Tue. April 19, 2016 1:00 p.m.**  
**CONTRACT NAME: FIRE SUPPRESSION SERVICES, INSPECTION AND TESTING**

**NON-COLLUSION STATEMENT**

This is to certify that the undersigned Vendor has neither directly nor indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with this proposal, **and further certifies that it is not a sub-contractor to another Vendor who also submitted a proposal as a primary Vendor in response to this solicitation** submitted this date to the State of Delaware, Office of Management and Budget, Government Support Services.

It is agreed by the undersigned Vendor that the signed delivery of this bid represents, subject to any express exceptions set forth at Attachment 3, the Vendor's acceptance of the terms and conditions of this solicitation including all specifications and special provisions.

**NOTE:** Signature of the authorized representative **MUST** be of an individual who legally may enter his/her organization into a formal contract with the State of Delaware, Office of Management and Budget, Government Support Services.

	Corporation
	Partnership
	Individual

COMPANY NAME \_\_\_\_\_ (Check one)

NAME OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

COMPANY ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ FAX NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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LICENSE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

FEDERAL E.I. NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

COMPANY CLASSIFICATIONS:  CERT. NO.:	Certification type(s)	Circle all that apply	
	Minority Business Enterprise (MBE)	Yes	No
Woman Business Enterprise (WBE)	Yes	No	
Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)	Yes	No	
Veteran Owned Business Enterprise (VOBE)	Yes	No	
Service Disabled Veteran Owned Business Enterprise (SDVOBE)	Yes	No	

[The above table is for informational and statistical use only.]

PURCHASE ORDERS SHOULD BE SENT TO:  
(COMPANY NAME) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ FAX NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

**AFFIRMATION:** Within the past five (5) years, has your firm, any affiliate, any predecessor company or entity, owner, Director, officer, partner or proprietor been the subject of a Federal, State, Local government suspension or debarment?  
YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ if yes, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS PAGE SHALL BE SIGNED, NOTARIZED AND RETURNED FOR YOUR BID TO BE CONSIDERED**

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_

Notary Public \_\_\_\_\_ My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_

City of \_\_\_\_\_ County of \_\_\_\_\_ State of \_\_\_\_\_



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**Attachment 4**

Contract No.: GSS16259-FIRE\_SUPPR  
Contract Title: FIRE SUPPRESSION SERVICES, INSPECTION AND TESTING

**COMPANY PROFILE & CAPABILITIES FORM**

Suppliers are required to provide a reply to each question listed below. Your replies will aid the evaluation committee as part of the overall qualitative evaluation criteria of this Request for Proposal. Your responses should contain sufficient information about your company so evaluators have a clear understanding of your company's background and capabilities. Failure to respond to any of these questions may result in your proposal to be rejected as non-responsive. You may use extra sheets as necessary to respond in full.

1.	Please list which sections of this Request for Proposals you are responding to. I & II. Fire Alarm Systems and Fire Sprinkler Systems; (together) III. Ansul Fire Suppression & Cleaning of Hoods and Vents; IV. Fire Extinguisher Services; or V. All

2.	Explain your company's qualifications and experience with similar contracts of this size and scope. Include government as well as private sector contracts, background and experience, your years in business, reputation, resources, business license, insurance and references.

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3.	Provide a list and explain your company's ability to service multiple manufacturers equipment, i.e.: Firelite, Edwards, Silent Knight, Notifier, Simplex, etc. Also explain your ability to meet specified timeframes for inspections and your understanding of problems that may occur and how you would correct them.

4.	Provide a list of your inspectors and technicians with their qualifications and experience in relation to the systems that are required to be inspected and tested.

5.	Describe the approach to be used for this contract including a work plan, timeline to meet requirements, and how scheduling and billing will occur.



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Attachment 6

Contract No.: GSS16259-FIRE\_SUPPR  
Contract Title: FIRE SUPPRESSION SERVICES, INSPECTION AND TESTING

**BUSINESS REFERENCES FORM**

List a minimum of three business references, including the following information:

- Business Name and Mailing address
- Contact Name and phone number
- Number of years doing business with
- Type of work performed

**Please do not list any State Employee as a business reference.** If you have held a State contract within the last 5 years, please provide a separate list indicating the contract(s) held.

1.	<b>Contact Name &amp; Title:</b>	
	<b>Business Name:</b>	
	<b>Address:</b>	
	<b>Email:</b>	
	<b>Phone # / Fax #:</b>	
	<b>Current Vendor (YES or NO):</b>	
	<b>Years Associated &amp; Type of Work Performed:</b>	

2.	<b>Contact Name &amp; Title:</b>	
	<b>Business Name:</b>	
	<b>Address:</b>	
	<b>Email:</b>	
	<b>Phone # / Fax #:</b>	
	<b>Current Vendor (YES or NO):</b>	
	<b>Years Associated &amp; Type of Work Performed:</b>	

3.	<b>Contact Name &amp; Title:</b>	
	<b>Business Name:</b>	
	<b>Address:</b>	
	<b>Email:</b>	
	<b>Phone # / Fax #:</b>	
	<b>Current Vendor (YES or NO):</b>	
	<b>Years Associated &amp; Type of Work Performed:</b>	

**STATE OF DELAWARE PERSONNEL MAY NOT BE USED AS REFERENCES.**

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**Attachment 7**

**SUBCONTRACTOR INFORMATION FORM**

<b>PART I – STATEMENT BY PROPOSING VENDOR</b>		
1. CONTRACT NO. GSS16259-FIRE_SUPPR	2. Proposing Vendor Name:	3. Mailing Address
<b>4. SUBCONTRACTOR</b>		
a. NAME	4c. Company OSD Classification:  Certification Number: _____	
b. Mailing Address:	4d. Women Business Enterprise <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No 4e. Minority Business Enterprise <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No 4f. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No 4g. Veteran Owned Business Enterprise <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No 4h. Service Disabled Veteran Owned Business Enterprise <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
5. DESCRIPTION OF WORK BY SUBCONTRACTOR		
6a. NAME OF PERSON SIGNING	7. BY ( <i>Signature</i> )	8. DATE SIGNED
6b. TITLE OF PERSON SIGNING		
<b>PART II – ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY SUBCONTRACTOR</b>		
9a. NAME OF PERSON SIGNING	10. BY ( <i>Signature</i> )	11. DATE SIGNED
9b. TITLE OF PERSON SIGNING		

**Use a separate form for each subcontractor**



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Attachment 9

SAMPLE REPORT – FOR ILLUSTRATION PURPOSES ONLY

State of Delaware																			
Subcontracting (2nd tier) Quarterly Report																			
Prime Name:							Report Start Date:												
Contract Name/Number							Report End Date:												
Contact Name:							Today's Date:												
Contact Phone:							*Minimum Required			Requested detail									
Vend or Name *	Vend or TaxID *	Contra ct Name/ Numbe r*	Vendo r Conta ct Name *	Vendo r Conta ct Phone *	Repo rt Start Date*	Repo rt End Date*	Amount Paid to Subcontract or*	Work Performed by Subcontrac tor UNSPSC	M/WBE Certifyi ng Agency	Veteran/Serv ice Disabled Veteran Certifying Agency	2nd tier Suppli er Name	2nd tier Suppli er Addre ss	2nd tier Suppli er Phone Number	2nd tier Suppli er email	Descripti on of Work Performe d	2nd tier Suppli er Tax Id	Dat e Pai d		

**Note:** A copy of the current 2<sup>nd</sup> Tier Usage Report will be sent by electronic mail to the Awarded Vendor

Completed reports shall be saved in an Excel format, and submitted to the following email address: [vendorusage@state.de.us](mailto:vendorusage@state.de.us)

