

**Informal Solicitation # 1114737**

**Montgomery County Division of Fleet Management Services**

**Fuel Master (Syntech) Fuel Management System, Maintenance and Service Repair**

**1. BACKGROUND**

The Department of General Services (DGS), Division of Fleet Management Services (FMS), and Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Services (MCFRS) operational fuel management system is Fuel Master. DFMS has a joint venture with MCFRS to maintain the operation and maintenance of Fuel Master equipment. This Fuel Master system is required for fueling authorization at 13 fueling sites operated by DFMS, and 21 MCFRS stations throughout the County. These fueling locations provide optimal fueling for all county government agencies, MCFRS, along with several other independent government agencies within the County.

**2. PURPOSE AND INTENT**

FMS requires a Contractor to perform maintenance and service repairs on Fuel Master equipment located at their 13 fueling sites along with the 21 MCFRS stations. The County intends to award one Contract as a result of this Informal Solicitation. DGS will be the authorized user of the Contract resulting from this Solicitation (the "Contract"). The Contractor is not to perform any work under the Contract for any other County agency.

**3. SCOPE OF SERVICE**

- a. Contractor will provide maintenance service and repairs to Fuel Master, DFMS fuel management system.
- b. Contractor shall quote an hourly service rate for service and repairs to Fuel Master. Contractor shall furnish a discounted off the manufacture's list price for furnished parts.
- c. A flat rate will be provided for all truck trip charges to all DFMS and MCFRS sites in Montgomery County.
- d. All service and repairs must be requested by Contract Administrator or designee.
- e. Contractor must provide an itemized quote on all necessary repairs and parts. Approval must be granted before any repairs are performed by Contractor.
- f. Contractor must respond to all service calls within 24 hours of notification.
- g. DFMS and MCFRS can add or delete sites at any time to the lists provided.
- h. Operational hours are 7am to 3pm.

i. DFMS has the following fuel sites:

	<i>Name</i>	<i>Location</i>
1)	EMTOC	16700 Crabbs Branch Way, Rockville, MD 20855
2)	BMF (Bottom of Hill)	8710 Brookville Rd. Silver Spring, MD 20910
3)	County Office Building	100 Maryland Ave., Rockville, MD 20855
4)	Gaithersburg Highway	17000 Crabbs Branch Way, Rockville, MD 20855
5)	Silver Spring Highway	8710 Brookville RD. Silver Spring, MD 20910
6)	Seven Locks	1283 Seven Locks Rd., Potomac, MD 20854
7)	Colesville Highway	14335 Cape May Rd., Silver Spring, MD 20904
8)	Germantown Police Station	20000 Aircraft Drive, Germantown, MD 20874
9)	Damascus Highway	26149 Ridge Rd., Damascus, MD 20872
10)	Poolesville Highway	19200 Jerusalem Rd., Poolesville, MD 20837
11)	3 <sup>RD</sup> District Police Station	1002 Milestone Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20904
12)	Kensington Bus Depot	4925 Nicholson Court, Kensington, MD 20895
13)	MASP	8751 Snouffer School Rd., Gaithersburg, MD 20879

j. MCFRS has the following fuel sites:

	<i>Name</i>	<i>Location</i>
1)	Wheaton Vol. Rescue 2	2400 Arcola Ave., Wheaton, MD 20902
2)	Kensington Vol. Station 5	10620 Connecticut Ave., Kensington, MD 20985
3)	Bethesda Station 6	6600 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda, MD 20815
4)	Gaithersburg Station 8	801 Russell Ave., Gaithersburg, MD 20879
5)	Hyattstown Vol. Station 9	25801 Frederick Rd., Clarksburg, MD 20871
6)	C.J. Vol. Station 10	8001 River Rd., Bethesda, MD 20817
7)	Glen Echo Vol. Station 11	5920 Massachusetts Ave., Bethesda, MD 20816
8)	Hillandale Vol. Station 12	10617 New Hampshire Ave., Silver Spring, MD 20903
9)	Upper Mont. Vol. Station 14	19801 Beallsville Rd., Beallsville, MD 20839
10)	Burtonsville Vol. Station 15	13900 Old Columbia Pike, Burtonsville, MD 20904
11)	Silver Spring Station 16	111 University Blvd., Silver Spring, MD 20901
12)	Laytonsville Vol. Station 17	21400 Laytonsville Rd., Laytonsville, MD 20882
13)	Kensington Vol. Station 21	12500 Veirs Mill Rd., Rockville, MD 20853
14)	Kensington Vol. Station 25	14401 Connecticut Ave., Layhill, MD 20906
15)	Bethesda Station 26	6700 Democracy Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817
16)	Gaithersburg Station 28	7272 Muncaster Mill Rd., Derwood, MD 20855
17)	Rockville Station 31	12100 Darnestown Rd., North Potomac, MD 20878
18)	Travilah Station 32	9615 Darnestown Rd., Rockville, MD 20850
19)	Milestone Station 34	20633 Boland Farm Rd., Germantown, MD 20876
20)	Sandy Spring Station 40	16911 Georgia Ave., Olney, MD 20832
21)	Southlawn Maintenance	14935 Southlawn Lane, Rockville, MD 20850

**4. CONTRACTOR'S QUALIFICATIONS**

- a. The Contractor must be a trained Certified Fuel Master Technician. Contractor must provide proof of certification with bid.
- b. The Contractor must provide a list of three (3) professional references that can validate the Contractor's experience in providing services of similar scope and nature to the one included in this solicitation.

**5. METHOD OF AWARD**

The Solicitation will be awarded to the responsible bidder submitting the lowest responsive bid, as determined by the Director, Office of Procurement. The lowest bidder is determined by the aggregate of the labor rate per hour and truck trip charge submitted. Bidders must bid all lines to be considered for award. Failure to do so may rule the vendor non-responsive.

**6. TERM**

The effective date of this Contract begins upon signature by the Director, Office of Procurement. The County will award services for a one (1) year term. Before this term for performance ends, the Director at his/her sole option may (but is not required to) renew the term. Contractor's satisfactory performance does not guarantee a renewal of the term. The Director may exercise this option to renew this term for two (2) additional one year.

**7. INVOICING**

All invoices must be submitted to:

Montgomery County Division of Fleet Management Services  
Attn: Bradley Weatherly  
16700 Crabbs Branch Way  
Rockville, MD 20855

## **8. MANDATORY INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

### ***Fuel Management Technologies***

Manages a Wide Range of Fueling and Fleet Management Applications

Prior to the execution of the contract by the County, the proposed awardee/contractor and their contractors (if requested by County) must obtain, at their own cost and expense, the following *minimum* (not maximum) insurance coverage with an insurance company/companies licensed to conduct business in the State of Maryland and acceptable to the Division of Risk Management. This insurance must be kept in full force and effect during the term of this contract, including all extensions. The insurance must be evidenced by a certificate of insurance, and if requested by the County, the proposed awardee/contractor shall provide a copy of the insurance policies and additional insured endorsements. The minimum limits of coverage listed below shall not be construed as the maximum as required by contract or as a limitation of any potential liability on the part of the proposed awardee/contractor to the County nor shall failure to request evidence of this insurance in any way be construed as a waiver of proposed awardee / contractor's obligation to provide the insurance coverage specified. The Contractor's insurance shall be primary. Coverage pursuant to this Section shall not include any provision that would bar, restrict, or preclude coverage for claims by Montgomery County against Contractor, including but not limited to "cross-liability" or "insured vs insured" exclusion provisions.

