

# State of Delaware Department of Health and Social Services Office of Chief Medical Examiner

Pricing for Real-time PCR Quantitation and PCR reagents

**Invitation to Bid** 

Contract No. HSS-13-074

**August 26<sup>th</sup> 2013** 

- Deadline to Respond -September 27<sup>th</sup> 2013 11:00am (Local Time)

#### **CONTRACT NO. HSS-13-074**

#### ALL BIDDERS:

The enclosed packet contains an "INVITATION TO BID" for HSS-13-074The invitation consists of the following documents:

#### INVITATION TO BID - CONTRACT NO. HSS-13-074

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APPENDIX A - . PRICING SPREADSHEET

Both appendixes are made part of this solicitation and are available for download at the following site:

#### http://bids.delaware.gov/

In order for your bid to be considered, the bid quotation reply section shall be executed completely and correctly and returned in a sealed envelope clearly displaying the contract number, by September 27<sup>th</sup> 2013 at 11:00am (Local Time).

#### Bids shall be submitted to:

#### STATE OF DELAWARE

Department of Health and Social Services
Procurement Administrator: Kieran Mohammed
Herman Holloway Campus
Main Administration Building
Room 257- Second floor
1901 N DuPont Hwy
New Castle, DE 19720

Please review and follow the information and instructions contained in the general and special provisions section of the invitation. Should you need additional information, please **contact Amrita Lal-Paterson via email at amrita.lal-paterson@state.de.us.** 

# Department of Health and Social Services Office of the Chief Medical Examiner

# I. DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

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

#### **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.

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

<u>BIDDER'S DEPOSIT</u>: The security designated in the proposal to be furnished by the bidder 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 the bidder.

**<u>BID INVITATION</u>**: The "bid invitation" or "invitation to bid" 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.

**CONTRACTOR**: Any individual, firm, or corporation with whom a contract is made by the Agency.

**DESIGNATED OFFICIAL**: The agent authorized to act for the 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

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

<u>SPECIAL PROVISIONS</u>: 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 contractor's payments of all debts pertaining to and for its acceptable performance of the work for which its has contracted.

#### **SECTION A - GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### 1. BID INVITATION

See "Definitions".

#### 2. PROPOSAL FORMS

The invitation to bid shall contain pre-printed forms for use by the vendor in submitting its bid. 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, etc.

#### 3. INTERPRETATION OF ESTIMATES

The attention of bidders is called to the fact that, unless stated otherwise, any quantities given in the proposal form 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.

An increase or decrease in the quantity for any item is not sufficient ground for an increase or decrease in the unit price.

#### 4. 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.

#### 5. EXAMINATION OF SPECIFICATIONS AND PROVISIONS

The bidder shall examine carefully the proposal and the contract forms for the material contemplated. The bidder 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 the Special Provisions and the contract. The submission of a proposal shall be conclusive evidence that the bidder has made examination of the aforementioned conditions.

#### 6. PREPARATION OF PROPOSAL

- a. The bidder's proposal shall be written in ink or typewritten on the form provided.
- b. If items are listed with a zero quantity, bidder shall state unit price <u>ONLY</u> (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.

#### 7. 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 must be quoted in U.S. Dollars.

#### 8. DISCOUNT

No qualifying letter or statements in or attached to the proposal, or separate discounts will be considered in determining the low bid except as may be otherwise herein noted. Cash or separate discounts should be computed and incorporated into unit bid price(s).

#### 9. 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.

#### 10. PROPOSAL GUARANTY; BID BOND

Each bidder shall submit with its proposal a guaranty in sum equal to at least 10% of the total value of its bid, according to Delaware Code Title 29, Section 6927(a).

This bid bond 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, to the State of Delaware for the benefit of the Agency, or a certified check drawn on a reputable banking institution and made payable to the Agency in the requirement amount. If Agency bond form is not utilized, the substituted bond forms must conform to the minimum of conditions specified in the Agency bond form.