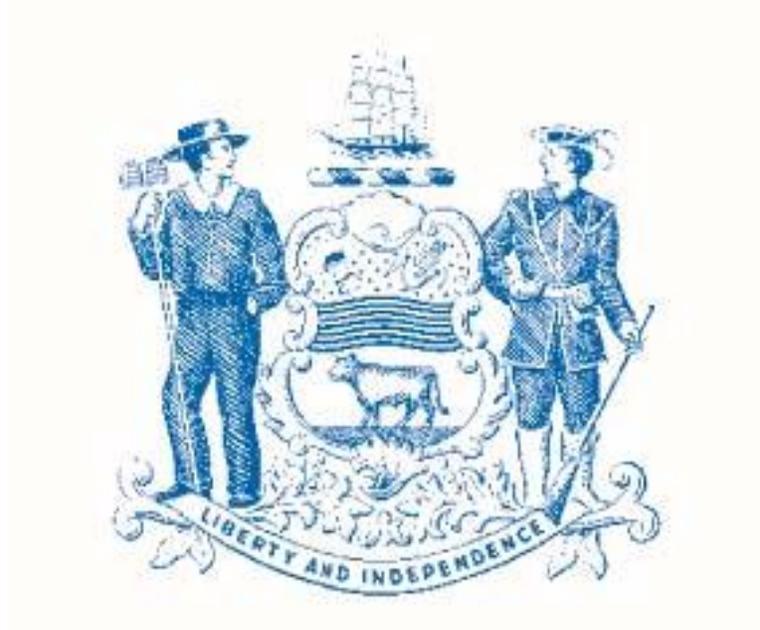
**State of Delaware**  
**Office of Supplier Diversity**  
**Certification Application**

The most recent application can be downloaded from the following site:

<http://gss.omb.delaware.gov/osd/certify.shtml>

Submission of a completed Office of Supplier Diversity (OSD) application is optional and does not influence the outcome of any award decision.

The minimum criteria for certification require the entity must be at least 51% owned and actively managed by a person or persons who are eligible: minorities, women, veterans, and/or service disabled veterans. Any one or all of these categories may apply to a 51% owner.



**Complete application and mail, email or fax to:**

Office of Supplier Diversity (OSD)  
100 Enterprise Place, Suite 4  
Dover, DE 19904-8202  
Telephone: (302) 857-4554 Fax: (302) 677-7086  
Email: [osd@state.de.us](mailto:osd@state.de.us)  
Web site: <http://gss.omb.delaware.gov/osd/index.shtml>

**THE OSD ADDRESS IS FOR OSD APPLICATIONS ONLY.  
THE OSD WILL NOT ACCEPT ANY VENDOR BID RESPONSE PACKAGES.**

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Attachment 11

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**PERFORMANCE BOND**

Bond Number: \_\_\_\_\_

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that we, \_\_\_\_\_, as principal (“**Principal**”), and \_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_ corporation, legally authorized to do business in the State of Delaware, as surety (“**Surety**”), are held and firmly bound unto the \_\_\_\_\_ (“**Owner**”) (*insert State agency name*), in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ (\$\_\_\_\_\_), to be paid to **Owner**, for which payment well and truly to be made, we do bind ourselves, our and each and every of our heirs, executors, administrations, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, for and in the whole, firmly by these presents.

Sealed with our seals and dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

NOW THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH, that if **Principal**, who has been awarded by **Owner** that certain contract known as Contract No. \_\_\_\_\_ dated the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ (the “Contract”), which Contract is incorporated herein by reference, shall well and truly provide and furnish all materials, appliances and tools and perform all the work required under and pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Contract and the Contract Documents (as defined in the Contract) or any changes or modifications thereto made as therein provided, shall make good and reimburse **Owner** sufficient funds to pay the costs of completing the Contract that **Owner** may sustain by reason of any failure or default on the part of **Principal**, and shall also indemnify and save harmless **Owner** from all costs, damages and expenses arising out of or by reason of the performance of the Contract and for as long as provided by the Contract; then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and effect.

**Surety**, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees, if requested to do so by **Owner**, to fully perform and complete the work to be performed under the Contract pursuant to the terms, conditions and covenants thereof, if for any cause **Principal** fails or neglects to so fully perform and complete such work.

**Surety**, for value received, for itself and its successors and assigns, hereby stipulates and agrees that the obligation of **Surety** and its bond shall be in no way impaired or affected by any extension of time, modification, omission, addition or change in or to the Contract or the work to be performed thereunder, or by any payment thereunder before the time required therein, or by any waiver of any provisions thereof, or by any assignment, subletting or other transfer thereof or of any work to be performed or any monies due or to become due thereunder; and **Surety** hereby waives notice of any and all such extensions, modifications, omissions, additions, changes, payments, waivers, assignments, subcontracts and transfers and hereby expressly stipulates and agrees that any and all things done and omitted to be done by and in relation to assignees, subcontractors, and other transferees shall have the same effect as to **Surety** as though done or omitted to be done by or in relation to **Principal**.

**Surety** hereby stipulates and agrees that no modifications, omissions or additions in or to the terms of the Contract shall in any way whatsoever affect the obligation of **Surety** and its bond.

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Any proceeding, legal or equitable, under this Bond may be brought in any court of competent jurisdiction in the State of Delaware. Notices to **Surety** or Contractor may be mailed or delivered to them at their respective addresses shown below.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, **Principal** and **Surety** have hereunto set their hand and seals, and such of them as are corporations have caused their corporate seal to be hereto affixed and these presents to be signed by their duly authorized officers, the day and year first above written.

**PRINCIPAL**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness or Attest: Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
  
(Corporate Seal)

By: \_\_\_\_\_(SEAL)  
Name:  
Title:

**SURETY**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness or Attest: Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
  
(Corporate Seal)

By: \_\_\_\_\_(SEAL)  
Name:  
Title:

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**Attachment 12**

**PROPOSAL REPLY REQUIREMENTS**

The response should contain the following minimum information:

1. A brief Cover Letter including an Applicant's experience, if any, providing similar services.
2. Vendor shall provide a detailed description of services to be provided, and shall respond to the Scope of Work identified. Failure to adequately describe the extent of their abilities may affect how the state evaluates and scores the vendor proposal.  
Include which sections i.e.. I. & II; III, IV or all, you are bidding.

**Vendors are encouraged to review the Evaluation criteria to see how the proposals will be scored and verify that the response has sufficient documentation to support each scoring criteria identified.**

3. One (1) complete, signed and notarized copy of the Non-Collusion Agreement (Attachment 2).  
**MUST HAVE ORIGINAL SIGNATURES AND NOTARY MARK** – Form must be included.
4. One (1) completed RFP Exception Form (Attachment 3) – please check box if no information – Form must be included.
5. One (1) completed Profile and Capabilities Form (Attachment 4)
6. One (1) completed Confidentiality Form (Attachment 5) – please check if no information is deemed confidential – Form must be included.
7. One (1) completed Business Reference Form (Attachment 6) – please provide references other than State of Delaware contacts – Form must be included.
8. One (1) complete and signed copy of the Subcontractor Information Form (Attachment 7) for each subcontractor – only provide if applicable.
9. One (1) complete OSD Application (see link on Attachment 10) – optional, only provide if applicable.
10. One (1) list of manufacturers' equipment that your company is capable of servicing, i.e. Firelite, Simplex, Notifier, etc.
11. One (1) list of inspectors and technicians with their qualifications and experience.

The items listed above provide the basis for evaluating each vendor's proposal. **Failure to provide all appropriate information may deem the submitting vendor as "non-responsive" and exclude the vendor from further consideration.** If an item listed above is not applicable to your company or proposal, please make note in your submission package.