### **Commercial General Liability**

A minimum limit of liability of ***one million dollars (\$1,000,000), per occurrence***, for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage coverage per occurrence including the following coverages:

- Contractual Liability
- Premises and Operations
- Independent Contractors & Subcontractors
- Products and Completed Operations

### **Commercial Automobile Liability Coverage**

A minimum limit of liability of ***one million dollars (\$ 1,000,000), per occurrence***, for bodily injury and property damage coverage per occurrence including the following:

- owned automobiles
- hired automobiles
- non-owned automobiles

### **Worker's Compensation/Employer's Liability**

Meeting all statutory requirements of the State of Maryland Law and with the following minimum Employers' Liability limits:

- Bodily Injury by Accident - \$100,000 each accident
- Bodily Injury by Disease - \$500,000 policy limits
- Bodily Injury by Disease - \$100,000 each employee

### **Additional Insured**

Montgomery County, Maryland, its elected and appointed officials, officers, consultants, agents and employees, must be included as an additional insured on Contractor's commercial general, automobile insurance, and contractor's excess/umbrella insurance if used to satisfy the Contractor's minimum insurance requirements under this contract, for liability arising out of contractor's products, goods and services provided under this contract. The stipulated limits of coverage above shall not be construed as a limitation of any potential liability of the contractor.

### **Policy Cancellation**

Should any of the above policies be cancelled before the expiration date thereof, written notice must be delivered to the County in accordance with the policy provisions.

### **Certificate Holder**

Montgomery County, MD  
General Svs / Central Svs / Suzanne Kapust  
101 Monroe Street, 9<sup>th</sup> floor  
Rockville, Md 20850

## 9. SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Bids are due no later than **3:00 PM** on **June 1, 2020**. Bidders **MUST** submit their bids in Adobe Acrobat (PDF) electronic format via email to [Bradley.Weatherly@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:Bradley.Weatherly@montgomerycountymd.gov). The bids must be clearly marked with the solicitation number, due date, and due time; and should be comprised of only one electronic document in PDF format.
2. Please note that any bids received after **3:00 PM on June 1, 2020** will not be considered for award under this solicitation.
3. Bids must include the following:
  - a. Price Sheet (Attachment A)
  - b. Professional References (in company's letterhead)
  - c. Wage Requirements Certification (see Attachment C).
  - d. MFD Performance Plan (see Attachment D).
  - e. Proof of legal name:
    1. Incorporated Entity:
      - W-9
      - Articles of Incorporation and/or Articles of Amendment (NOTE-the name on the W9 **must** match the names listed in the Articles)
    2. Sole Proprietorship:
      1. W-9
      2. Email or letter from proprietor stating his/her name as shown on his/her social security card
4. Questions regarding the solicitation may be directed to Bradley Weatherly at 240-777-5774 or via email to [Bradley.Weatherly@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:Bradley.Weatherly@montgomerycountymd.gov).

## ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A – Price Sheet

Attachment B - County's General Terms and Conditions. **Read carefully.** This document will be incorporated into the final Contract.

Attachment C – Wage Requirements Addendum and Certification

Attachment D – MFD Addendum and Performance Plan

**ATTACHMENT A**

**Price Sheet**

Prices are to be inclusive of all associated costs, that is, but not limited to, direct labor, supervision, general and administrative overhead, taxes, insurance, profit and the cost of any associated equipment, materials and supplies. Award will be based on the lowest aggregate total. A unit price must be bid on all items within the Quotation Sheet or the bid will be declared non-responsive and rejected. If there are discrepancies in the arithmetic calculation, the unit price will prevail and the County reserves the right to recalculate the extended price. This is a per requirement based solicitation, the Listed Equipment and the Yearly Estimated Hours are not a guarantee of annual usage.

**Part A. Fuel Master Equipment – Service Maintenance and Repairs**

1	Service Technician	Labor Rate per Hour	\$ _____
2	Service Truck Trip Charge	Flat Rate per Trip	\$ _____
Total Aggregate of Lines 1 and 2			\$ _____

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# GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT BETWEEN COUNTY & CONTRACTOR

## 1. ACCOUNTING SYSTEM AND AUDIT, ACCURATE INFORMATION

The contractor certifies that all information the contractor has provided or will provide to the County is true and correct and can be relied upon by the County in awarding, modifying, making payments, or taking any other action with respect to this contract including resolving claims and disputes. Any false or misleading information is a ground for the County to terminate this contract for cause and to pursue any other appropriate remedy. The contractor certifies that the contractor's accounting system conforms with generally accepted accounting principles, is sufficient to comply with the contract's budgetary and financial obligations, and is sufficient to produce reliable financial information.

The County may examine the contractor's and any first tier subcontractor's records to determine and verify compliance with the contract and to resolve or decide any claim or dispute arising under this contract. The contractor and any first tier subcontractor must grant the County access to these records at all reasonable times during the contract term and for 3 years after final payment. If the contract is supported to any extent with federal or state funds, the appropriate federal or state authorities may also examine these records. The contractor must include the preceding language of this paragraph in all first tier subcontracts.

## 2. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

The contractor agrees to comply with the nondiscrimination requirements of Titles II and III, and other provisions, of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Pub. Law 101-336, and ADA Amendments Act of 2008, Pub. Law 110-325, as amended, currently found at 42 U.S.C., § 12101, et seq., and 47 U.S.C., ch. 5.

## 3. APPLICABLE LAWS

This contract must be construed in accordance with the laws and regulations of Maryland and Montgomery County. The Montgomery County Procurement Regulations are incorporated by reference into, and made a part of, this contract. In the case of any inconsistency between this contract and the Procurement Regulations, the Procurement Regulations govern. The contractor must, without additional cost to the County, pay any necessary fees and charges, obtain any necessary licenses and permits, and comply with applicable federal, state and local laws, codes and regulations. For purposes of litigation involving this contract, except for contract Disputes discussed in paragraph 8 below, exclusive venue and jurisdiction must be in the Circuit Court for Montgomery County, Maryland or in the District Court of Maryland for Montgomery County.

The County's prevailing wage law, as found at §11B-33C of the County Code, applies to certain construction contracts. To the extent applicable, the County's prevailing wage requirements are enumerated within this solicitation/contract in the "Prevailing Wage Requirements for Construction Contract Addendum to the General Conditions of Contract between County and Contractor." If applicable to this contract, the Addendum will be attached to the contract, and will be incorporated herein by reference, and made a part thereof.

Furthermore, certain non-profit and governmental entities may purchase supplies and services, similar in scope of work and compensation amounts provided for in a County contract, using their own contract and procurement laws and regulations, pursuant to the Md. State Finance and Procurement Article, Section 13-101, et. seq.

Contractor and all of its subcontractors must comply with the provisions of County Code §11B-35A and must not retaliate against a covered employee who discloses an illegal or improper action described in §11B-35A. Furthermore, an aggrieved covered employee under §11B-35A is a third-party beneficiary under this Contract, who may by civil action recover compensatory damages including interest and reasonable attorney's fees, against the contractor or one of its subcontractors for retaliation in violation of that Section.

The contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of the Displaced Service Workers Protection Act, which appears in County Code, Chapter 27, Human Rights and Civil Liberties, Article X, Displaced Service Workers Protection Act, §§ 27-64 through 27-66.