#### 11. DELIVERY OF PROPOSALS

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

STATE OF DELAWARE
Department of Health and Social Services
Procurement Administrator: Kieran Mohammed
Herman Holloway Campus
Main Administration Building
Room 257- Second floor
1901 N DuPont Hwy
New Castle, DE 19720

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

#### 12. WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSALS

A bidder 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.

#### 13. PUBLIC OPENING OF PROPOSALS

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

#### 14. PUBLIC INSPECTION OF PROPOSALS

If the bidder designates a portion of its bid as confidential, it shall isolate and identify in writing the confidential portions. The bidder shall include with this designation a statement that explains and supports the firm's claim that the bid items identified as confidential contain trade secrets or other proprietary data.

#### 15. DISQUALIFICATION OF BIDDERS

Any one or more of the following causes may be considered as sufficient for the disqualification of a bidder 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 bidders.
- **c.** Unsatisfactory performance record as evidenced by past experience.
- **d.** If the unit prices are obviously unbalanced either in excess or below reasonable cost analysis values.
- **e.** 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.
- f. Non-attendance of mandatory pre-bid meetings may be cause of disqualification.

#### 16. ADDENDA TO THE ITB

If it becomes necessary to revise any part of this ITB, revisions will be posted at <a href="http://bids.delaware.gov/">http://bids.delaware.gov/</a>. 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 Invitation to Bid.

#### 17. LOBBYING AND GRATUITIES

Lobbying or providing gratuities shall be strictly prohibited. Vendors found to be lobbying, providing gratuities to, or in any way attempting to influence a State of Delaware employee or agent of the State of Delaware concerning this ITB or the award of a contract resulting from this ITB shall have their proposal immediately rejected and shall be barred from further participation in this ITB.

The selected vendor will warrant that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure a contract resulting from this ITB upon agreement or understanding for a commission, or a percentage, brokerage or contingent fee. For breach or violation of this warranty, the State of Delaware shall have the right to annul any contract resulting from this ITB without liability or at its discretion deduct from the contract price or otherwise recover the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.

All contact with State of Delaware employees, contractors or agents of the State of Delaware concerning this ITB shall be conducted in strict accordance with the manner, forum and conditions set forth in this ITB.

#### 18. SOLICITATION OF STATE EMPLOYEES

Until contract award, vendors shall not, directly or indirectly, solicit any employee of the State of Delaware to leave the State of Delaware's employ in order to accept employment with the vendor, its affiliates, actual or prospective contractors, or any person acting in concert with vendor, without prior written approval of the State of Delaware's contracting officer. Solicitation of State of Delaware employees by a vendor may result in rejection of the vendor's proposal.

This paragraph does not prevent the employment by a vendor of a State of Delaware employee who has initiated contact with the vendor. However, State of Delaware employees may be legally prohibited from accepting employment with the contractor or subcontractor under certain circumstances. Vendors may not knowingly employ a person who cannot legally accept employment under state or federal law. If a vendor discovers that they have done so, they must terminate that employment immediately.

#### 19. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS

The parties to the contract shall be independent contractors to one another, and nothing herein shall be deemed to cause this 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.

It may be at the State of Delaware's discretion as to the location of work for the contractual support personnel during the project period.

#### **SECTION B - AWARD AND EXECUTION OF CONTRACT**

#### 1. CONSIDERATION OF BIDS

- **a.** After the proposals have been opened, the bids will be tabulated and the results will be made available to the public. Tabulations of the bids will be based on the correct summation of items at the unit price bid.
- **b.** The right is reserved to waive technicalities, to reject any or all bids, or any portion thereof, to advertise for 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 bidder 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. CONTRACT AWARD

Within thirty days from the date of opening proposals, the contract will be awarded or the proposals rejected.

#### 4. EXECUTION OF CONTRACT

The bidder to whom the award is made shall execute a formal contract and bond within twenty days after date of official notice of the award of the contract.