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**PROPOSAL REPLY REQUIREMENTS (CONT'D)**

Vendors shall compile all documentation noted above, and all other documents as required in the Scope of Work, Appendix A, and shall provide in the following format(s):

1. One (1) paper copy of the vendor proposal paperwork.
2. One (1) electronic copy of the vendor proposal saved to CD or DVD media disk, or USB memory stick. Any copies of electronic price files shall be included on the same electronic media, but shall be saved as a separate excel file. **Do not submit pricing in PDF format.**

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**APPENDIX A  
SCOPE OF WORK**

1. Vendors and technicians must be in compliance with current National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards and State Fire Marshal Codes.
2. Vendors shall be able to service multiple manufacturers' equipment, i.e., Firelite, Simplex, Notifier, etc.
3. Vendors may offer additional Services and must indicate those services along with pricing in their proposal.

**I. Fire Alarm Systems**

Awarded vendors will be required to perform the following services:

- a. Inspect installed equipment, including complete testing of all smoke detectors and pull stations;
- b. Inspect fuses, lamps, LED's, control equipment;
- c. Provide State with test report following each quarterly service;

\*\*Some facilities may not accommodate one inspection per year for all fire alarm systems. This will require the vendor to service a portion of the alarm system each quarter until all systems have been inspected throughout the course the year.

**II. Fire Sprinkler Systems**

Awarded vendors will be required to perform the following services:

- a. Inspect installed equipment, including alarm devices, hose connections, hose racks, and fire department connections; and
- b. Ensure all facilities are in compliance with all existing rules and regulations.

**III. Ansul Fire Suppression Systems**

Awarded vendors will be required to perform the following services:

- a. Ensure that systems are constantly operational for the protection of the kitchen and the safety of all culinary workers; and
- b. Ensure that the facilities are in compliance with all existing rules and regulations.

**IV. Fire Extinguisher Service**

Service will include, but is not limited to:

- a. Hydrostatic testing of carbon dioxide, wet chemical, and foam fire extinguishers on an as-needed basis;
- b. Vendors will provide users with a receipt for all services performed; and

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- c. Fire inspection tags will be attached to all inspected fire extinguishers.

During servicing of existing fire extinguishers, vendors may not remove extinguishers from any occupied building for a longer period of time than it takes to recharge or repair the extinguishers.

Vendors must adhere to the following process for the safety of the staff and/or public when extinguishers are being replaced:

Replace existing extinguisher with an extinguisher that is of the same size and type temporarily while servicing the extinguisher; and

Return the serviced extinguisher to its original location and remove the temporary replacement. It is acceptable to replace the next extinguisher to be serviced at the next location with the newly serviced extinguisher, provided it is of the same size and type, and it may be mounted properly.

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**SPECIFICATIONS FOR STATE BUILDINGS**  
**TECHNICAL STAFF REQUIRED AND SERVICES TO BE RENDERED**

1. **TECHNICAL STAFF**

A. The contractor shall be responsible for complying with all State and Federal inspection codes and standards relating to smoke detectors, fire alarms, sprinklers, range hoods and portable fire extinguishers. The following is a list of special codes:

1. Sprinkler Systems - NFPA#13, NFPA#25 and State Fire Commission regulations and other local authorities having jurisdiction.
2. Grease Exhaust Systems (Kitchen) - NFPA#96, NFPA#10 NFPA#12, NFPA#17, NFPA#17A and State Fire Commission regulations and other local authorities having jurisdiction.
3. Fire Alarm per Delaware Fire Prevention Regulation, Part 3, Section 1-4, 5.1, and NFPA#72 and State Fire Commission regulations and any other local authorities having jurisdiction.
4. Portable Fire Extinguishers – NFPA #10 and State Fire Commission regulations and other local authorities having jurisdiction.

B. Each bidder (or designated subcontractor) must be licensed with the Delaware State Fire Marshall's Office in accordance with the most recently adopted Delaware State Fire Prevention Regulation.

C. Contractor is responsible for obtaining any work permit or license for work performed in any City having jurisdiction.

D. Contractor is responsible for meeting all codes and regulations for work performed in the City having jurisdiction.

E. All detectors that are not currently numbered must be numbered according to the Office of State Fire Marshall's regulations.

F. The contractor shall submit a testing schedule for all buildings thirty (30) days after award of the contract. The first testing shall be completed prior to Aug. 31, 2016, and the second testing completed prior to December 31, 2016. The vendor shall not deviate from the testing schedule without prior approval from the state.

2. **SERVICES TO BE RENDERED**

A. Systems to be serviced

1. Smoke detector/fire alarm - inspect & test all components
2. Sprinkler system – inspect & test all components
3. Ansul Fire Suppression /Clean and & inspect Hoods & Vents

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4. Portable Fire Extinguishers - inspect & recharge

**SPECIFICATIONS FOR STATE BUILDINGS (continued)**

**B. SCHEDULED INSPECTION AND TESTING**

1. The contractor will perform inspections, testing and calibration of all equipment to include peripheral equipment as required by the regulations stated herein.
2. It is the responsibility of the contractor to have someone remain at the Fire Alarm Panel during testing. Contractor will be provided a key and an escort if necessary.
3. Equipment found to be operating improperly will be documented and brought to the attention of the Maintenance Superintendent of the facility and corrected, **if approved**.
4. Inspection and testing shall be scheduled with a minimum of ten (10) days' notice to assure a coordinated effort with the facility. Contractors who show up more than fifteen (15) minutes late will run the risk of being turned away and needing to reschedule. The agency shall not be billed for scheduled service where the contractor arrives late and is denied access to the facility.
5. All quarterly inspections must be completed within a five (5) day period per facility.
6. Inspection and testing of NCC Courthouse, Carvel Building, and 900 King St. in Wilmington shall be scheduled on **weekends only** and must be arranged with the facility manager.
7. Inspection shall be submitted in such form as the State Fire Marshall shall prescribe.

Inspection and Maintenance Tag: An inspection and maintenance tag shall be affixed to the face of the system's main control after each completed inspection or test. The inspection and maintenance tag shall indicate the following:

- a. Location or identification of system;
  - b. Name, address, telephone number and license number of the fire alarm signaling/suppression systems company;
  - c. Date of inspection or maintenance visit;
  - d. Name and certificate number of employee responsible for the inspection or maintenance visit;
8. The first year of the contract will consist of sensitivity testing and the second year will consist of function testing.
  9. The contractor shall send or dispatch **ONLY** qualified/certified technicians to perform the inspections, repairs, or installations. The facilities shall not be billed for service calls where it is found that the repairs were not made due to incompetent technicians.

**C. REPAIRS**

The scope of work for this contract does not include repairs. **If** the facility requests the Contractor to make minor repairs, paragraph "E" and "F", shall apply.

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The state of Delaware reserves the right to solicit competitive prices for any and all repair services or additional equipment. Additionally, repairs are not guaranteed to the Contractor. The decision on repairs will be determined by each Facility and must be approved before Contractor begins work.

**D. UNSCHEDULED SERVICE**

The cost of unscheduled service at other than normal working hours (8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.) shall be the responsibility of the facility; however the contractor shall supply a rate structure for the cost as part of this proposal. The contractor shall provide a 24-hour answering service and assure a response time not to exceed 8 hours.

**E. PARTS**

The contractor shall maintain an adequate inventory of necessary and customary parts in their service vehicles to make repairs on the initial visit in order to keep return visits to a minimum. Replacement parts in excess of \$5.00 are not included as part of the agreement. Under **No** Circumstance shall billable parts be replaced without proper authorization.

**F. TRAVEL TIME**

Travel time and expenses are to be included in pricing as an integral part of the service and not billed separately.

**G. FACILITY CONTACTS**

The contractor shall leave one copy of the inspection report with the following individuals. The contractor shall also invoice as work is completed, and send the invoices to facility managers. The state will not pay invoices without the work order/inspection report as back-up documentation that work has been performed.