Montgomery County's Earned Sick and Safe Leave Law, found at Sections 27-76 through 27-82 of the County Code, became effective October 1, 2016. An employer doing business in the County, as defined under the statute, must comply with this law. This includes an employer vendor awarded a County contract. A vendor may obtain information regarding this law at <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/humanrights/>

## 4. ASSIGNMENTS AND SUBCONTRACTS

The contractor must not assign or transfer this contract, any interest herein or any claim hereunder, except as expressly authorized in writing by the Director, Office of Procurement. Unless performance is separately and expressly waived in writing by the Director, Office of Procurement, an assignment does not release the contractor from responsibility for performance of this contract. Unless otherwise provided in the contract, the contractor may not contract with any other party for furnishing any of the materials or services herein contracted for without the written approval of the Director, Office of Procurement. Any subcontract for any work hereunder must comport with the terms of this Contract and County law, and must include any other terms and conditions that the County deems necessary to protect its interests. The contractor must not employ any subcontractor that is a debarred or suspended person under County Code §11B-37. The contractor is fully responsible to the County for the acts and omissions of itself, its subcontractors and any persons either directly or indirectly employed by them. Nothing contained in the contract documents shall create any contractual relation between any subcontractor and the County, and nothing in the contract documents is intended to make any subcontractor a beneficiary of the contract between the County and the contractor.

## 5. CHANGES

The Director, Office of Procurement, may unilaterally change the work, materials and services to be performed. The change must be in writing and within the general scope of the contract. The contract will be modified to reflect any time or money adjustment the contractor is entitled to receive. Contractor must bring to the Contract Administrator, in writing, any claim about an adjustment in time or money resulting from a change, within 30 days from the date the Director, Office of Procurement, issued the change in work, or the claim is waived. Any failure to agree upon a time or money adjustment must be resolved under the "Disputes" clause of this contract. The contractor must proceed with the prosecution of the work as changed, even if there is an unresolved claim. No charge for any extra work, time or material will be allowed, except as provided in this section.

## 6. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

A. The contract administrator, subject to paragraph B below, is the Department representative designated by the Director, Office of Procurement, in writing and is authorized to:

- (1) serve as liaison between the County and the contractor;
- (2) give direction to the contractor to ensure satisfactory and complete performance;
- (3) monitor and inspect the contractor's performance to ensure acceptable timeliness and quality;
- (4) serve as records custodian for this contract, including wage and prevailing wage requirements;
- (5) accept or reject the contractor's performance;
- (6) furnish timely written notice of the contractor's performance failures to the Director, Office of Procurement, and to the County Attorney, as appropriate;
- (7) prepare required reports;

- (8) approve or reject invoices for payment;
  - (9) recommend contract modifications or terminations to the Director, Office of Procurement;
  - (10) issue notices to proceed; and
  - (11) monitor and verify compliance with any MFD Performance Plan.
- B. The contract administrator is NOT authorized to make determinations (as opposed to recommendations) that alter, modify, terminate or cancel the contract, interpret ambiguities in contract language, or waive the County's contractual rights.

#### 7. COST & PRICING DATA

Chapter 11B of the County Code and the Montgomery County Procurement Regulations require that cost & pricing data be obtained from proposed awardees/contractors in certain situations. The contractor guarantees that any cost & pricing data provided to the County will be accurate and complete. The contractor grants the Director, Office of Procurement, access to all books, records, documents, and other supporting data in order to permit adequate evaluation of the contractor's proposed price(s). The contractor also agrees that the price to the County, including profit or fee, may, at the option of the County, be reduced to the extent that the price was based on inaccurate, incomplete, or noncurrent data supplied by the contractor.

#### 8. DISPUTES

Any dispute arising under this contract that is not disposed of by agreement must be decided under the Montgomery County Code and the Montgomery County Procurement Regulations. Pending final resolution of a dispute, the Contractor must proceed diligently with contract performance. Subject to subsequent revocation or alteration by the Director, Office of Procurement, the head of the County department, office or agency ("Department Head") of the contract administrator is the designee of the Director, Office of Procurement, for the purpose of dispute resolution. The Department Head, or his/her designee, must forward to the Director, Office of Procurement, a copy of any written resolution of a dispute. The Department Head may delegate this responsibility to another person (other than the contract administrator). A contractor must notify the contract administrator of a claim in writing, and must attempt to resolve a claim with the contract administrator prior to filing a dispute with the Director, Office of Procurement or designee. The contractor waives any dispute or claim not made in writing and received by the Director, Office of Procurement, within 30 days of the event giving rise to the dispute or claim, whether or not the contract administrator has responded to a written notice of claim or resolved the claim. The Director, Office of Procurement, must dismiss a dispute that is not timely filed. A dispute must be in writing, for specific relief, and any requested relief must be fully supported by affidavit of all relevant calculations, including cost and pricing information, records, and other information. At the County's option, the contractor agrees to be made a party to any related dispute involving another contractor.

#### 9. DOCUMENTS, MATERIALS, AND DATA

All documents materials or data developed as a result of this contract are the County's property. The County has the right to use and reproduce any documents, materials, and data, including confidential information, used in the performance of, or developed as a result of, this contract. The County may use this information for its own purposes, including reporting to state and federal agencies. The contractor warrants that it has title to or right of use of all documents, materials or data used or developed in connection with this contract. The contractor must keep confidential all documents, materials, and data prepared or developed by the contractor or supplied by the County.

#### 10. DURATION OF OBLIGATION

The contractor agrees that all of contractor's obligations and warranties, including all requirements imposed by the Minority Owned Business Addendum to these General Conditions, if any, which directly or indirectly are intended by their nature or by implication to survive contractor performance, do survive the completion of performance, termination for default, termination for convenience, or termination by mutual consent of the contract.

#### 11. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

There are no promises, terms, conditions, or obligations other than those contained in this contract. This contract supersedes all communications, representations, or agreements, either verbal or written, between the parties hereto, with the exception of express warranties given to induce the County to enter into the contract.

#### 12. ETHICS REQUIREMENTS/POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS

The contractor must comply with the ethics provisions contained in Chapters 11B and 19A, Montgomery County Code, which include the following:

- (a) a prohibition against making or offering to make certain gifts. Section 11B-51(a).
- (b) a prohibition against kickbacks. Section 11B-51(b).
- (c) a prohibition against a person engaged in a procurement from employing or offering to employ a public employee. Section 11B-52 (a).
- (d) a prohibition against a contractor that is providing a recommendation to the County from assisting another party or seeking to obtain an economic benefit beyond payment under the contract. Section 11B-52 (b).
- (e) a restriction on the use of confidential information obtained in performing a contract. Section 11B-52 (c).
- (f) a prohibition against contingent fees. Section 11B-53.

Furthermore, the contractor specifically agrees to comply with Sections 11B-51, 11B-52, 11B-53, 19A-12, and/or 19A-13 of the Montgomery County Code. In addition, the contractor must comply with the political contribution reporting requirements currently codified under the Election Law at Md. Code Ann., Title 14.

