## TIPS VENDOR AGREEMENT

SE Scher Corp DBA Acrobat Outsourcing

and

Between

(Company Name)

#### THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM (TIPS)

For

#### 170705 Staffing Services

#### **General Information**

The Vendor Agreement ("Agreement") made and entered into by and between The Interlocal Purchasing System (hereinafter referred to as "TIPS" respectfully) a government cooperative purchasing program authorized by the Region 8 Education Service Center, having its principal place of business at 4845 US Hwy 271 North, Pittsburg, Texas 75686. This Agreement consists of the provisions set forth below, including provisions of all Attachments referenced herein. In the event of a conflict between the provisions set forth below and those contained in any Attachment, the provisions set forth shall control.

The vendor Agreement shall include and incorporate by reference this Agreement, the terms and conditions, special terms and conditions, any agreed upon amendments, as well as all of the sections of the Solicitation (RFP, RCSP, RFQ) as posted, including any addenda and the awarded vendor's proposal. Once signed, if an awarded vendor's proposal varies or is unclear in any way from the TIPS Agreement, TIPS, at its sole discretion, will decide which provision will prevail. Other documents to be included are the awarded vendor's proposals, task orders, purchase orders and any adjustments which have been issued. If deviations are submitted to TIPS by the proposing vendor as provided by and within the solicitation process, this Agreement may be amended to incorporate any agreed deviations.

The following pages will constitute the Agreement between the successful vendors(s) and TIPS.

#### Definitions

**PURCHASE ORDER** is the TIPS Member's approval providing the authority to proceed with the negotiated delivery order under the Agreement. Special terms and conditions as agreed to between the vendor and TIPS Member should be added as addendums or deleted from the PO. Items such as certificate of insurance, bonding requirements, small or disadvantaged business goals are examples of possible addenda.

## **Terms and Conditions**

#### Freight

All quotes to Members shall provide a line item for cost for freight or shipping regardless if there is a charge or not. If no charge for freight or shipping, indicate by stating "No Charge" or "\$0" or other similar indication. Shipping, delivery or freight charges shall be passed through at cost to the TIPS Member.

#### **Warranty Conditions**

All supplies equipment and services shall include manufacturer's minimum standard warranty unless otherwise agreed to in writing with the TIPS Member. All equipment proposed shall be new unless clearly stated in writing to the TIPS Member.

#### **Customer Support**

The Vendor shall provide timely and accurate customer support to TIPS Members. Vendors shall respond to such requests within one (1) working day after receipt of the request. Vendor shall provide training regarding products and services supplied by the Vendor unless otherwise clearly stated in writing at the time of purchase. (Unless training is a line item sold or packaged and must be purchased with product.)

#### Agreements

**All Agreements and agreements** between Vendors and TIPS Members shall strictly adhere to the statutes that are set forth in the Uniform Commercial Code as most recently revised.

**Agreements for purchase** will normally be put into effect by means of a purchase order(s) or other similar document or contract executed by authorized agents of the purchasing TIPS Member.

#### Tax exempt status

A taxable item sold, leased, rented to, stored, used, or consumed by any of the following governmental entities is exempted from the taxes imposed by this chapter:(1) the United States; (2) an unincorporated instrumentality of the United States; (3) a corporation that is an agency or instrumentality of the United States and is wholly owned by the United States or by another corporation wholly owned by the United States;(4) the State of Texas; (5) a Texas county, city, special district, or other political subdivision; or (6) a state, or a governmental unit of a state that borders Texas, but only to the extent that the other state or governmental unit exempts or does not impose a tax on similar sales of items to this state or a political subdivision of this state. Texas Tax Code § 151.309.