<b>FACILITY</b>	<b>CONTACT</b>
OMB New Castle County Buildings	Art Cohen 302-577-8195
OMB Kent County Buildings	Doug Minner 302-739-5644
OMB Sussex County Buildings	Don Gerardi 302-856-5817
DeIDOT M&O Sussex County	Danna Sammons 302-853-1312
DeIDOT M&O and Sign Shop (Dover)	Matthew Lichtenstein 302-760-2140
DeIDOT Tolls – New Castle County	Cindy McCall 302-838-4910
DeIDOT Tolls – Kent County	Michael Haddadin 302-857-5705
DeIDOT North District	Heidi Oxley 302-894-6305
DeIDOT Canal District	
DOS Historical & Cultural Affairs Bldgs.	Edward Gillespie 302-739-3315
DOS Veteran’s Cemetery - Bear	Barbara Cooke 302-834-8046
DOS Veteran’s Home	Sandy Groff 302-424-6040
DOS Veteran’s Cemetery – Sussex	Gregory Bee 302-934-5653
Div. of Communications (tower sites)	Tom Kadunce 302-697-4486
DE Army National Guard	Charles Donahue 302-326-7139
DNREC Parks	Eric Dawson 302-739-9222
DSCYF Buildings	Robert Harrity 302-255-9325

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Appendix C contains location and device listings for this contract. This list is compiled from information provided at the time of the solicitation and is for reference. A site visit/walk through may be appropriate and may be scheduled with the appropriate facility manager by phone or when attending the Mandatory pre-bid meeting.

H. **CONTRACTOR QUALIFICATIONS**

The contractor shall possess a Class 1 license. Offerors shall provide a copy of license with their proposal.

The State of Delaware may make such investigation as it deems necessary to determine the ability Of the Contractor to furnish the required services, and the contractor shall furnish to the State such data as the State may request for this purpose. The State reserves the right to reject any offer if evidence submitted by or investigation of such contractor fails to satisfy the State that the contractor is properly qualified to deliver the services requested.

**SECURITY REQUIREMENTS**

I. **EMPLOYEE IDENTIFICATION**

Contractor personnel shall present a neat appearance and be easily recognized. This may be accomplished by wearing uniforms or clothing bearing the name of the company. Each employee shall wear a photo identification badge call-in issued prior to starting work under this contract. The contractor is responsible for providing these items.

J. **SECURITY PROCEDURE**

The vendor is responsible to assure only qualified personnel are utilized, and that the background of personnel employed, warrants employment in any State facility. This will include the completion of mandatory background checks, State of Delaware's State Bureau of Identification, including criminal background checks on all applicants prior to filling any State of Delaware position. When required, Vendor shall conduct child abuse and adult abuse registry checks and obtain service letters in accordance with 19 Del. Code, Section 708; and 11 Del. Code, Sections 8563 and 8564. Vendor shall not employ individuals with adverse registry findings in the performance of this contract. Upon request of the State agency, the vendor must furnish related test scores/resumes and proof of background check of temporary personnel who are scheduled for interviews upon request of the State. All costs associated with skills and background verification are to be paid by the vendor.

Employees requiring fingerprinting are to report to the location below or any Delaware State Police Troop, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. for fingerprinting.

Delaware State Police  
State Bureau of Identification  
Blue Hen Corporate Center US Rt 13 N. DuPont Hwy  
Phone: (302) 672-5319

Fingerprinting cards and data will be forwarded by the respective Delaware State Police Troops to the address above. State Police Headquarters will forward the criminal history report to the applicant. The applicant is responsible for forwarding their report to the contractor, who in turn shall forward the report to:

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Capitol Police  
150 E. Water Street P.O. Box 1401  
Dover, Delaware 19903  
Attn: Chief John Horsman  
Phone: (302) 744-4380

Capitol Police will evaluate the criminal history report for eligibility for employment under this contract, then notify the Division of Facilities Management of acceptable and unacceptable persons. The Director, or designee of the Division of Facilities Management will notify the contractor, in writing, of those persons acceptable and unacceptable for use on this contract. The processing time for security clearance information and proper written notification from the Director's office to the contractor is approximately fifteen (15) working days. The successful contractor should operate with a sufficient listing of cleared personnel, so that there will not be any shortages.

**New hires must obtain a security clearance before starting work. Personnel not properly cleared will not be allowed in the building. The names of all new hires must be reported to the Office of Facilities Management. Employees must have photo identification.**

**A complete list of all employees must be provided to Facilities Management on a monthly basis. List should be faxed to 739-6148 or 739-3037 for Kent County, 856-5984 for Sussex County, and 577-2773 for New Castle County.**

K. **INVOICING**

After the awards are made, the agencies participating in the bid may forward their purchase orders ("P.O.") to the successful Vendor(s) in accordance with State Purchasing Procedures. The State will generate a payment voucher upon receipt of an acceptable invoice from the vendor. An acceptable invoices shall contain the following information; the agency name and purchase order number, date of services, location of service, building number if available, itemized description of work performed. Invoices will not be paid without being accompanied by a legible copy of the service report signed by the appropriate facility manager.

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**SECTION 2 - SPECIFICATIONS FOR HOSPITALS**

**A. TECHNICAL STAFF REQUIRED AND SERVICES TO BE RENDERED**

**1. TECHNICAL STAFF**

A. The contractor shall be responsible for complying with all State and Federal inspection codes and standards relating to smoke detectors, fire alarms, sprinklers, range hoods and portable fire extinguishers. The following is a list of special codes:

1. Sprinkler Systems - NFPA#13, NFPA#25 and State Fire Commission regulations and other local authorities having jurisdiction.
2. Grease Exhaust Systems (Kitchen) - NFPA#96, NFPA#10, NFPA#12, NFPA#17, NFPA#17A and State Fire Commission regulations and other local authorities having jurisdiction.
3. Fire Alarm per Delaware Fire Prevention Regulation, Part 3, Section 1-4, 5.1, and NFPA#72 and State Fire Commission regulations and any other local authorities having jurisdiction.
4. Portable Fire Extinguishers – NFPA #10 and State Fire Commission regulations and other local authorities having jurisdiction.

B. Each bidder (or designated subcontractor) must be licensed with the Delaware State Fire Marshall's Office in accordance with the most recently adopted Delaware State Fire Prevention Regulation.

C. Contractor is responsible for obtaining any work permit or license for work performed in any City having jurisdiction.

D. Contractor is responsible for meeting all codes and regulations for work performed in the City having jurisdiction.

E. All detectors that are not currently numbered must be numbered according to the Office of State Fire Marshall's regulations.

F. The contractor shall submit a testing schedule for all buildings thirty (30) days after award of the contract. The first testing shall be completed prior to Aug. 31, 2016, and the second testing completed prior to December 31, 2016. The vendor shall not deviate from the testing schedule without prior approval from the state.

**2. SERVICES TO BE RENDERED**

A. Systems to be serviced

1. Smoke detector/fire alarm - inspect & test all components
2. Sprinkler system - inspect & test all components

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3. Ansul Fire Suppression /Clean and & inspect Hoods & Vents
4. Portable Fire Extinguishers - inspect & recharge

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**B. SCHEDULED INSPECTION AND TESTING**

1. The contractor will perform inspections, testing and calibration of all equipment to include peripheral equipment as required by the regulations stated herein.
2. It is the responsibility of the contractor to have someone sit at the Fire Alarm Panel during testing. You will be provided a key and an escort if necessary.
3. Equipment found to be operating improperly will be documented and brought to the attention of the Maintenance Superintendent of the facility and corrected, **if approved**.
4. Inspection and testing shall be scheduled with a minimum of three (3) days notice to assure a coordinated effort with the facility. Contractors who show up more than fifteen (15) minutes late will run the risk of being turned away and needing to reschedule. The agency shall not be billed for scheduled service where the contractor arrives late and is denied access to the facility.
5. All quarterly inspections must be completed in a five (5) day period per facility.
6. Inspection shall be submitted in such form, as the State Fire Marshall shall prescribe.