#### 13. GUARANTEE

- A. Contractor guarantees for one year from acceptance, or for a longer period that is otherwise expressly stated in the County's written solicitation, all goods, services, and construction offered, including those used in the course of providing the goods, services, and/or construction. This includes a guarantee that all products offered (or used in the installation of those products) carry a guarantee against any and all defects for a minimum period of one year from acceptance, or for a longer period stated in the County's written solicitation. The contractor must correct any and all defects in material and/or workmanship that may appear during the guarantee period, or any defects that occur within one (1) year of acceptance even if discovered more than one (1) year after acceptance, by repairing, (or replacing with new items or new materials, if necessary) any such defect at no cost to the County and to the County's satisfaction.
- B. Should a manufacturer's or service provider's warranty or guarantee exceed the requirements stated above, that guarantee or warranty will be the primary one used in the case of defect. Copies of manufacturer's or service provider's warranties must be provided upon request.
- C. All warranties and guarantees must be in effect from the date of acceptance by the County of the goods, services, or construction.
- D. The contractor guarantees that all work shall be accomplished in a workmanlike manner, and the contractor must observe and comply with all Federal, State, County and local laws, ordinances and regulations in providing the goods, and performing the services or construction.
- E. Goods and materials provided under this contract must be of first quality, latest model and of current manufacture, and must not be of such age or so deteriorated as to impair their usefulness or safety. Items that are used, rebuilt, or demonstrator models are unacceptable, unless specifically requested by the County in the Specifications.

#### 14. HAZARDOUS AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

Manufacturers and distributors are required by federal "Hazard Communication" provisions (29 CFR 1910.1200), and the Maryland "Access to Information About Hazardous and Toxic Substances" Law, to label each hazardous material or chemical container, and to provide Material Safety Data Sheets to the purchaser. The



contractor must comply with these laws and must provide the County with copies of all relevant documents, including Material Safety Data Sheets, prior to performance of work or contemporaneous with delivery of goods.

**15. HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT (HIPAA) COMPLIANCE**

In addition to the provisions stated above in Section 3. "Applicable Laws," contractor must comply with all requirements in the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), to the extent that HIPAA is applicable to this contract. Furthermore, contractor must enter into the County's standard Business Associate Agreement or Qualified Service Organization Agreement when contractor or the County, as part of this contract, may use or disclose to one another, to the individual whose health information is at issue, or to a third-party, any protected health information that is obtained from, provided to, made available to, or created by, or for, the contractor or the County.

**16. IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT**

The contractor warrants that both the contractor and its subcontractors do not, and shall not, hire, recruit or refer for a fee, for employment under this contract or any subcontract, an alien while knowing the alien is an unauthorized alien, or any individual without complying with the requirements of the federal Immigration and Nationality laws, including any verification and record keeping requirements. The contractor further assures the County that, in accordance with those laws, it does not, and will not, discriminate against an individual with respect to hiring, recruitment, or referral for a fee, of an individual for employment or the discharge of an individual from employment, because of the individual's national origin or, in the case of a citizen or prospective citizen, because of the individual's citizenship status.

**17. INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS**

Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary in any contract terms or conditions supplied by the contractor, this General Conditions of Contract document supersedes the contractor's terms and conditions, in the event of any inconsistency.

**18. INDEMNIFICATION**

The contractor is responsible for any loss, personal injury, death and any other damage (including incidental and consequential) that may be done or suffered by reason of the contractor's negligence or failure to perform any contractual obligations. The contractor must indemnify and save the County harmless from any loss, cost, damage and other expenses, including attorney's fees and litigation expenses, suffered or incurred due to the contractor's negligence or failure to perform any of its contractual obligations. If requested by the County, the contractor must defend the County in any action or suit brought against the County arising out of the contractor's negligence, errors, acts or omissions under this contract. The negligence of any agent, subcontractor or employee of the contractor is deemed to be the negligence of the contractor. For the purposes of this paragraph, County includes its boards, agencies, agents, officials and employees.

**19. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

The contractor is an independent contractor. The contractor and the contractor's employees or agents are not agents of the County.

**20. INSPECTIONS**

The County has the right to monitor, inspect and evaluate or test all supplies, goods, services, or construction called for by the contract at all reasonable places (including the contractor's place of business) and times (including the period of preparation or manufacture).

**21. INSURANCE**

Prior to contract execution by the County, the proposed awardee/contractor must obtain at its own cost and expense the minimum insurance specified in the applicable table (See Tables A and B) or attachment to these General Conditions, with one or more insurance company(s) licensed or qualified to do business in the State of Maryland and acceptable to the County's Division of Risk Management. The minimum limits of coverage listed shall not be construed as the maximum as required by contract or as a limitation of any potential liability on the part of the proposed awardee/contractor to the County, nor shall failure by the County to request evidence of this insurance in any way be construed as a waiver of proposed awardee/contractor's obligation to provide the insurance coverage specified. Contractor must keep this insurance in full force and effect during the term of this contract, including all extensions. Unless expressly provided otherwise, Table A is applicable to this contract. The insurance must be evidenced by one or more Certificate(s) of Insurance and, if requested by the County, the proposed awardee/contractor must provide a copy of any and all insurance policies to the County. At a minimum, the proposed awardee/contractor must submit to the Director, Office of Procurement, one or more Certificate(s) of Insurance prior to award of this contract, and prior to any contract modification extending the term of the contract, as evidence of compliance with this provision. The contractor's insurance must be primary. Montgomery County, MD, including its officials, employees, agents, boards, and agencies, must be named as an additional insured on all liability policies. Contractor must provide to the County at least 30 days written notice of a cancellation of, or a material change to, an insurance policy. In no event may the insurance coverage be less than that shown on the applicable table, attachment, or contract provision for required insurance. After consultation with the Department of Finance, Division of Risk Management, the Director, Office of Procurement, may waive the requirements of this section, in whole or in part.

Please disregard TABLE A. and TABLE B., if they are replaced by the insurance requirements as stated in an attachment to these General Conditions of Contract between County and Contractor.

TABLE A. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS  
(See Paragraph #21 under the General Conditions of Contract  
between County and Contractor)

CONTRACT DOLLAR VALUES (IN \$1,000's)

	Up to 50	Up to 100	Up to 1,000	Over 1,000
Workers Compensation (for contractors with employees)				
Bodily Injury by				
Accident (each)	100	100	100	See
Disease (policy limits)	500	500	500	Attachment
Disease (each employee)	100	100	100	
Commercial General Liability for bodily injury and property damage per occurrence, including contractual liability, premises and operations, and independent contractors	300 Attachment	500	1,000	See

Minimum Automobile Liability  
(including owned, hired and non  
owned automobiles)

Bodily Injury				
each person	100	250	500	See
each occurrence	300	500	1,000	Attachment
Property Damage				
each occurrence	300	300	300	
Professional Liability*	250	500	1,000	See
for errors, omissions				Attachment
and negligent acts, per				
claim and aggregate, with				
one year discovery period and				
maximum deductible of \$25,000				

Certificate Holder  
Montgomery County Maryland (Contract #)  
Office of Procurement  
255 Rockville Pike, Suite 180  
Rockville, Maryland 20850 4166

\*Professional services contracts only

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**TABLE B. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**  
 (See Paragraph #21 under the General Conditions of Contract  
 between County and Contractor)

	<u>Up to 50</u>	<u>Up to 100</u>	<u>Up to 1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
Commercial General Liability minimum combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage per occurrence, including contractual liability, premises and operations, independent contractors, and product liability	300	500	1,000	See Attachment

Certificate Holder  
 Montgomery County Maryland (Contract #)  
 Office of Procurement  
 255 Rockville Pike, Suite 180  
 Rockville, Maryland 20850 4166

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**22. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY APPROVAL AND INDEMNIFICATION - INFRINGEMENT**

If contractor will be preparing, displaying, publicly performing, reproducing, or otherwise using, in any manner or form, any information, document, or material that is subject to a copyright, trademark, patent, or other property or privacy right, then contractor must: obtain all necessary licenses, authorizations, and approvals related to its use; include the County in any approval, authorization, or license related to its use; and indemnify and hold harmless the County related to contractor's alleged infringing or otherwise improper or unauthorized use. Accordingly, the contractor must protect, indemnify, and hold harmless the County from and against all liabilities, actions, damages, claims, demands, judgments, losses, costs, expenses, suits, or actions, and attorneys' fees and the costs of the defense of the County, in any suit, including appeals, based upon or arising out of any allegation of infringement, violation, unauthorized use, or conversion of any patent, copyright, trademark or trade name, license, proprietary right, or other related property or privacy interest in connection with, or as a result of, this contract or the performance by the contractor of any of its activities or obligations under this contract.