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#### **Assignments of Agreements**

No assignment of Agreement may be made without the prior written approval of TIPS. Payment made by a TIPS Member can only be made to the awarded Vendor or vendor assigned dealer. **Disclosures** 

- 1. Vendor affirms that he/she has not given, offered to give, nor intends to give at any time hereafter any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor or service to a public servant in connection with this Agreement.
- 2. Vendor shall attach, in writing, a complete description of any and all relationships that might be considered a conflict of interest in doing business with TIPS under a TIPS Agreement.
- 3. The vendor affirms that, to the best of his/her knowledge, the offer has been arrived at independently, and is submitted without collusion with anyone to obtain information or gain any favoritism that would in any way limit competition or give an unfair advantage over other vendors in the award of this Agreement.

#### **Renewal of Agreements**

The Agreement with TIPS is for one (1) year with an option for renewal for additional consecutive years as provided in the related solicitation as specified on page one of this agreement. Total term of Agreement can be up to the number of years provided in the solicitation, if sales are reported through the Agreement and both parties agree.

#### Automatic Renewal Clauses Incorporated in Awarded Vendor Agreements with TIPS Members Resulting from the Solicitation and with the Vendor Named in this Agreement.

NO AGREEMENT FOR GOODS OR SERVICES WITH A TIPS MEMBER BY THE AWARDED VENDOR NAMED IN THIS AGREEMENT THAT RESULTS FROM THE SOLICITATION AWARD NAMED IN THIS AGREEMENT, MAY INCORPORATE AN AUTOMATIC RENEWAL CLAUSE WITH WHICH THE TIPS MEMBER MUST COMPLY. ALL RENEWAL TERMS INCORPORATED IN AN AGREEMENT BY THE VENDOR WITH THE TIPS MEMBER SHALL ONLY BE VALID AND ENFORCEABLE WHEN THE VENDOR RECEIVES WRITTEN CONFIRMATION BY PURCHASE ORDER OR EXECUTED AGREEMENT ISSUED BY THE TIPS MEMBER FOR ANY RENEWAL PERIOD. THE PURPOSE OF THIS CLAUSE IS TO AVOID A TIPS MEMBER INADVERTENTLY RENEWING AN AGREEMENT DURING A PERIOD IN WHICH THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE TIPS MEMBER HAS NOT PROPERLY APPROPRIATED AND BUDGETED THE FUNDS TO SATISFY THE AGREEMENT RENEWAL. THIS TERM IS NOT NEGOTIABLE AND ANY AGREEMENT BETWEEN A TIPS MEMBER AND A TIPS AWARDED VENDOR WITH AN AUTOMATIC RENEWAL CLAUSE THAT CONFLICTS WITH THESE TERMS IS RENDERED VOID AND UNENFORCEABLE AS TO THE AUTOMATIC RENEWAL CLAUSE.

#### Shipments

The Vendor shall ship ordered products within a commercially reasonable time after the receipt of the order. If a product cannot be shipped within that time, the Vendor shall notify TIPS and 3 of 11

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the TIPS Member as to why the product has not shipped and shall provide an estimated shipping date, if applicable. TIPS or the TIPS Member may cancel the order if estimated shipping time is not acceptable.

#### Invoices

The Vendor or vendor assigned dealer shall submit invoices, to the TIPS Member. Each invoice shall include the TIPS Member's purchase order number. The shipment tracking number or pertinent information for verification of TIPS Member receipt shall be made available upon request. The Vendor or vendor assigned dealer shall not invoice for partial shipments unless agreed to in writing in advance by TIPS or the TIPS Member.

#### Payments

The TIPS Member will make payments directly to the Vendor or vendor assigned dealer as agreed by the TIPS Member.

#### Pricing

The Vendor agrees to provide pricing to TIPS and TIPS Member entities that is at least equal to the lowest pricing available to like cooperative purchasing customers in like situations and the pricing shall remain so throughout the duration of the Agreement.

The Vendor agrees to promptly and proportionally lower the cost of any product purchased through TIPS following a reduction in the supplying manufacturer or publisher's direct cost to the Vendor. Price increases will be honored according to the terms of the solicitation. However, the Vendor shall honor previous prices for thirty (30) days after written notification to TIPS of an increase.