Inspection and Maintenance Tag: An inspection and maintenance tag shall be affixed to the face of the system's main control after each completed inspection or test. The inspection and maintenance tag shall indicate the following:

- a. Location or identification of system;
  - b. Name, address, telephone number and license number of the fire alarm signaling/suppression systems company;
  - c. Date of inspection or maintenance visit;
  - d. Name and certificate number of employee responsible for the inspection or maintenance visit;
7. The first year of the contract will consist of sensitivity testing and the second year will consist of function testing.
  8. The contractor shall send or dispatch **ONLY** qualified/certified technicians to perform the inspections, repairs, or installations. The hospitals shall not be billed for service calls where it is found that the repairs were not made due to incompetent technicians.

**C REPAIRS**

The scope of work for this contract does not include repairs. **If** the facility requests the Contractor to make minor repairs, paragraph "E" and "F", shall apply.

The state of Delaware reserves the right to solicit competitive prices for any and all repair services or additional equipment. Additionally, repairs are not guaranteed to the Contractor. The decision on repairs will be determined by each Facility and must be approved before the contractor begins work.

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D. **UNSCHEDULED SERVICE**

The cost of unscheduled service at other than normal working hours shall be the responsibility of the facility; however the contractor shall supply a rate structure for the cost as part of this bid.

The contractor shall provide a 24-hour answering service and assure a response time not to exceed 8 hours.

E. **PARTS**

The contractor shall maintain an adequate inventory of necessary and customary parts in their service vehicles to make repairs on the initial visit in order to keep return visits to a minimum.

Replacement parts in excess of \$5.00 are not included as part of the agreement. Under **No** Circumstance shall billable parts be replaced without proper authorization.

The contractor shall inform the hospitals when repairs will be lengthy, due to unavailability of parts. If possible, get a letter from the manufacturer. See #G for contact information.

F. **TRAVEL TIME**

Travel time and expenses are to be included as an integral part of the service and not billed separately.

G. **CONTACTS**

The contractor shall leave one copy of the inspection report with the following individuals. The contractor shall also invoice as work is completed, and send the invoices to facility managers. The state will not pay invoices without the work order/inspection report as back-up documentation that work has been performed.

<b>FACILITY</b>	<b>CONTACT</b>
Gov Bacon Health Center	William Yowell 302-836-2550
DE Hosp for Chronically Ill	Rodney Holderbaum 302-653-8556
Herman Holloway Campus/DPC	Elliott Tatum 302-255-9325
NCC State Service Ctrs	Tim Read 302-255-4488
Sussex State Service Centers and Stockley Center	John Fox 302-933-3363 Bob Doughty 302-933-3329

Appendix C contains location and device listings for this contract. This list is compiled from information provided at the time of the solicitation and is for reference. To obtain information that is not included in this document or the Appendix C please contact the appropriate facility manager.

H. **CONTRACTOR QUALIFICATIONS**

1. The contractor shall possess a Class 1 license. Offers shall submit a copy of license with their proposal.
2. The State of Delaware may make such investigation as it deems necessary to determine the ability of the Contractor to furnish the required services, and the contractor shall furnish to the State such data as the State may request for this purpose. The State reserves the right to reject any offer if evidence submitted by

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or investigation of such contractor fails to satisfy the State that the contractor is properly qualified to deliver the services requested.

**I. SECURITY REQUIREMENTS**

The successful contractor shall follow the same Security Requirements as those provided in Section 1 – Specifications for State Buildings, Items I. and J.

**J. TESTING SCHEDULE**

The successful contractor shall submit a testing schedule for all facilities within thirty (30) days after award of Contract.

**K. HOOD CLEANING SCHEDULE**

The hood-cleaning schedule for DHSS is as follows:

Location	# hoods	Schedule
DE Hospital for the Chronically Ill 100 Sunnyside Rd. Smyrna, DE	1	After 7:00 p.m. – Cleaning shall be semi-annual (twice per year)
Governor Bacon Health Center Delaware City, DE	1	After 6:00 p.m. - Cleaning shall be semi-annual (twice per year)
DE Psychiatric Ctr and Hideaway Café Herman Holloway Campus 1901 N. Dupont Highway New Castle, DE	7 & 2	After 7:00 p.m. – Cleaning shall be semi-annual (twice per year)
Thurman Adams SSC Georgetown	2	2:30 p.m. any day but Thurs.
Pyle Center Georgetown	1	After Thurman Adams is done
Stockley Ctr. and MAC Ctr.	1	After 5:30 p.m.

**L. QUOTES**

If repairs to the fire alarm or sprinkler systems are required, the contractor shall provide quotes within three days and send a copy to:

Office of the State Fire Marshall  
1537 Chestnut Grove Road  
Dover, DE 19904-9610  
Fax: (302) 739-3696

**M. INVOICING**

After the awards are made, the agencies participating in the bid may forward their purchase orders (“P.O.”) to the successful Vendor(s) in accordance with State Purchasing Procedures. The State will generate a payment voucher upon receipt of an acceptable invoice from the vendor. An acceptable invoices shall contain the following information; the agency name and purchase order number, date of services, location of service, itemized description of work performed. Invoices will not be paid without being accompanied by a legible copy of the service report signed by the appropriate facility manager.

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**SECTION 3 - SPECIFICATIONS FOR DOC FACILITIES**  
**TECHNICAL STAFF REQUIRED AND SERVICES TO BE RENDERED**

1. **TECHNICAL STAFF**

A. The contractor shall be responsible for complying with all State and Federal inspection codes and standards relating to smoke detectors, fire alarms, sprinklers, range hoods and portable fire extinguishers. The following is a list of special codes:

1. Sprinkler Systems - NFPA#13, NFPA#25 and State Fire Commission regulations and other local authorities having jurisdiction.
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3. Fire Alarm per Delaware Fire Prevention Regulation, Part 3, Section 1-4, 5.1, and NFPA#72 and State Fire Commission regulations and any other local authorities having jurisdiction.
4. Portable Fire Extinguishers – NFPA #10 and State Fire Commission regulations and other local authorities having jurisdiction.

B. Each bidder (or designated subcontractor) must be licensed with the Delaware State Fire Marshall's Office in accordance with the most recently adopted Delaware State Fire Prevention Regulation.

C. Contractor is responsible for obtaining any work permit or license for work performed in any City having jurisdiction.

D. Contractor is responsible for meeting all codes and regulations for work performed in the City having jurisdiction.

E. All detectors that are not currently numbered must be numbered according to the Office of State Fire Marshall's regulations.

F. The contractor shall submit a testing schedule for all buildings thirty (30) days after award of the contract. The first testing shall be completed prior to Aug. 31, 2016, and the second testing completed prior to December 31, 2016. The vendor shall not deviate from the testing schedule without prior approval from the state.

2. **SERVICES TO BE RENDERED**

A. Systems to be serviced

1. Smoke detector/fire alarm - inspect & test all components
2. Sprinkler system - inspect & test all components
3. Ansul Fire Suppression /Clean and & inspect Hoods & Vents
4. Portable Fire Extinguishers - inspect & recharge

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**B. SCHEDULED INSPECTION AND TESTING**

1. The contractor will perform inspections, testing and calibration of all equipment to include peripheral equipment as required by the regulations stated herein.
2. It is the responsibility of the contractor to have someone remain at the Fire Alarm Panel during testing. Contractor will be provided a key and an escort if necessary.
3. Equipment found to be operating improperly will be documented and brought to the attention of the Maintenance Superintendent of the facility and corrected, **if approved**.
4. Inspection and testing shall be scheduled with a minimum of ten (10) days notice to assure a coordinated effort with the facility. Contractors who show up more than fifteen (15) minutes late will run the risk of being turned away and needing to reschedule. The agency shall not be billed for scheduled service where the contractor arrives late and is denied access to the facility.
5. All quarterly inspections must be completed in a five (5) day period per facility.
6. Inspection shall be submitted in such form as the State Fire Marshall shall prescribe.