If the successful bidder fails to execute the required contract and bond, as aforesaid, within twenty days after the date of official notice of the award of the contract, its proposal guaranty shall immediately become forfeited as liquidated damages. Award will then be made to the next lowest qualified bidder of the work or re-advertised, as the Agency may decide.

#### 5. REQUIREMENT OF CONTRACT BOND

Successful bidders shall furnish bond, unless bond(s) have been waived as noted in the Special Provisions, simultaneously with the execution of the formal contract, to the State of Delaware for the benefit of the Agency with surety in the amount of 100% of the total contract award or as otherwise provided in the Special Provisions. Said bonds shall be conditioned upon the faithful performance of the contract.

The bond forms shall be provided by the Agency and the surety shall be acceptable to the Agency.

#### 6. WARRANTY

The successful bidder(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.

#### 7. THE CONTRACT(S)

The contract(s) with the successful bidder(s) will be executed with the Department of Health and Social Services 'Office of the Chief Medical Examiner.

#### 8. RETURN OF BIDDER'S DEPOSIT

The deposits shall be returned to the successful bidder upon the execution of the formal contract. The deposits of unsuccessful bidders shall be returned to them immediately upon the awarding of the contract or rejection of their bids.

#### 9. INFORMATION REQUIREMENT

The successful bidder's shall be required to advise the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner of the gross amount of purchases made as a result of the contract.

#### 10. CONTRACT EXTENSION

The State reserves the right to extend this contract on a month-to-month basis for a period of up to three months.

#### 11. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

Contracts shall remain in effect for the time period and quantity specified unless the contract is terminated by the State. The State may terminate the 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 termination.

#### 12. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE

If, for any reasons, or through any cause, the Contractor fails to fulfill in timely and proper manner its obligations under this Contract, or if the Contractor 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 Contractor of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof, at least 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 Contractor under this Contract shall, at the option of the State, become its property, and the Contractor 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.

#### **SECTION C - GENERAL AUTHORITY**

#### 1. 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.

#### 2. LAWS TO BE OBSERVED

The contractor is presumed to know and shall strictly comply with all National, State, or County laws, and City or Town ordinances and regulations in any manner affecting the conduct of the work. The contractor 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 or by its employees.

#### 3. PERMITS AND LICENSES

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

#### 4. PATENTED DEVICES, MATERIAL AND PROCESSES

- a. The contractor 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 contractor 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.

#### 5. 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 contractor 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.

#### 6. 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 contractor. Each bidder shall take its exemption into account in calculating its bid for its work.

#### 7. 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.

#### 8. BID EVALUATION AND AWARD

The , Office of the Chief Medical Examiner will award this contract to the lowest responsible bidder(s) which in their judgment best serves the interest of the State of Delaware in accordance with Delaware Code Title 29, Section 6923(k). Personnel with experience and technical background may be utilized by the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner in making judgment. In case of error in price extension, the unit price(s) shall prevail.

#### 9. INVOICING

After the awards are made, the agencies participating in the bid may forward their purchase orders to the successful bidder(s) in accordance with State Purchasing Procedures. The State will generate a payment voucher upon receipt of an invoice from the vendor.

#### 10. 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.

#### **SECTION D - EQUAL OPPORTUNITY**

#### 1. 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 will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, sex, age, 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, creed, color, sex, age, 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 will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, 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, creed, color, 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, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or national origin."
- **c.** 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, creed, color, sex, age, or national origin.
- d. 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.

# CONTRACT NO:HSS-13-074 Pricing for Real-time PCR Quantitation and PCR reagents

#### II. SPECIAL PROVISIONS

#### 1. CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

This contract will be issued to cover the Real-time Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) quantitation and Polymerase Chain Reaction testing requirements for the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner.

#### 2. AGENCY USE CONTRACT

Pursuant to 29 Del. C. §6904(e) respectively, if no state contract exists for a certain good or service, covered agencies may procure that certain good or service under another agency's contract so long as the arrangement is agreeable to all parties. Agencies, other than covered agencies, may also procure such goods or services under another agency's contract when the arrangement is agreeable to all parties.