**23. INFORMATION SECURITY**

**A. Protection of Personal Information by Government Agencies:**

In any contract under which Contractor is to perform services and the County may disclose to Contractor personal information about an individual, as defined by State law, Contractor must implement and maintain reasonable security procedures and practices that: (a) are appropriate to the nature of the personal information disclosed to the Contractor; and (b) are reasonably designed to help protect the personal information from unauthorized access, use, modification, disclosure, or destruction. Contractor's requirement to implement and maintain reasonable security practices and procedures must include requiring any third-party to whom it discloses personal information that was originally disclosed to Contractor by the County to also implement and maintain reasonable security practices and procedures related to protecting the personal information. Contractor must notify the County of a breach of the security of a system if the unauthorized acquisition of an individual's personal information has occurred or is reasonably likely to occur, and also must share with the County all information related to the breach. Contractor must provide the above notification to the County as soon as reasonably practicable after Contractor discovers or is notified of the breach of the security of a system. Md. Code Ann., State Gov't. § 10-1301 through 10-1308 (2013).

**B. Payment Card Industry Compliance:**

In any contract where the Contractor provides a system or service that involves processing credit card payments (a "Payment Solution"), the Payment Solution must be Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard Compliant ("PCI-DSS Compliant"), as determined and verified by the Department of Finance, and must (1) process credit card payments through the use of a Merchant ID ("MID") obtained by the County's Department of Finance by and in the name of the County as merchant of record, or (2) use a MID obtained by and in the name of the Contractor as merchant of record.

**24. NON-CONVICTION OF BRIBERY**

The contractor hereby declares and affirms that, to its best knowledge, none of its officers, directors, or partners or employees directly involved in obtaining contracts has been convicted of bribery, attempted bribery, or conspiracy to bribe under any federal, state, or local law.

**25. NON-DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT**

The contractor agrees to comply with the non-discrimination in employment policies and/ or provisions prohibiting unlawful employment practices in County contracts as required by Section 11B 33 and Section 27 19 of the Montgomery County Code, as well as all other applicable state and federal laws and regulations regarding employment discrimination.

The contractor assures the County that, in accordance with applicable law, it does not, and agrees that it will not, discriminate in any manner on the basis of race, color, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, age, sex, marital status, disability, or sexual orientation.

The contractor must bind its subcontractors to the provisions of this section.

**26. PAYMENT AUTHORITY**

No payment by the County may be made, or is due, under this contract, unless funds for the payment have been appropriated and encumbered by the County. Under no circumstances will the County pay the contractor for legal fees. The contractor must not proceed to perform any work (provide goods, services, or construction) prior to receiving written confirmation that the County has appropriated and encumbered funds for that work. If the contractor fails to obtain this verification from the Office of Procurement prior to performing work, the County has no obligation to pay the contractor for the work.

If this contract provides for an additional contract term for contractor performance beyond its initial term, continuation of contractor's performance under this contract beyond the initial term is contingent upon, and subject to, the appropriation of funds and encumbrance of those appropriated funds for payments under this contract. If funds are not appropriated and encumbered to support continued contractor performance in a subsequent fiscal period, contractor's performance must end without further notice from, or cost to, the County. The contractor acknowledges that the County Executive has no obligation to recommend, and the County Council has no obligation to appropriate, funds for this contract in subsequent fiscal years. Furthermore, the County has no obligation to encumber funds to this contract in subsequent fiscal years, even if appropriated funds may be available. Accordingly, for each subsequent contract term, the contractor must not undertake any performance under this contract until the contractor receives a purchase order or contract amendment from the County that authorizes the contractor to perform work for the next contract term.

**27. P-CARD OR SUA PAYMENT METHODS**

The County is expressly permitted to pay the vendor for any or all goods, services, or construction under the contract through either a procurement card ("p-card") or a Single Use Account ("SUA") method of payment, if the contractor accepts the noted payment method from any other person. In that event, the County reserves the right to pay any or all amounts due under the contract by using either a p-card (except when a purchase order is required) or a SUA method of payment, and the contractor must accept the County's p-card or a SUA method of payment, as applicable. Under this paragraph, contractor is prohibited from charging or requiring the County to pay any fee, charge, price, or other obligation for any reason related to or associated with the County's use of either a p-card or a SUA method of payment.

**28. PERSONAL PROPERTY**

All furniture, office equipment, equipment, vehicles, and other similar types of personal property specified in the contract, and purchased with funds provided under the contract, become the property of the County upon the end of the contract term, or upon termination or expiration of this contract, unless expressly stated otherwise.

**29. TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT**

The Director, Office of Procurement, may terminate the contract in whole or in part, and from time to time, whenever the Director, Office of Procurement, determines that the contractor is:

- (a) defaulting in performance or is not complying with any provision of this contract;
- (b) failing to make satisfactory progress in the prosecution of the contract; or
- (c) endangering the performance of this contract.

The Director, Office of Procurement, will provide the contractor with a written notice to cure the default. The termination for default is effective on the date specified in the County's written notice. However, if the County determines that default contributes to the curtailment of an essential service or poses an immediate threat to life, health, or property, the County may terminate the contract immediately upon issuing oral or written notice to the contractor without any prior notice or opportunity to cure. In addition to any other remedies provided by law or the contract, the contractor must compensate the County for additional costs that foreseeably would be

incurred by the County, whether the costs are actually incurred or not, to obtain substitute performance. A termination for default is a termination for convenience if the termination for default is later found to be without justification.

30. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

This contract may be terminated by the County, in whole or in part, upon written notice to the contractor, when the County determines this to be in its best interest. The termination for convenience is effective on the date specified in the County's written notice. Termination for convenience may entitle the contractor to payment for reasonable costs allocable to the contract for work or costs incurred by the contractor up to the date of termination. The contractor must not be paid compensation as a result of a termination for convenience that exceeds the amount encumbered to pay for work to be performed under the contract.

31. TIME

Time is of the essence.

32. WORK UNDER THE CONTRACT

Contractor must not commence work under this contract until all conditions for commencement are met, including execution of the contract by both parties, compliance with insurance requirements, encumbrance of funds, and issuance of any required notice to proceed.

33. WORKPLACE SAFETY

The contractor must ensure adequate health and safety training and/or certification, and must comply with applicable federal, state and local Occupational Safety and Health laws and regulations.