All pricing submitted to TIPS shall include the participation fee, as designated in the solicitation or as otherwise agreed in writing, to be remitted to TIPS by the Vendor. Vendor shall not show adding the fee to the invoice presented to TIPS Member customer. Failure to render the participation fee to TIPS shall constitute a breach of this agreement and shall be grounds for termination of this agreement and any other agreement held with TIPS.

#### **Participation Fees**

Vendor or vendor assigned dealer agrees to pay TIPS on a monthly scheduled report the participation fee for all Agreement sales to Tips Members utilizing a TIPS awarded contract. Vendor must login to the TIPS database and use the "Submission Report" section to report sales. The Vendor or vendor assigned dealers are responsible for keeping records of all sales that go through the TIPS Agreement. Failure to pay the participation fee will result in termination of Agreement. Please contact TIPS at tips@tips-usa.com or call (866) 839-8477 if you have questions about paying fees.

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#### Indemnity

- 1. Indemnity for Personality Agreements. Vendor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless and defend TIPS, TIPS Member(s), officers and employees, from and against all claims and suits for damages, injuries to persons (including death), property damages, losses, and expenses including court costs and attorney's fees, arising out of, or resulting from, Vendor's performance of this Agreement or sales made to TIPS Members under this agreement, including all such causes of action based upon common, constitutional, or statutory law, or based in whole or in part, upon allegations of negligent or intentional acts on the part of the Vendor, its officers, employees, agents, subcontractors, licensees, invitees, unless such claims are based in whole upon the negligent acts or omissions of the TIPS, TIPS Member(s), officers, employees, or agents. If based in part upon the negligent acts or omissions of the TIPS, TIPS Member(s), officers, employees, or agents, vendor shall be responsible for their proportional share of the claim.
- 2. Indemnity for Performance Agreements. The Vendor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless and defend TIPS, TIPS Member(s), officers and employees from and against all claims and suits for damages, injuries to persons (including death), property damages, losses, and expenses including court costs and attorney's fees, arising out of, or resulting from, Vendor's work under this Agreement, including all such causes of action based upon common, constitutional, or statutory law, or based in whole or in part, upon allegations of negligent or intentional acts on the part of the Vendor, its officers, employees, agents, subcontractors, licensees, or invitees, unless such claims are based in whole upon the negligent acts or omissions of the TIPS, TIPS Member(s), officers, employees, or agents. If based in part upon the negligent acts or omissions of the TIPS, TIPS Member(s), officers, employees, or agents. If based in part upon the negligent acts or omissions of the TIPS, TIPS Member(s), officers, employees, or ficers, employees, or agents. If based in part upon the negligent acts or omissions of the TIPS, TIPS Member(s), officers, employees, or agents. If based in part upon the negligent acts or omissions of the TIPS, TIPS Member(s), officers, employees, or agents, employees, or agents, Vendor shall be responsible for their proportional share of the claim.

#### State of Texas Franchise Tax

By signature hereon, the bidder hereby certifies that he/she is not currently delinquent in the payment of any franchise taxes owed the State of Texas under Chapter 171, Tax Code.

#### Miscellaneous

Nothing in the Agreement or in any other communication between TIPS and the Vendor may be construed as a guarantee that TIPS Members will submit any orders at any time. TIPS reserves the right to request additional proposals for items already on Agreement at any time.

#### **Purchase Order Pricing/Product Deviation**

If a deviation of agreed pricing/product on a purchase order form a TIPS Member pursuant to this Agreement occurs, TIPS shall be notified within 48 hours of receipt of order.

#### **Termination for Convenience**

TIPS reserves the right to terminate this agreement for cause or no cause for convenience with a thirty-day written notice. Termination for convenience is required under 2 CFR part 200. All purchase orders presented to the Vendor by a TIPS Member prior to the actual termination of this agreement shall be honored at the option of the TIPS Member.

#### **TIPS Member Purchasing Procedures**

Purchase orders or their equal are issued by participating TIPS Member to the awarded vendor indicating on the PO "TIPS Agreement Number". Order is emailed to TIPS at tipspo@tips-usa.com.