#### 3. CONTRACT PERIOD

Each vendor's contract shall be valid for two (2) years from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2015. Each contract may be renewed for three (3) additional one (1) year extension periods through negotiation between the contractor and Office of the Chief Medical Examiner. Negotiation must be initiated no later than ninety (90) days prior to the termination of the current agreement.

#### 4. PRICES

Prices shall remain firm for the term of the contract. All prices shall be quoted in U.S. Dollars.

#### 5. 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 ITB. The State reserves the right to reject any non-responsive or non-conforming proposals. Each proposal must be submitted with <u>2</u> paper copies and <u>2</u> electronic copies on CD or DVD media disk. One of the copies shall be marked "Master Copy" and will contain original signatures in all locations requiring a vendor signature. The remaining copies do not require original signatures. CD or DVD media disk must also contain the completed Appendix B Excel sheets, in Excel format.

#### 6. **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.

#### 7. PRICE ADJUSTMENT

During the initial term of the contract 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 2 year period, the Division of Office of the Chief Medical Examiner shall have the option of offering a determined price adjustment and 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.

#### 8. SHIPPING TERMS

F.O.B. destination; freight pre-paid.

#### 9. QUANTITIES

The attention of bidders is called to the fact that, unless stated otherwise, the quantities given in the proposal are best estimates and are given as a basis for the comparison of bids. Quantities ordered may be increased or decreased by any eligible agency as deemed necessary during the period of the contract.

Prior contract utilization may be viewed at the following site:

http://bids.delaware.gov/

#### **10. FUNDING OUT**

The continuation of this contract is contingent upon funding appropriated by the legislature.

#### 11. BID BOND REQUIREMENT

The Bid Bond requirement has been waived.

#### 12. PERFORMANCE BOND REQUIREMENT

The Performance Bond requirement has been waived.

#### 13. MANDATORY INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Certificate of Insurance and/or copies of insurance policies for the following:

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 Commercial General Liability and at least one of the other coverages depending on the type of service or product being delivered.

a. Commercial General Liability - \$1,000,000.00 per person/\$3,000,000 per occurrence.

and

**b.** Medical/Professional Liability - \$1,000,000.00 per person/\$3,000,000 per occurrence.

or

**c.** Miscellaneous Errors and Omissions - \$1,000,000.00 per person/\$3,000,000 per occurrence.

or

- **d.** Product Liability \$1,000,000.00 per person/\$3,000,000 per occurrence.
  - 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 others.
  - Forty-five (45) days written notice of cancellation or material change of any policies is required.

Administrator, Office of the Chief Medical Examiner Contract No. HSS-13-074 State of Delaware 100 Enterprise Place, Suite 4 Dover, DE 19904-8202

Note: The State of Delaware shall <u>not</u> be named as an additional insured.

#### 14. BASIS OF AWARD

Office of the Chief Medical Examiner shall award this contract to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder(s) who best meets the terms and conditions of the bid. The award will be made on basis of price, product evaluation, and prior history of service and capability.

Office of the Chief Medical Examiner 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, or lump sum total, whichever may be most advantageous to the State of Delaware.

#### 15. STATE OF DELAWARE BUSINESS LICENSE

Prior to receiving an award, the successful vendor shall either furnish Office of the Chief Medical Examiner 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 19899-8750 or by telephone to one of the following numbers: (302) 577-8201 - Public Service, (302) 577-8205 - Licensing Department.

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.

#### **16. HOLD HARMLESS**

The successful bidder agrees that it shall indemnify and hold the State of Delaware and all its agencies harmless from and against any and all claims for injury, loss of life, or damage to or loss of use of property caused or alleged to be caused, by acts or omissions of the successful bidder, its employees, and invitees on

or about the premises and which arise out of the successful bidder's performance, or failure to perform as specified in the Agreement.