Inspection and Maintenance Tag: An inspection and maintenance tag shall be affixed to the face of the system's main control after each completed inspection or test. The inspection and maintenance tag shall indicate the following:

- a. Location or identification of system;
  - b. Name, address, telephone number and license number of the fire alarm signaling/suppression systems company;
  - c. Date of inspection or maintenance visit;
  - d. Name and certificate number of employee responsible for the inspection or maintenance visit;
7. The first year of the contract will consist of sensitivity testing and the second year will consist of function testing.
  8. The contractor shall send or dispatch **ONLY** qualified/certified technicians to perform the inspections, repairs, or installations. The facilities shall not be billed for service calls where it is found that the repairs were not made due to incompetent technicians.

**C. REPAIRS**

The scope of work for this contract does not include repairs. **If** the facility requests the Contractor to make minor repairs, paragraph "E" and "F", shall apply.

The state of Delaware reserves the right to solicit competitive prices for any and all repair services or additional equipment. Additionally, repairs are not guaranteed to the Contractor. The decision on repairs will be determined by each Facility and must be approved before Contractor begins work.

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**D. UNSCHEDULED SERVICE**

The cost of unscheduled service at other than normal working hours (8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.) shall be the responsibility of the facility; however the contractor shall supply a rate structure for the cost as part of this proposal. The contractor shall provide a 24-hour answering service and assure a response time not to exceed 8 hours.

**E. PARTS**

The contractor shall maintain an adequate inventory of necessary and customary parts in their service vehicles to make repairs on the initial visit in order to keep return visits to a minimum. Replacement parts in excess of \$5.00 are not included as part of the agreement. Under **No** Circumstance shall billable parts be replaced without proper authorization.

**F. TRAVEL TIME**

Travel time and expenses are to be included in pricing as an integral part of the service and not billed separately.

**G. CONTACTS**

The contractor shall leave one copy of the inspection report with the following individuals. The contractor shall also invoice as work is completed, and send the invoices to facility managers. The state will not pay invoices without the work order/inspection report as back-up documentation that work has been performed. Appendix C contains location and device listings for this contract. This list is compiled from information provided at the time of the solicitation and is for reference. To obtain information that is not included in this document or the Appendix C please contact the appropriate facility manager to schedule a site visit.

<b>FACILITY</b>	<b>CONTACT</b>
James T. Vaughn Correction Ctr.	Ernie Kulhanek 302-739-4379
Morris Community Correction Ctr.	Ernie Kulhanek 302-739-4379
Central VOP	Ernie Kulhanek 302-739-4379
Sussex Correctional Institution	Ronald Zawora 302-856-5265
Sussex Work Release Center	Ronald Zawora 302-856-5265
Howard R. Young Correctional Ctr.	Doug Rodgers 302-429-7755
Delores J. Baylor Women's Correctional Institute	Steve Brown 302-577-3004 ext 1118 or 1117
Plummer Community Correctional Ctr.	Steve Brown 302-577-3004 ext 1118 or 1117
John L. Webb Correctional Facility	Steve Brown 302-577-3004 ext 1118 or 1117
Capitol Programs Administrator	Eric Smeltzer 302-857-5261
Facility Maintenance Manager	Greg Christian 302-857-5260

**H. INVOICING**

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**I. CONTRACTOR QUALIFICATIONS**

The contractor shall possess a Class 1 license. Offerors shall provide a copy of license with their proposal.

The State of Delaware may make such investigation as it deems necessary to determine the ability of the Contractor to furnish the required services, and the contractor shall furnish to the State such data as the State may request for this purpose. The State reserves the right to reject any offer if evidence submitted by or investigation of such contractor fails to satisfy the State that the contractor is properly qualified to deliver the services requested.

**J. HOOD CLEANING SCHEDULE:**

The hood-cleaning schedule is as follows. The successful vendor shall schedule with the appropriate

LOCATION	# HOODS	SCHEDULE
DE Dept of Correction – Admin Building Food Services 245 McKee Rd Dover, DE 19904 <b>Contact:</b> Wendal Lundy 302-857-7933 or Vicky Kendall 302-857-5343		
James T. Vaughn Correctional Center (JTVCC) Main Kitchen 1181 Paddock Rd. Smyrna, DE <b>Contact:</b> Christopher Senato 302-659-6622	3	After 7:00 p.m. – Cleaning shall be semi-annual (twice per year)
Infirmery (Located at the JTVCC) <b>Contact:</b> Christopher Senato 302-659-6622	1	After 7:00 p.m. - Cleaning shall be annually (once per year)
MHU (Located at the JTVCC) <b>Contact:</b> Christopher Senato 302-659-6622	2	After 7:00 p.m. – Cleaning shall be annually (once per year)
SHU (Located at the JTVCC) <b>Contact:</b> Christopher Senato 302-659-6622	1	After 7:00 p.m. – Cleaning shall be annually (once per year)
Morris Community Correctional Center (MCCC) 300 Water St. Dover, DE <b>Contact:</b> Christopher Senato 302-659-6622	1	After 6:00 p.m. – Cleaning shall be annually (once per year)
Sussex Correctional Institution (SCI) Rt . 113 Georgetown, DE <b>Contact:</b> Deborah Melvin 302-856-5282		After 7:00 p.m. – Cleaning shall be semi-annual (twice per year)
Sussex Work Release Center (SWRC) Rt 6 Georgetown, DE <b>Contact:</b> Deborah Melvin 302-856-5282	2	After 7:00 p.m. – Cleaning shall be annually (once per year)
Howard Robert Young Correctional Institution (HRYCI) 1301 E. 12 <sup>th</sup> St. Wilmington, DE <b>Contact:</b> Paul Downing 302-429-7758	1	After 7:00 p.m. – Cleaning shall be semi-annual (twice per year)
Delores J. Baylor Women’s Correctional Institution (BWCI) 660 Baylor Blvd. New Castle, DE <b>Contact:</b> Emanuel Walker 302-577-3004	1	After 7:00 p.m. – Cleaning shall be semi-annual (twice per year)
Plummer Community Correctional Center (PCCC) 38 Todds Lane Wilmington, DE <b>Contact:</b> Emanuel Walker 302-577-3004	1	After 7:00 p.m. – Cleaning shall be annually (once per year)
John L. Webb Correctional Facility (WCF) 200 Greenbank Rd. Wilmington, DE <b>Contact:</b> Emanuel Walker 302-577-3004	1	After 6:00 p.m. – Cleaning shall be annually (once per year)

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**DOC SECURITY REQUIREMENTS & PROCEDURES**

**1. REQUIREMENTS:**

The correctional facility has issued regulations to be observed by all contractors, their subcontractors (if any) and employees and other firms providing services for or otherwise assigned to or working on the project in order to minimize disruption to prison operations, maintain security and facilitate the construction process. While working inside the prison facilities on a regular or occasional basis, it must be clearly understood that prison security requirements will at all times take precedence over construction operations. The contractor shall comply with all such regulations and consider the regulations when preparing their bid.