- Awarded vendor delivers goods/services directly to the participating Member.
- Awarded vendor invoices the participating TIPS Member directly.
- Awarded vendor receives payment directly from the participating Member.
- Awarded vendor reports sales monthly to TIPS (unless prior arrangements have been made with TIPS to report otherwise).

#### **Supplemental Agreements**

The TIPS Member and awarded vendor may enter into a separate supplemental agreement to further define the level of service requirements over and above the minimum defined in this Agreement i.e. invoice requirements, ordering requirements, specialized delivery, etc. Any supplemental agreement developed as a result of this Agreement is exclusively between the participating entity and awarded vendor. TIPS, its agents, TIPS Members and employees shall not be made party to any claim for breach of such agreement.

#### **INDEMNITY UNDER A SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT:**

ANY SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TIPS OR A TIPS MEMBER AND THE VENDOR THAT REQUIRES TIPS OR THE TIPS MEMBER TO INDEMNIFY ANY OTHER PARTY, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY THE APPLICABLE CONSTITUTION, LAWS OR REGULATIONS OF THE JURISDICTION OF THE LOCATION OF THE TIPS MEMBER OR THE LOCATION OF THE PERFOMANCE OF THE CONTRACT UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, IS NOT PERMITTED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT AND RENDERS THE INDEMNITY REQUIREMENT NULL AND VOID AS IT APPLIES TO TIPS OR THE TIPS MEMBER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO INDEMNIFY ANY PARTY.

#### Licenses

Awarded vendor shall maintain, in current status, all federal, state and local licenses, bonds and permits required for the operation of the business conducted by awarded vendor. Awarded vendor shall remain fully informed of and in compliance with all ordinances and regulations pertaining to the lawful provision of services under the Agreement. TIPS reserves the right to stop work and/or cancel Agreement of any awarded vendor whose license(s) expire, lapse, are suspended or terminated.

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#### Novation

If awarded vendor sells or transfers all assets or the entire portion of the assets used to perform this Agreement, a successor in interest must guarantee to perform all obligations under this Agreement. TIPS reserves the right to accept or reject assignment of this agreement. A simple change of name agreement will not change the Agreement obligations of awarded vendor.

#### Site Requirements (Only when applicable to service or job)

**Cleanup:** Awarded vendor shall clean up and remove all debris and rubbish resulting from their work as required or directed by TIPS Member. Upon completion of work, the premises shall be left in good repair and an orderly, neat, clean and unobstructed condition.

Preparation: Awarded vendor shall not begin a project for which TIPS Member has not prepared the site, unless awarded vendor does the preparation work at no cost, or until TIPS Member includes the cost of site preparation in a purchase order.

Site preparation includes, but is not limited to: moving furniture, installing wiring for networks or power, and similar pre-installation requirements.

**Registered sex offender restrictions:** For work to be performed at schools, awarded vendor agrees that no employee of a sub-contractor who has been adjudicated to be a registered sex offender will perform work at any time when students are or reasonably expected to be present. Awarded vendor agrees that a violation of this condition shall be considered a material breach and may result in the cancellation of the purchase order at the TIPS Member's discretion. Awarded vendor must identify any additional costs associated with compliance of this term. If no costs are specified, compliance with this term will be provided at no additional charge.

**Safety measures:** Awarded vendor shall take all reasonable precautions for the safety of employees on the worksite, and shall erect and properly maintain all necessary safeguards for protection of workers and the public. Awarded vendor shall post warning signs against all hazards created by the operation and work in progress. Proper precautions shall be taken pursuant to state law and standard practices to protect workers, general public and existing structures from injury or damage.

#### Smoking

Persons working under Agreement shall adhere to local smoking policies. Smoking will only be permitted in posted areas or off premises.

#### Invoices

The awarded vendor shall submit invoices to the TIPS Member clearly stating "Per TIPS Agreement". The shipment tracking number or other applicable pertinent information for verification shall be made available upon request.