**THIS FORM MUST NOT BE MODIFIED WITHOUT THE PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY.**

**Requirements for Services Contract**  
**Addendum to The General Conditions of Contract Between County and Contractor**

- A. This contract is subject to the Wage Requirements Law, found at Section 11B-33A of the Montgomery County Code (“WRL” or “11B-33A”). A County contract for the procurement of services must require the contractor and any of its subcontractors to comply with the WRL, subject to the exceptions for particular contractors noted in 11B-33A (b) and for particular employees noted in 11B-33A (f).
- B. Conflicting requirements (11B-33A (h)): If any federal, state, or County law or regulation requires payment of a higher wage, that law or regulation controls. For an existing County Contract, if an applicable collective bargaining agreement (CBA) that existed prior to May 10, 2016, governs the parties, then that CBA controls. If the term of the CBA mentioned in the preceding sentence ends during the Contract, the WRL will then control.
- C. A nonprofit organization that is exempt from the WRL under 11B-33A (b)(3), must specify, in each bid or proposal, the wage the organization intends to pay to those employees who will perform direct, measurable work under the contract, and any health insurance coverage the organization intends to provide to those employees. Section 11B-33A (c)(2).
- D. A contractor must not split or subdivide a contract, pay an employee through a third party, or treat an employee as a subcontractor or independent contractor, to avoid the imposition of any requirement in 11B-33A. Section 11B-33A (c)(3).
- E. Each contractor and subcontractor covered under the WRL must: certify that it is aware of and will comply with the applicable wage requirements; keep and submit any records necessary to show compliance; and conspicuously post notices approved and/or supplied by the County, informing employees of the requirements in 11B-33A. Section 11B-33A (i).
- F. An employer must comply with the WRL during the initial term of the contract and all subsequent renewal periods, and must pay the adjusted wage rate increase required under 11B-33A (e)(2), if any, which is effective July 1 of each year. The County will adjust the wage rate by the annual average increase in the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers for the Washington-Baltimore metropolitan area, or successor index, for the previous calendar year and must calculate the adjustment to the nearest multiple of 5 cents. Section 11B-33A (e)(2).
- G. An employer must not discharge or otherwise retaliate against an employee for asserting any right, or filing a complaint of a violation, under the WRL. Section 11B-33A (i)(3).
- H. The sanctions under Section 11B-33 (b), which apply to noncompliance with nondiscrimination requirements, apply with equal force and scope to noncompliance with the wage requirements of the WRL. Section 11B-33A (i)(4).
- I. In the event of a breach of this contract as a result of a contractor’s or subcontractor’s violation of the WRL, the County may seek its available remedies, which include but are not limited to liquidated damages, withholding of payment, and recoupment of audit costs that are described below. The Contractor is jointly and severally liable for any noncompliance by a subcontractor. An aggrieved employee, as a third-party beneficiary, may, by civil action against the violating Contractor or subcontractor, enforce the payment of wages due under the WRL and recover from the Contractor or subcontractor any unpaid wages with interest, a

reasonable attorney's fee, and damages for any retaliation by the Contractor or subcontractor arising from the employee asserting any right, including filing a complaint under the WRL. Section 11B-33A (i)(5). Furthermore, the contractor expressly acknowledges that the County may assess liquidated damages against the Contractor in the event that it, as a covered employer, fails to pay the required wage, or violates the wage reporting or payroll records reporting requirement found at 11B-33A (g), including providing late or inaccurate payroll records.

(i) Liquidated Damages

The County may assess liquidated damages for any noncompliance by contractor or its subcontractor at the rate of 1% per day of the total contract amount, or the estimated annual contract value of a requirements contract, for each day of the violation. This liquidated damages amount in addition to the amount of any unpaid wages, with interest. The Contractor must pay to the County liquidated damages noted above, in addition to any other remedies available to the County. Contractor and County acknowledge that damages that would result to the County as a result of a breach under the WRL are difficult to reasonably ascertain, and that the liquidated damages provided for in this paragraph is a fair and reasonable estimate of damages the County would incur as a result of contractor's or subcontractor's violation of the WRL.

(ii) Withholding of Payment

If the Director determines that a provision of the WRL has been violated, the Director must issue a written decision, including imposing appropriate sanctions and assessing liquidated damages (as outlined above) and audit costs (as outlined below), and may withhold from payment due the contractor, pending a final decision, an amount sufficient to: (a) pay each employee of the contractor or subcontractor the full amount of wages due under the WRL; (b) reimburse the County for audit costs; and (c) satisfy a liability of a contractor or subcontractor for liquidated damages.

(iii) Audit Costs

If the County determines, as a result of a WRL audit, that the Contractor has violated requirements of the WRL, the Contractor must reimburse to the County the cost incurred by the County in conducting the audit. Section 11B-33A (i)(2)(C).

J. The County must conduct, and the contractor or subcontractor must comply with, random or regular audits to assure compliance with the WRL. Section 11B-33A (i)(2). The Director may conduct an on-site inspection(s) for the purpose of determining compliance. Some of the documents that may be required during an audit are listed on the Wage Requirements Law FAQ web page:  
<http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/PRO/DBRC/WRL.html>

K. The Contractor is in breach of this Contract if the Contractor fails to submit timely documentation demonstrating compliance with the WRL to the satisfaction of the Director, including: the Wage Requirements Law Payroll Report Form (PMMD-183), which is required to be submitted by the 14<sup>th</sup> day of the month following the end of each quarter (January, April, July, October); documents requested in conjunction with a random or regular audit by the County; or, documents otherwise requested by the Director. Section 11B-33A (g)(2).

If a contractor or subcontractor fails to submit, or is late in submitting, copies of any payroll record or other report required to be submitted under the WRL, the County may deem invoices unacceptable until the contractor or subcontractor provides the required records or reports, and may postpone processing payments due under the contract or under an agreement to finance the contract.

For any questions, please contact the Wage Requirements Law Program Manager at 240-777-9918 or [WRL@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:WRL@montgomerycountymd.gov).

**Wage Requirements Law Certification**

(Montgomery County Code, Section 11B-33A)

Business Name					
Address					
City		State		Zip Code	
Phone Number			Fax Number		
E-Mail Address					

Provide, in the spaces below, the contact name and information of the individual designated by your firm to monitor your compliance with the County’s Wage Requirements Law, unless exempt under Section 11B-33A (b) (see Section B. below):

Contact Name			Title	
Phone Number		Fax Number		
E-mail Address				

In the event that you, the “Offeror,” are awarded the contract and become a Contractor, please check  the box(es) below that apply, and leave all of the other boxes blank.

A. Wage Requirements Compliance

This Contractor, as a “covered employer”, must comply with the requirements under Montgomery County Code Section 11B-33A, “Wage Requirements” (“Wage Requirements Law” or “WRL”). Contractor and its subcontractors must pay all employees not exempt under the WRL, and who perform direct measurable work for the County, the required gross wage rate effective at the time the work is performed. For employees who are not paid an hourly wage, Contractor’s compliance with the WRL must be measured by dividing the amount paid to the employee each pay period by the number of hours worked by that employee during each pay period. A covered employer must not make any deduction for any item necessary for an employee to perform the essential job function unless the deduction is permitted by Executive Regulation. The offer price(s) submitted under this solicitation include(s) sufficient funds to meet the requirements of the WRL. A “covered employer” must submit, within 14 days after the end of each quarter (by the 14th of January, April, July, and October, for the quarter ending the preceding month), certified payroll records for each payroll period and for all employees of the contractor or a subcontractor performing services under the County contract governed by the WRL. The payroll records must contain a statement signed by the contractor or subcontractor certifying that the payroll records are correct and the wage rates paid are not less than those required by the WRL. These payroll records must include the following: name, address and telephone number of the contractor or subcontractor; the name and location of the job; and each employee’s name, current home address, daily straight time and overtime hours, total straight time and overtime hours for the payroll period, rate of pay, fringe benefits by type and amount, gross wages, race and gender of the employee, and the employer and the employee share of any health insurance premium provided to the employee. The Contractor must ensure that **NO** Social Security number of any person, other than the last four digits, is included on the quarterly report. A sample, blank Payroll Report Form, for your use and completion, can be found at: <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/PRO/DBRC/WRL.html> . The above must be submitted to the