#### 17. OWNERSHIP OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

All copyright and patent rights to all papers, reports, forms, materials, creations, or inventions created or developed in the performance of this contract shall become the sole property of the State of Delaware. On request, the contractor shall promptly provide an acknowledgment or assignment in a tangible form satisfactory to the State to evidence the State's sole ownership of specifically identified intellectual property created or developed in the performance of the contract.

#### 18. NON-PERFORMANCE

In the event the vendor does not fulfill its obligations under the terms and conditions of this contract, the ordering agency may purchase equivalent product on the open market. Any difference in cost between the contract prices herein and the price of open market product shall be the responsibility of the vendor. 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.

#### 19. 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.

#### 20. CONTRACTOR NON-ENTITLEMENT

State of Delaware Contractors for Materiel and for Services shall not have legal entitlement to, nor seek business from another Contractors' Central Contract. Additionally, they shall not utilize other Central Contracts to fulfill the requirements of their respective contract as they are not a "Covered Agency" as defined by Title 29 Chapter 69 of the State Procurement Code.

#### 21. EXCEPTIONS

Bidders may elect to take minor exception to the terms and conditions of this ITB. Office of the Chief Medical Examiner shall evaluate each exception according to the intent of the terms and conditions contained herein, but Office of the Chief Medical Examiner 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 G to be considered. Office of the Chief Medical Examiner maintains sole discretion to reject any vendor exceptions that are submitted.

#### 22. MANDATORY USAGE REPORTING

One of the primary goals in administering this contract is to keep accurate records regarding its actual value. 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 bidders.

A Monthly Usage Report (Sample Report 1) shall be furnished on the 15<sup>th</sup> (or next business day after the 15<sup>th</sup> day) of each month by the successful Vendor **Electronically in Excel format** detailing the purchasing of all items on this contract. The Monthly Usage Reports shall be submitted electronically in <u>EXCEL</u> and sent as an attachment to <u>vendorusage@state.de.us</u>. It shall contain the six-digit department and organization code. Any exception to this mandatory requirement may result in 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 14 and 29 – Increasing Supplier Diversity Initiatives within State Government and Ensuring Representation of Veteran-Owned Businesses..., the State of Delaware is committed to supporting its diverse business industry and population. The successful Vendor will be required to report on the participation by a minority, woman, or veteran owned business (Diversity Supplier) 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, or veteran certifications for the subcontractor (State OSD certification, Minority Supplier Development Council, Women's Business Enterprise Council). The format used for this Subcontracting 2<sup>nd</sup> Tier report is found below (Sample Report 2).

Subcontracting 2nd tier reports shall be submitted to the contracting Agency's OSD at osd@state.de.us on the 15<sup>th</sup> (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.

#### 23. <u>BUSINESS REFERENCES</u>

In order to have your bid considered, please supply three (3) business references consisting of current or previous customers with your reply. Please include name, address, telephone number, and a contact person.

#### PLEASE DO NOT UTILIZE STATE OF DELAWARE PERSONNEL AS REFERENCES.

#### 24. ORDERING PROCEDURE

Successful contractors 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. Each agency is responsible for placing their orders and may be accomplished by written purchase order, telephone, fax or computer on-line systems. The contractor or vendor must accept full payment by procurement (credit) card and/or conventional check and/or other electronic means at the State's option, without imposing any additional fees, costs or conditions.

#### 25. BILLING

The successful vendor is required to <u>"Bill as Shipped"</u> to the respective ordering agency(s). Ordering agencies shall provide contract number, ship to and bill to address, contact name and phone number.

#### 26. PAYMENT

The agencies or school districts involved will authorize and process for payment each invoice within thirty (30) days after the date of receipt of a correct invoice. The contractor or vendor must accept full payment by procurement (credit) card and/or conventional check and/or other electronic means at the State's option, without imposing any additional fees, costs or conditions.

#### 27. PRODUCT SUBSTITUTION

All items delivered during the life of the contract shall be of the same type and manufacture as specified or accepted as part of the bid proposal unless specific approval is given by Office of the Chief Medical Examiner to do otherwise. However, 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 cost savings to the state exists. In such cases, the state may require the submission of written specifications and/or product samples for evaluation prior to any approvals being granted.