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#### Marketing

Awarded vendor agrees to allow TIPS to use their name and logo within the TIPS website, marketing materials and advertisement. Any use of TIPS name and logo or any form of publicity, inclusive of press release, regarding this Agreement by awarded vendor must have prior approval from TIPS and approval of which, shall not be unreasonably withheld by TIPS.

#### **Survival Clause**

All applicable software license agreements, warranties or service agreements that were entered into between Vendor and Customer under the terms and conditions of the Agreement shall survive the expiration or termination of the Agreement. All Orders, Purchase Orders issued or contracts executed by TIPS or a TIPS Member and accepted by the Vendor prior to the expiration or termination of this agreement, shall survive expiration or termination of the Agreement, subject to previously agreed terms and conditions agreed by the parties or as otherwise specified herein relating to termination of this agreement.

#### Legal obligations

It is the responding vendor's responsibility to be aware of and comply with all local, state and federal laws governing the sale of products/services identified in this RFP and any awarded Agreement thereof. Applicable laws and regulations must be followed even if not specifically identified herein.

#### Audit rights

Awarded Vendor shall, at their sole expense, maintain appropriate due diligence of all purchases made by TIPS Member that utilizes this Agreement. TIPS and Region 8 ESC each reserve the right to audit the accounting for a period of three (3) years from the time such purchases are made. This audit right shall survive termination of this Agreement for a period of three (3) years from the effective date of termination. TIPS shall have authority to conduct random audits of Awarded Vendor's pricing that is offered to TIPS Members. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that TIPS is made aware of any pricing being offered to eligible entities that is materially inconsistent with the pricing under this agreement, TIPS shall have the ability to conduct the audit internally or may engage a third-party auditing firm. In the event of an audit, the requested materials shall be provided in the format and at the location designated by Region 8 ESC or TIPS. Tips shall bear the cost of such audit requested by TIPS, but all documents maintained by the vendor shall be produced and made available to TIPS or its agents at no cost.

#### Force Majeure

If by reason of Force Majeure, either party hereto shall be rendered unable wholly or in part to carry out its obligations under this Agreement then such party shall give notice and fully particulars of Force Majeure in writing to the other party within a reasonable time after occurrence of the event or cause relied upon, and the obligation of the party giving such notice, so far as it is affected by such Force Majeure, shall be suspended during the continuance of the

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#### Acceptance of work by TIPS Member

When a Vendor performs services for a TIPS Member, the TIPS Member will inspect the work for acceptance under the scope and terms in the PO. The TIPS Member will request any corrective actions that are required. Upon completion of these actions and not before, the TIPS Member will be obligated to compensate the Vendor as agreed.

#### **Support Requirements**

If there is a dispute between the awarded vendor and TIPS Member, TIPS or its representatives will assist in conflict resolution or third party (mandatory mediation), if requested by either party. TIPS, or its representatives, reserves the right to inspect any project and audit the awarded vendors TIPS project files, documentation and correspondence.

#### Incorporation of Solicitation

The TIPS Solicitation, Request for Proposals, Request for Qualifications or the Request for Competitive Sealed Proposals solicitation and all associated documents and forms made part of the solicitation process, including any addenda, that resulted in the execution of this agreement are hereby incorporated by reference into this agreement as if copied verbatim.

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## **Special Terms and Conditions**

It is the intent of TIPS to Agreement with a reliable, high performance vendor to supply products and services to government and educational agencies. It is the experience of TIPS that the following procedures provide TIPS, the Vendor, and the participating agency the necessary support to facilitate a mutually beneficial relationship. The specific procedures will be negotiated with the successful vendor.