Division of Business Relations and Compliance, Attn: Wage Requirements Law Program Manager  
(preferably via email to [WRL@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:WRL@montgomerycountymd.gov)),

Each Contractor must: keep payroll records covering work performed on a contract covered by the WRL for not less than 5 years after the work is completed; and, subject to reasonable notice, permit the County to inspect the payroll records at any reasonable time and as often as the County deems necessary. If the Contractor or subcontractor fails to submit, or is late in submitting, copies of any payroll record or other report required to be submitted under the WRL, the County may deem invoices unacceptable until the Contractor or subcontractor provides the required records or reports, and may postpone processing payments due under the contract or under an agreement to finance the contract. A violation of the WRL, including the late submission or non-submission of the information noted above, may result in action by the County, including: (a) withholding contract payments, reducing payment amounts, or otherwise assessing damages against Contractor, in an amount sufficient to: (i) pay each employee of the Contractor or subcontractor the full amount of wages due under the WRL; (ii) reimburse the County for audit costs; or (iii) satisfy a liability of a contractor or subcontractor for liquidated damages; (b) terminating the contract; or, (c) otherwise taking action to enforce the contract or the WRL. Violation of the WRL may also result in a finding of non-responsibility for a future contract, or may form the basis for debarment or suspension.

**B. Exemption Status (if applicable)**

This Contractor is exempt from Section 11B-33A, "Wage Requirements," because it is:

- 1. Reserved – [Intentionally left blank].
- 2. a contractor who, at the time a contract is signed, has received less than \$50,000 from the County in the most recent 12-month period, and will be entitled to receive less than \$50,000 from the County under that contract in the next 12-month period. Section 11B- 33A (b)(1).
- 3. a public entity. Section 11B-33A (b)(2).
- 4. a non-profit organization that has qualified for an exemption from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Section 11B-33A (b)(3) (**must also complete item C below**).
- 5. an employer expressly precluded from complying with the WRL by the terms of any federal or state law, contract, or grant. Section 11B-33A (b)(7) (**must specify the law, or furnish a copy of the contract or grant**).

**C. Nonprofit Wage & Health Information**

This Contractor is a non-profit organization that is exempt from coverage under Section 11B- 33A (b)(3). The contractor must provide proof of its 501(c)(3) status (i.e.

Letter from the IRS). Accordingly, the contractor has completed the 501(c)(3) Non-profit Organization's Employee's Wage and Health Insurance Form which is attached. See Section 11B-33A(c)(2). (**must also complete box B.4. above**)

- D. Sole Proprietorship  
 Sole Proprietorships are subject to the WRL. In order to be excused from the posting and reporting requirements of the WRL, the individual who is the sole proprietor must sign the certifications below in order to attest to the fact that the Sole Proprietorship:
- (1) is aware of, and will comply with, the WRL, as applicable;
  - (2) has no employee other than the sole proprietor; and
  - (3) will inform the Montgomery County Division of Business Relations and Compliance if the sole proprietor employs any worker other than the sole proprietor.
- Note: A schedule C from the employer’s federal tax return may be required for verification purposes.**

- E. Sub-Contractors  
 It is the prime contractor’s responsibility to ensure all of its subcontractors adhere to the WRL. All subcontractors are required to submit quarterly payroll reports. It is the prime contractor’s responsibility to collect these payroll reports and submit them to [wrl@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:wrl@montgomerycountymd.gov) on a quarterly basis.

I intend to use Sub-Contractors if I am awarded a contract as a result of this solicitation.

I do **NOT** intend to use Sub-Contractors if I am awarded a contract as a result of this solicitation. If at any time during the course of the contract I use Sub-Contractors, I understand that I am responsible for their quarterly payroll reporting.

- F. Independent Contractors

I intend to use Independent Contractors if I am awarded a contract as a result of this solicitation.

**If this box is checked, you must complete the Wage Requirements Law Independent Contractor Certification (PMMD193) in order for your bid/offer to be considered. It can be found at: <https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/PRO/Resources/Files/PMMD-193.pdf>**

I do **NOT** intend to use Independent Contractors if I am awarded a contract as a result of this solicitation. If at any time during the course of the contract I use Independent Contractors, I understand and agree that I must complete the Wage Requirements Law Independent Contractor Certification (PMMD193). See above link.

**Contractor Certification**

CONTRACTOR SIGNATURE: Contractor submits this certification form in accordance with Section 11B-33A of the Montgomery County Code. Contractor certifies that it, and any and all of its subcontractors that perform services under the resultant contract with the County, adhere to Section 11B-33A of the Montgomery County Code.

Authorized Signature		Title of Authorized Person	
Typed or Printed Name		Date	



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**ATTACHMENT D**

MINORITY BUSINESS PROGRAM & OFFEROR'S REPRESENTATION

It is the policy of the County to recruit actively, minority-owned businesses to provide goods and services to perform governmental functions pursuant to Section 11B-57 of the County Code. Minority-owned businesses are described in County law as Minority/Female/Disabled Person owned businesses (MFD). MFD businesses include certain non-profit entities organized to promote the interests of persons with a disability demonstrating (on a contract by contract basis) that at least 51% of the persons used by the non-profit entity to perform the services or manufacture the goods contracted for by the County, are persons with a disability. MFD firms also include those firms that are 51% owned, controlled and managed by one or more members of a socially or economically disadvantaged minority group, which include African Americans who are not of Hispanic origin, Hispanic Americans, Native Americans, Asian Americans, Women and Mentally or Physically Disabled Persons.

Section 7 - "Minority Contracting", Montgomery County Procurement Regulations specifies the procedure to be followed and will govern the evaluation of offers received pursuant to this solicitation. A copy of Section 7 of the Procurement Regulations is available upon request.

Prior to awarding contracts with a value of \$50,000 or more, a prospective Contractor must demonstrate that a minimum percentage of the overall contract value as set by the County, will be subcontracted to certified MFD businesses. A decision as to whether the prospective Contractor has demonstrated a good faith effort to meet this subcontracting requirement will be made by the Director, Office of Procurement, or his/her designee, who may waive this requirement.

A sample of the MFD Report of payment Received is attached. This form is mailed to the MFD Subcontractor to complete for documentation of payment by the Prime Contractor. It is not to be completed by the Prime Contractor nor submitted with the MFD Subcontractor Performance Plan.

The Director, Office of Procurement, or his /her designee determines whether a waiver of MFD subcontracting would be appropriate, under Section 7.3.3.5 of the Procurement Regulations.

For further information regarding the MFD Business Program, please contact the MFD Program Manager, Division of Business Relations and Compliance at (240) 777-9912.

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Offerors are encouraged (but not required) to complete the following:

I hereby represent that this is a Minority Business firm as indicated below (CIRCLE ONE):

AFRICAN AMERICAN	ASIAN AMERICAN	DISABLED PERSON
FEMALE	HISPANIC AMERICAN	NATIVE AMERICAN

Attach one of the following certification documents from: Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT); Federal SBA 8(a); MD/DC Minority Supplier Development Council, Women's Business Enterprise National Council; or City of Baltimore.