**2. WORKING AT A DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION FACILITY:**

- a) In order for the Department of Correction (DOC) to ensure security on the job site, the prime contractor shall submit a list of all proposed workers who will be working on the site to the DOC including name, social security number, age, sex, race and date of birth. This list shall include all sub-contractors (if any) and any vendors requiring access to the secure perimeter of the facility.
- b) Workmen will not be permitted on the campus without approval.
- c) All tools, equipment, supplies, etc., shall be removed from the compound building daily.
- d) A list of tools must be supplied with each truck. Inventory shall be taken by the contractor at the beginning and end of each workday. Correctional Officers reserve the right to inspect and inventory all toolboxes, workmen and trucks. Report all missing tools immediately. Leave all unnecessary tools at the shop.
- e) Trucks should be kept clean of debris. Trash within the vehicle increases the amount of time required to inspect the vehicles.
- f) Proper construction clothing is required. Short pants are not permitted.
- g) Contractors shall include, in their bid, a sufficient amount of time to enter and depart the facility in a given day. As an example of previous projects at a Department of Correction site, it takes between one half hour to one hour to enter or leave the facility.
- h) Contractor is advised that only limited movement will be permitted while inside the compound.
- i) Contractors are requested to notify the Director of Custody of Operations upon the termination of worker's services in order that the identification card on file can be pulled and rendered inactive.
- j) Completion of a Security Clearance Form is required for all employees (sample form shown at end of requirements).
- k.) Contractors are required to have PREA presentation and complete PREA training competition form.

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3. **CONTRABAND/TOOL CONTROL:**

- a) Title 11, Section 1256 of the Delaware Code specifies that “a person is guilty of promoting prison contraband when: (a) The person knowingly and unlawfully introduces any contraband into detention facility; or (b) The person possesses with intent to deliver any contraband to any person confined within a detention facility; or (c) Being a person confined in a detention facility, he knowingly and unlawfully makes, obtains, or possesses any contraband.”
- b) No one may introduce into or possess on the grounds of any institution of any of the following that are considered to be contraband except as noted:
1. Any intoxicating beverage.
  2. Any narcotic, hypnotic, barbiturate, hallucinogenic drug, central nervous stimulant, or drug except as authorized or approved by an institution affiliated physician.
  3. Any firearm or instrument customarily used or designed to be used as a dangerous weapon, or an explosive device, except as authorized or approved by an institution and/or Departmental Administration.
  4. Any instrument that may be used as an aid in attempting an escape.
  5. Hypodermic needle, syringe, or other article, instrument or substance specifically prohibited by the institution administration except as authorized.
  6. Any article of State property for the purpose of removing it from State property without authorization from administrative or supervisory personnel.
- c) In addition to above, no inmate may possess:
1. Tool, instrument or implement which could be used as a dangerous weapon except as are assigned by and used under the supervision of authorized personnel.
  2. Money.
- d) Private Contract Repair and Maintenance Workers: Private contracted or contract maintenance workers by, or under contract to perform services, maintenance repair or construction within the institution must complete an inventory listing of all tools, tool boxes and related equipment prior to admittance into the institution. A staff member as so assigned must escort tradesmen or other non-employee workers while in the institution. At entry control points, vehicles and personnel will be searched to include any tools or relating equipment. No tools will remain on the work sites upon departure. Activities must be performed as authorized with proper security and safety precautions.
- e) Classification of Tools: It is difficult to classify every specific tool. However, the classification tools can be determined according to the following categories.
1. Restricted tools are items that can be used by inmates either in effecting an escape or causing death or serious injury. The following tools are typical examples:
    - a. Diamond-point drills
    - b. Ice picks
    - c. Hones and sharpening stock

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- d. Metal cutters, blades
- e. Bolt cutters
- f. Cleaners
- g. Cutting torches
- h. Electric drills, portable
- i. Electric bench and portable grinders
- j. Files
- k. Gear pullers
- l. Diamond point and regular hacksaw blades

2. Lost or stolen tools must be reported to security of the Department of Correction.

3. Broken saw blades must be removed from the property (not left or discarded on site).

4. **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:**

- a) All tools will be accounted for by the worker and escorting officer upon completion of daily work.
- b) Workers, once entering controlled areas, are not permitted to wander from the work area. Should a worker need to go to another area, he/she will be escorted by an officer.
- c) Should work require more than one day to complete, permission to construct and use temporary storage facilities is solely at the discretion of prison authorities. The facility will not accept responsibility for any loss or damage to materials left on site. All tools and equipment should be removed daily.
- d) It is essential that construction operation and debris removal be conducted in a manner to assure that materials that may be used as weapons do not fall into the hands of inmates.
- e) Anything of unusual nature as loss of a key, identification cards, tools, piping, etc., shall be reported immediately to the escorting officer.
- f) In the event that construction requires the description of plumbing, electrical power, etc., the Director of Custody of Operations must receive at least twenty four (24) hours advance notice in order to preserve security and not to disrupt routine activities. When temporary shutdown of service is unavoidable, the work shall be completed at night during a time when the institution's routine will not be interfered.
- g) Workers will be denied access to controlled areas should they have relatives or close friends incarcerated in the facility.
- h) Workers shall be subjected to all rules and regulations and shall comply with the escorting officers' instruction accordingly.
- i) Inmates are not permitted to fraternize with the public or contractors.

5. **SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:**

- a) Materials shall be moved through the buildings using rubber tire vehicles which shall be properly controlled at all times to avoid damage to existing walls, floors, and ceiling surfaces, including doors and door and/or window frames.

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- b) Water damage will not be tolerated and it is incumbent upon the contractor to take all steps necessary to keep the existing premises dry at all times.
- c) All welding and cutting shall be performed by qualified and certified welders. Certificates shall be on file with the Construction Manager prior to commencement of any welding.
- d) Existing streets, pavements, lawns, curbs and other finished surfaces disturbed or damaged by excavation or other construction activities shall be repaired and restored to their original conditions to the satisfaction of the Owner and local authorities.

**6. SITE SECURITY:**

The following regulations must be observed by all persons having any association with the construction of this project (employees, subcontractors, workmen, service men, manufacturer's representative, etc.):

- 1) Photo Identification Card
- 2) Each trade subcontractor shall submit a list of workers who will be on site. The list will contain the following information on each employee:
  - a. Name;
  - b. Date of Birth;
  - c. Social Security Number; and
  - d. Address.
- 3) Each trade subcontractor will pick up the photo identification cards at the Main Gate (where they will be secured when not in use). He will transport the identification cards and issue the identification card upon arrival of the construction workers (after identifying the worker). The cards will be collected at the end of the day and returned to the Main Gate.
- 4) Assigning Men to the Site
  - a. Each trade subcontractor shall notify the Maintenance Superintendent twenty four (24) hours in advance, but not later than 12:00 Noon, on the previous work day before sending men to the project site so an officer can be assigned to accompany all his personnel.
- 5) Tools and Materials
  - a. No tools or materials shall be left unguarded at any time, and tools shall be removed from the working areas at the end of each working day or at any time the workmen and assigned officer leave the area.
- 6) Prison Records
  - a. Where a workman or representative visiting the institution has a prison record, the trade subcontractor shall be responsible for obtaining the particulars concerning his record and notifying the institution at least seventy two (72) hours in advance of his visit. The institution will then notify the trade subcontractor and either provide or deny permission for that person to enter the institution. Any workman denied entrance to the institution must be replaced by the trade subcontractor or subcontractor at no additional cost.
- 7) Workmen Lunch Area/Searches
  - a. Workmen are expected to stay in their respective working areas during their lunch period unless leaving the grounds is permitted.
  - b. All workmen are expected to submit to a search of themselves, toolboxes, lunch containers, and vehicles at any time if the search is deemed necessary.