#### 28. BID/CONTRACT EXECUTION

Both the non-collusion statement that is enclosed with this Invitation to Bid and the contract form delivered to the successful bidder for signature **shall** be executed by a representative who has the legal capacity to enter the organization into a formal contract with the State of Delaware, Office of the Chief Medical Examiner. The awarded vendor(s) will be required to complete the new W-9 Form by visiting the Division of Accounting's Website: http://accounting.delaware.gov

#### 29. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY

The State will enter into a contract with the successful contractor. The successful contractor shall be responsible for all products and services as required by this ITB. Subcontractors, if any, shall be clearly identified in the financial proposal.

#### **30. PERSONNEL**

- **a.** The Contractor represents that they have, or will secure at their own expense, all personnel required to perform the services required under this contract.
- **b.** All of the services required hereunder shall be performed by the Contractor 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 work or services covered by this contract shall be subcontracted without the prior written approval of the State.

#### 31. LIFE CYCLE COSTING

If applicable, the specifications contained within this ITB have been developed through Life Cycle Cost Analysis that will allow the State to realize the lowest total cost of ownership and operation over the useful life of the equipment

#### 32. ENVIRONMENTAL PROCUREMENT PRODUCTS

- a. Energy Star If applicable, the Contractor 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 Contractor is encouraged to visit <a href="www.energystar.gov">www.energystar.gov</a> 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.** Contractors 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: <a href="http://gss.omb.delaware.gov/contracting/documents/agencyboilers/espp.pdf">http://gss.omb.delaware.gov/contracting/documents/agencyboilers/espp.pdf</a>.

#### 33. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

Contracts shall remain in effect for the time period and quantity specified unless the contract is terminated by the State. The State may terminate the 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 termination.

#### 34. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE

If, for any reasons, or through any cause, the Contractor fails to fulfill in timely and proper manner its obligations under this Contract, or if the Contractor 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 Contractor of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof, at least 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 Contractor under this Contract shall, at the option of the State, become its property, and the Contractor 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.

#### 35. <u>AUDIT ACCESS TO RECORDS</u>

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.

#### 36. 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 to meet a critical need for commodities or services when the Governor of the State of Delaware declares a state of emergency under the current Delaware Emergency Operations Plan. Failure to provide this information could render the bid as non-responsive.

#### 37. ELECTRONIC CATALOG

The successful vendor(s) may be required to submit their items list in electronic format designated by the State.

Note: The State of Delaware is in the process of implementing a new financials system, which will require the use of:

- Electronic catalogs.
- Commodity/classification code: United Nations Standard Products and Services Code (UNSPSC).
- A unique item ID for all items in our system.

The state has made the determination to include the requirement in this contract for two reasons:

- a. To find out what vendors can offer.
- **b.** To give the agencies and school districts a level of comfort in using electronic catalogs.

#### 38. SUBCONTRACTS

Subcontracting is permitted under this ITB and contract. However, every subcontractor shall be identified in the Proposal (Attachment E) 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 ITB 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.

If a company elects to be a subcontractor for another vendor, the subcontractor may not independently bid on this solicitation.

#### 39. 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. <a href="http://gss.omb.delaware.gov/divisionwide/forms.shtml">http://gss.omb.delaware.gov/divisionwide/forms.shtml</a>.

#### 40. CONFIDENTIALITY

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 ITB number. The envelope must contain Attachment H 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.

If the Vendor does not have any documents it declares confidential or proprietary, Attachment H should be completed by checking the appropriate box found at the top of the attachment.

#### **III.TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

**DNA Plexor HYQuantitation Kit**: a real-time PCR kit used to measure the amount of total human (autosomal) DNA and also the amount of male (Y) DNA.