Montgomery County MFD Report of Payments Received For Office Use  
Office of Business Relations and Compliance

**SAMPLE ONLY!**

**NOT TO BE USED BY PRIME**



MFD Subcontractor Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Prime Contractor Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Location: \_\_\_\_\_

MFD Subcontract Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING

This certifies that for the month of \_\_\_\_\_, my company received \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for work performed, services rendered and/or materials supplied on the above contract.

TOTAL AMOUNT OF SUBMITTED INVOICES TO DATE: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL PAYMENTS RECEIVED TO DATE: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Are you experiencing any contract problems with the prime contractor and/or the project? YES  NO

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the above information is true and accurate to the best of my record documentation and knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(TYPED/PRINTED COMPANY NAME)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(TYPED/PRINTED NAME OF COMPANY OFFICIAL) (TITLE)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE OF COMPANY OFFICIAL) (DATE)

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TELEPHONE FAX E-MAIL

Return by: Email – [MFD@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:MFD@montgomerycountymd.gov) or FAX – 240-777-9952  
For assistance, contact the MFD Office at 240-777-9912

ATTACHMENT D

Minority-Owned Business Addendum to General Conditions of Contract Between County and Contractor

A. This contract is subject to the Montgomery County Code and the Montgomery County Procurement Regulations regarding participation in the Minority-Female-Disabled Person (MFD) procurement program.

B. Contractor must subcontract a percentage goals listed below of the total dollar value of the contract, including all modifications and renewals, to certified minority owned businesses. The MFD subcontracting goal may be waived under appropriate circumstances by submission of a letter to the Minority Business Program Manager. The letter must explain why a waiver is appropriate. The Director of the Office of Procurement or designee may waive, in whole or in part, the MFD subcontracting goal if the Director determines that a waiver is appropriate under Section 7.3.3.5 of the Montgomery County Procurement Regulations. In determining if a waiver should be granted, the Director may require the Contractor to submit additional information; the Director may require the Contractor to submit some or all of this information on forms approved by the Director.

For Goals by each purchasing category, please refer to [www.montgomerycountymd.gov/mfd](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/mfd)

C. The attached MFD Subcontractor Performance Plan, which must be approved by the Director, is an integral part of the contract between County and Contractor. In a multi-term contract, Contractor must submit a MFD Subcontract Performance Plan to be in effect for the life of the contract, including any renewal or modification.

D. Contractor must include in each subcontract with a minority owned business a provision that requires the use of binding arbitration with a neutral arbitrator to resolve disputes between the Contractor and the minority owned business subcontractor. This arbitration provision must describe how the cost of dispute resolution will be apportioned; the apportionment must not, in the judgment of the Director, attempt to penalize a minority owned business subcontractor for filing an arbitration claim.

E. County approval of the MFD Subcontractor Performance Plan does not create a contractual relationship between the County and the minority owned business subcontractor.

F. Contractor must notify and obtain prior written approval from the Director regarding any change in the MFD Subcontractor Performance Plan.

G. Before receiving final payment under this contract, Contractor must submit documentation showing compliance with the MFD Subcontracting Performance Plan. Documentation may include, at the direction of the Director, invoices, copies of subcontracts with minority owned businesses, cancelled checks, affidavits executed by minority owned business subcontractors, waivers, and arbitration decisions. The Director may require Contractor to submit periodic reports on a form approved by the Director. The Director may conduct an on-site inspection for the purpose of determining compliance with the MFD Subcontractor Performance Plan. If this is a multi-term contract, final payment means the final payment due for performance rendered for each term of the contract.

If the Contractor fails to submit documentation demonstrating compliance with the MFD Subcontractor Performance Plan, to the satisfaction of the Director, after considering relevant waivers and arbitration decisions, the Contractor is in breach of this contract. In the event of a breach of contract under this addendum, the Contractor must pay to the County liquidated damages equal to the difference between all amounts the Contractor has agreed under its Plan to pay minority owned business subcontractors and all amounts actually paid minority owned business subcontractors with appropriate credit given for any relevant waiver or arbitration decision. Contractor and County acknowledge that damages which would result to the County as a result of a breach under this addendum are difficult to ascertain, and that the liquidated damages provided for in this addendum are fair and reasonable in estimating the damage to the County of a breach of this addendum by Contractor. In addition, the County may terminate the contract. As the result of a breach under this addendum, The Director of the Office of Procurement must find the Contractor non-responsible for purposes of future procurement with the County for the ensuing three years.

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MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND  
MINORITY, FEMALE, DISABLED PERSON SUBCONTRACTOR  
PERFORMANCE PLAN

Contractor's

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACT NUMBER/PROJECT DESCRIPTION: \_\_\_\_\_

**A. Individual assigned by Contractor to ensure Contractor's compliance with MFD Subcontractor Performance Plan:**

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

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**B. This Plan covers the life of the contract from contract execution through the final contract expiration date.**

**C. The percentage of total contract dollars, including modifications and renewals, to be paid to all certified minority owned business subcontractors, is \_\_\_\_\_% of the total dollars awarded to Contractor.**

D. Each of the following certified minority owned businesses will be paid the percentage of total contract dollars indicated below as a subcontractor under the contract.

I hereby certify that the business(s) listed below are certified by one of the following: Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT); Federal SBA (8A); MD/DC Minority Supplier Development Council (MSDC); Women's Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC); or City of Baltimore.

A Certification Letter must be attached.

For assistance, call 240-777-9912.

1. Certified by: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle MFD Type:

#1114737

AFRICAN AMERICAN

ASIAN AMERICAN

DISABLED PERSON

FEMALE

HISPANIC AMERICAN

NATIVE AMERICAN

The percentage of total contract dollars to be paid to this subcontractor :

This subcontractor will provide the following goods and/or services:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Certified by:

Subcontractor Name:

Title:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone Number:

Fax Number:

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\_\_\_\_\_

E. The following language will be inserted in each subcontract with a certified minority owned business listed in D above, regarding the use of binding arbitration with a neutral arbitrator to resolve disputes with the minority owned business subcontractor; the language must describe how the costs of dispute resolution will be apportioned:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

F. Provide a statement below, or on a separate sheet, that summarizes maximum good faith efforts achieved, and/or the intent to increase minority participation throughout the life of the contract or the basis for a full waiver request.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

G. A full waiver request must be justified and attached.

Full Waiver Approved:

Partial Waiver Approved:

Date:

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
MFD Program Officer

\_\_\_\_\_  
MFD Program Officer

#1114737

Full Waiver Approved:

Partial Waiver Approved:

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Avinash Shetty  
Director  
Office of Procurement

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Director  
Office of Procurement

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The Contractor submits this MFD Subcontractor Performance Plan (Plan Modification No. \_\_\_\_\_) in accordance with the Minority Owned Business Addendum to General Conditions of Contract between County and Contractor.

CONTRACTOR SIGNATURE

USE ONE:

1. TYPE CONTRACTOR'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Typed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

2. TYPE CORPORATE CONTRACTOR'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Typed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

I hereby affirm that the above named person is a corporate officer or a designee empowered to sign contractual agreements for the corporation.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Typed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

APPROVED:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Avinash Shetty, Director, Office of Procurement

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Section 7.3.3.4(a) of the Procurement Regulations requires:

The Contractor must notify the Director, Office of Procurement of any proposed change to the Subcontractor Performance Plan.