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- 8) Prohibited Items
  - a. The following items are prohibited from being brought onto the prison grounds and construction site:
    - i. Alcoholic beverages and drugs
    - ii. Explosive and firearms
    - iii. Tobacco products
- 9) Working Dress and Workmen
  - a. Workmen will maintain proper attire while working at the institution.
- 10) It is forbidden to aid or abet the escape of any inmate, or to advise, connive or assist in any escape, or to conceal any inmate after escape, or withhold information pertaining thereto. Violation of this prohibition can result in prosecution and the law provides for punishment of fine and imprisonment.
- 11) It is likewise strictly forbidden to bring into or take out of the prison either for pay, or for favor, for any inmate, any article, without the proper authorization from the Maintenance Superintendent.
- 12) It is forbidden to roam at will throughout the prison. Workers are restricted to going directly to those places where the work is conducted and remaining away from all areas where they have no business to conduct.
- 13) It is prohibited to socialize, exchange pleasantries, or conduct business with inmates in traffic areas hallways, center areas, etc. Affectionate or intimate behavior between official visitors and inmates is prohibited.
- 14) All automobiles are to be parked in a location designated by the Maintenance Superintendent. Parked vehicles must always have the ignition and doors locked.
- 15) No photographs may be taken without proper authorization. No public news releases may be given without similar authorization.
- 16) Escorting of any person, not previously approved, onto the prison grounds or into the prison is prohibited.
- 17) The offering and giving of any tips, gratuities, fees, etc. to any inmates or prison personnel are strictly prohibited.
- 18) The use of indecent, abusive, or profane language is forbidden anywhere on the prison property.
- 19) Civilian or other clothing should not be left carelessly in places where it may be acquired and worn by inmates.
- 20) In the event an acquaintance, friend, or relative of contractor's employee should be an inmate of the institution at which work is being conducted, it is advisable that the contractor communicate this confidentially to the Maintenance Superintendent.

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21) Tools and Equipment Safety

- a. Flammable Liquids: Maintain flammable liquid (e.g., gasoline, fuels, etc.) in secure containers at all times, in compliance with OSHA regulations.
- b. Tools: Maintain tools and related equipment (e.g. sprinkler heads, hydrants, wires, cables, ducts, manholes, posts, poles, signals, alarm boxes, etc.) at all times.
- c. Powder Actuated Tools: Comply with Owner's and Maintenance Superintendent direction for control of powder used and stored.

22) Construction Personnel Vehicle Parking

- a. Parking spaces for privately owned vehicles operated by construction personnel may be limited.
- b. The Maintenance Superintendent will assign areas within the prison site for parking. Sufficient space will be provided to park privately owned vehicles operated by construction personnel on site.

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**DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION**  
**DAILY CONTRACTOR TOOL & EQUIPMENT INVENTORY**

The contractor tool/equipment form shall be completed and signed by all contractor personnel prior to entering a DOC facility. The following requirements apply:

1. A new tool & equipment inventory form shall be prepared, signed and dated each day.
2. This form shall serve as an inventory of all work and personal equipment carried into a Department of Correction facility and will serve to ensure that the inventoried equipment is removed from the facility at the end of the work day.
3. Each piece of work and personal equipment noted on this form shall be described in sufficient detail so that it can easily be identified and matched to the inventory by a Department of Correction staff.
4. Department of Correction strongly recommends that when work/personal equipment is to be carried into a Department of Correction facility on a repetitive basis, the equipment be marked with a unique identifier (e.g. personnel initials + number) so that it can be matched to the same unique identifier noted on the tool/equipment form.
5. Prior to entering and exiting secured areas of a Department of Correction facility, the daily tool/equipment inventory shall be reviewed and signed by the escorting officer.
6. If, prior to exiting a secured area, the preparer of this form determines that he or she cannot account for each piece of equipment, then he or she shall immediately notify the escorting officer.
7. If, prior to exiting a secure area, a Department of Correction staff cannot identify each tool or piece of equipment and reconcile it to the items inventoried on this form, then the Department of Correction staff will hold the group of contractor employees in the secure area until the discrepancy is resolved.
8. **All** tools and equipment being brought into the institution will be inventoried. Every job box will have an exact inventory of all tool boxes and equipment stored in that box. The box must be lockable and remained locked when not in use. **There are no exceptions to this rule.** List all tools for example hand tools (e.g. hammers, pliers, wrenches, and screwdrivers), electrical tools (e.g. measuring equipment, splicing equipment), power tools (e.g. drills, saws demolition equipment) and supplies (e.g. saw blades, drill bits). List all other equipment (e.g. two –way radios, writing pads, pens, pencils, etc). However, the list may be expanded to cover equipment specific to a scope of work or project. Fasteners will be inventoried prior to items entering the institution when deemed necessary by the Superintendent who must work in conjunction with the Warden’s office on a project-by-project basis. Their decision will be based on any potential security risk if lost. For example type of: nails, tap cons, lag bolts (approximately by weight or by box refer to how the item is sold and purchased). No fasteners will be left on any jobsite unless they are secured in a locked job box and approved by security.
9. Items not permitted include, but are not limited to: firearms, medicines, pocket knives, leather man tools, tobacco, matches, lighters, gum, beer, alcohol of any kind, glass bottles or containers, aluminum cans, metal knives spoons or forks, music radios, i-Pods, newspapers, fliers, or magazines.
10. Laptop computers, cameras, cell phones, and pagers are restricted items and their use can only be approved in writing, in advance by the Warden or his designee. Failure to declare an item at the sally port will result in that item being confiscated.
11. No cash over \$20.00 on your person.

**Contractor Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature & Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



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SECURITY CLEARANCE APPLICATION  
BUREAU OF PRISONS  
PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
(LAST) (FIRST) (MIDDLE)

PLEASE LIST ALL OTHER NAMES YOU HAVE USED INCLUDING MAIDEN, NICKNAMES AND RELIGIOUS NAMES:  
\_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ PLACE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_ SSN#: \_\_\_\_\_

SEX: MALE / FEMALE RACE: \_\_\_\_\_ DRIVER'S LICENSE #: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ APT #: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: HOME: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ WORK: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**DO YOU HAVE A CRIMINAL CONVICTION AND/OR ARREST ANYWHERE, TO INCLUDE TRAFFIC TICKETS? NO/YES (IF YES, COMPLETE BELOW). HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ARRESTED ANYWHERE WHETHER CONVICTED/DISMISSED/NOLLE PROSSED OR PARDONED: NO /YES (IF YES, COMPLETE BELOW). IF YOU NEED MORE ROOM, PLEASE UTILIZE THE BACK OF THIS FORM.**

COUNTRY : \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFENSE: \_\_\_\_\_ SENTENCE: \_\_\_\_\_

**ARE YOU PRESENTLY UNDER DEPT. of CORRECTION SUPERVISION: NO/YES (IF YES, WHAT):** \_\_\_\_\_

**ARE YOU RELATED TO OR KNOW ANYONE INCARCERATED AT A DOC FACILITY: NO/ YES**

IF YES, NAME OF INMATE AND YOUR RELATIONSHIP TO THEM: \_\_\_\_\_

REASON FOR CLEARANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF ACTIVITY: \_\_\_\_\_ COMPANY/  
ORGANIZATION \_\_\_\_\_

**COMPANY/ORGANIZATION EMAIL ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE READ AND SIGN:**

I understand that prison authorities will verify my criminal record information. I also understand that my application may be rejected for any reason.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

The following is the result of the DELJIS and NCIC records checks:

DELAWARE WANTS/WARRANTS \_\_\_\_\_ DELAWARE CRIMINAL HISTORY \_\_\_\_\_

NCIC WANTS/WARRANTS \_\_\_\_\_ NCIC CRIMINAL HISTORY \_\_\_\_\_

DELJIS/NCIC  
INVESTIGATOR \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_ APPROVAL EXPIRES ON: \_\_\_\_\_ IF DENIED, PLEASE INDICATE REASON  
BELOW:

DENIED \_\_\_\_\_ (1) Dishonest/incomplete application; (2) Active pending warrants/capiases; (3) Felony convictions or incarceration for a felony in past five years; (4) Misdemeanor convictions or incarceration for misdemeanor in past two years; (5) DUI conviction past two years; (6) Trafficking/delivery and/or possession of controlled substance conviction past ten years; (7) Other (See Investigation for info).

Reviewer's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_