**PowerPlex**<sup>®</sup>**16, PowerPlex**<sup>®</sup>**Fusion, PowerPlex**<sup>®</sup>**18D Kits:** PCR kits are used to generate a human DNA profile that can then potentially be uploaded into the Delaware State DNA Index System and into the National DNA Index System. Penta D and Penta E are needed in the kits.

PowerPlex® Y23 Kit: A PCR kit used to generate a male DNA profile.

#### IV. BID QUOTATION REPLY SECTION

Contract No. HSS-13-074

Pricing for Real-time PCR Quantitation and PCR reagents

Please fill out the attached forms fully and completely and return with your bid in a sealed envelope clearly displaying the contract number to **Department of Health and Social Services Procurement Office by**September 27<sup>th</sup> 2013 at 11:00(Local Time) at which time bids will be opened.

#### Bids shall be submitted to:

STATE OF DELAWARE
Department of Health and Social Services
Procurement Administrator: Kieran Mohammed
Herman Holloway Campus
Main Administration Building
Room 257- Second floor
1901 N DuPont Hwy
New Castle, DE 19720

#### **PUBLIC BID OPENINGS**

The public bid opening insures the citizens of Delaware that contracts are being bid fairly on a competitive basis and comply with Delaware procurement laws. The agency conducting the opening is required by law to publicly open the bids at the time and place specified and the contract shall be awarded within thirty (30) days thereafter. The main purpose of the bid opening is to reveal the name(s) of the bidders(s), not to serve as a forum for determining the apparent low bidders. The disclosure of additional information, including prices, shall be at the discretion of the contracting agency until such time that the responsiveness of each bid has been determined.

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

NOTE: ONLY THE BIDDER'S NAME WILL BE READ AT THE BID OPENING

Sample Report 1

State of Delaware Monthly Usage Report

#### FOR ILLUSTRATION PURPOSES ONLY

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	State of Delaware								
	Monthly Usage Report								
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Note: A copy of the Usage Report will be sent by electronic mail to the Awarded Vendor. The report shall be submitted electronically in <a href="mailto:EXCEL">EXCEL</a> and sent as an attachment to <a href="mailto:contracting@state.de.us">contracting@state.de.us</a>. It shall contain the six-digit department and organization code for each agency and school district.

**Sample Report 2** 

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**Note:** A copy of the Subcontracting Quarterly 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: <a href="mailto:contracting@state.de.us">contracting@state.de.us</a>.

Attachment A

#### **Proposal Reply Requirements**

The response should contain at a minimum the following information:

- 1. Brief Vendor Cover Letter including an Applicant's experience, if any, providing similar services.
- 2. One (1) paper copy of the **Appendix A** bid response paperwork.

The Appendix A – Pricing Spreadsheet is available at the following website:

www.bids.delaware.gov

Vendors MUST provide copies of all pricing spreadsheet tabs.

- One (1) complete, signed and notarized copy of the non-collusion agreement (See Attachment C).
   MUST HAVE ORIGINAL SIGNATURES AND NOTARY MARK
- **4.** Bid Bond paperwork (See Attachment D) or certified check as required or remove entire line if bond requirement has been waved.
- **5.** One (1) complete and signed copy of the Subcontractor Information Form (See Attachment E) for each subcontractor only provide if applicable.
- **6.** One (1) completed Business Reference form (See Attachment F) please provide references other than State of Delaware contacts. Form must be included.
- **7.** One (1) completed ITB Exception form (See Attachment G) please check box if no information. Form must be included.
- **8.** One (1) completed Confidential Information form (See Attachment H) please check box if no information provided will be considered confidential or proprietary. Form must be included.
- 9. One (1) complete OSD application (see link on Attachment I) only provide if applicable

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.

Attachment A

Contract No.: HSS-13-074

Contract Title: PCR QUANTITATION AND REAGENTS

#### **BID QUOTATION**

DELIVERY	CONTRACT TOTAL VALUE \$
Ship Stock days ARO	COMPANY
Ship Non-Stock days ARO	
	DATE

**Attachment B** 

STATE OF DELAWARE
Department of Health and Social Services
Herman Holloway Campus
Main Administration Building, room 257
1901 N DuPont Hwy New Castle DE 19720

#### NO BID REPLY FORM

#### Contract No.HSS-13-074 Contract Title: PCR quantitation and reagents

To assist us in obtaining good competition on our Request for Bids, we ask that each firm that has received an invitation, 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 Bidder's List by so indicating below, or do not return this form or bona fide bid.

Unfortuna	itely, we must offer a "No Bid" at this time because:
1.	We do not wish to participate in the bid process.
2. objections	We do not wish to bid under the terms and conditions of the Request for Bid document. Our sare:
3.	We do not feel we can be competitive.
4. company.	We cannot submit a Bid because of the marketing or franchising policies of the manufacturing
5.	We do not wish to sell to the State. Our objections are:
6.	We do not sell the items/services on which Bids are requested.
7.	Other:
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	Ve wish to remain on the Bidder's List <b>for these goods or services</b> .  Ve wish to be deleted from the Bidder's List <b>for these goods or services</b> .

**Attachment C** 

CONTRACT NO.: HSS-13-074

TITLE: PCR QUANTITATION AND REAGENTS
OPENING DATE: 9/27/2013 at 11:00AM (Local Time)

#### **NON-COLLUSION STATEMENT**

This is to certify that the undersigned bidder 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 bid submitted this date to Department of Health and Social Services].

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**Attachment D** 

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**Attachment E** 

### **Subcontractor Information Form**

Contract No. **HSS-13-074**Contract Title: **PCR Quantitation and Reagents** 

PART I –	STATEMENT BY	PROPOSING VEN	DOR
1. CONTRACT NO.		roposing Vendor Name:	3. Mailing Address
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4. SUBCONTRACTOR			1
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6b. TITLE OF PERSON SIGNING			
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9a. NAME OF PERSON SIGNING	10. BY (Signature)	11. Г	DATE SIGNED
9b. TITLE OF PERSON SIGNING			

#### **Business References**

Contract No. HSS-13-074

TITLE: PCR QUANTITATION AND REAGENTS

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 list the contract.

1.	Contact Name & Title:	
	Business Name:	
	Address:	
	Email:	
	Phone # / Fax #:	
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	Business Name:	
	Address:	
	Email:	
	Phone # / Fax #:	
	Current Vendor (YES or NO):	
	Years Associated & Type of Work Performed:	
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3.	Contact Name & Title:	
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	Address:	
	Email:	
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STATE OF DELAWARE PERSONNEL MAY NOT BE USED AS REFERENCES.

**Attachment G** 

### **ITB Exceptions**

Contract No HSS-13-074

TITLE: PCR QUANTITATION AND REAGENTS

Proposals must include all exceptions to the specifications, terms or conditions contained in this ITB. If the vendor is submitting the proposal without exceptions, please state so below.

 $\hfill \Box$  By checking this box, the Vendor acknowledges that they take no exceptions to the specifications, terms or conditions found in this ITB.

Paragraph #	Exceptions to Specifications, terms or conditions	Proposed Alternative
and page #	or conditions	Proposed Alternative

Note: use additional pages as necessary.

**Attachment H** 

#### **Confidential Information Form**

Contract No HSS-13-074

TITLE: PCR QUANTITATION AND REAGENTS

☐ By checking this box, the Vendor acknowledges that they are not providing any information they declare to be confidential or proprietary for the purpose of production under 29 Del. C. ch. 100, Delaware Freedom of Information Act.
Confidentiality and Proprietary Information

Note: Add additional pages as needed.



#### **State of Delaware**

# Office of Supplier Diversity Certification Application

The most recent application can be downloaded from the following site: <a href="http://gss.omb.delaware.gov/osd/certify.shtml">http://gss.omb.delaware.gov/osd/certify.shtml</a>



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

Office of Supplier Diversity (OSD) 100 Enterprise Place, Suite 4 Dover, DE 19904-8202

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