- <u>Agreements</u>: All orders made by TIPS Members to the awarded vendor must be emailed to TIPS at tipspo@tips-usa.com. Should a TIPS Member send an order direct to vendor, it is the vendor's responsibility to forward the order to TIPS at the email above within three (3) business days and confirm its receipt with TIPS.
- **Promotion of Agreement**: It is agreed that Vendor will encourage all eligible entities to purchase from the TIPS Program. Encouraging entities to purchase directly from the Vendor and not through TIPS Agreement is a breach of this agreement terms and conditions and will result in termination and rescission of this agreement and removal of the Vendor from the TIPS Program.
- <u>Daily Order Confirmation</u>: All Agreement purchase orders will be approved daily by TIPS and sent to vendor. The vendor must confirm receipt of orders to the TIPS Member (customer) within two (2) business days.
- <u>Vendor custom website for TIPS</u>: If Vendor is hosting a custom TIPS Agreement catalog website, then any updated pricing must be posted by 1<sup>st</sup> of each month. Any increase in a "catalog" price, as defined herein, is not effective until it is published in the vendor's "catalog" as defined herein.
- <u>Back Ordered Products</u>: If product is not expected to ship within 3 business days, customer is to be notified within 24 hours of order receipt and appropriate action taken based on customer request.

Term of Agreement is one year with renewal options for up to two additional years as provided in the solicitation.

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## TIPS Vendor Agreement Signature Form

RFP 170705 Staffing Services

Company Name SE Scher Corp DBA Acr	obat Outsourcing
Address 665 3rd Street Suite 415	
City San Francisco	ate CA Zip 94107
Phone 832-683-6776 Fax 512-	879-6948
Email of Authorized Representative claudia@acrob	atoutsourcing.com
Name of Authorized Representative Claudia Mark	
Title Texas Business Development	Manager
Signature of Authorized Representative Claufe me	urk .
Date 8/14/17	
TIPS Authorized Representative Name Meredith Bartor	1
Title Vice-President of Operations	
TIPS Authorized Representative Signature	Barton
TIPS Authorized Representative Signature Approved by ESC Region 8 Awrd Wayne Fitts	
Date 9/24/17	

## The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS Cooperative) Supplier Response

	on	Contact Info	ormation	Ship to Information
Bid Creator Email Phone	Rick Powell General Counsel/Procurement Compliance Officer rick.powell@tips-usa.com (903) 575-2689	Address	Region 8 Education Service Center 4845 US Highway 271 North Pittsburg, TX 75686	Address Contact
Fax		Contact	Contracts Support	Department Building
Bid Number Title	170705 Staffing Services	Department Building	t	Floor/Room
Bid Type Issue Date	RFP 7/6/2017 08:03 AM (CT)	Floor/Room		Telephone Fax
Close Date	8/18/2017 03:00:00 PM (CT)	Telephone Fax Email	(866) 839-8477 (866) 839-8472 bids@tips-usa.com	Email
Supplier Infor	mation			
Company Address	Acrobat Outsourcing (Zacelle, 665 Third Street Suite 415 San francisco, CA 94107	LLC)		
Contact Department Building Floor/Room Telephone Fax	(415) 813-4836			
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Bid Notes				

Bid Messages

#### **Bid Attributes**

#	Name	Note	Response
1	Yes - No	Disadvantaged/Minority/Women Business Enterprise - D/M/WBE (Required by some participating governmental entities) Vendor certifies that their firm is a D/M/WBE? Vendor must upload proof of certification to the "Response Attachments" D/M/WBE CERTIFICATES section.	No
2	Yes - No	Historically Underutilized Business - HUB (Required by some participating governmental entities) Vendor certifies that their firm is a HUB as defined by the State of Texas at https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/ or in a HUBZone as defined by the US Small Business Administration at https://www.sba.gov/offices/headquarters/ohp Proof of one or both may be submitted. Vendor must upload proof of certification to the "Response Attachments" HUB CERTIFICATES section.	No
3	Yes - No	The Vendor can provide services and/or products to all 50 US States?	No
4	States Served:	If answer is NO to question #3, please list which states can be served. (Example: AR, OK, TX)	Texas, New Jersey, Iowa, California, Missouri, Florida, Georgia
5	Company and/or Product Description:	This information will appear on the TIPS website in the company profile section, if awarded a TIPS contract. (Limit 750 characters.)	Acrobat Outsourcing, the leading National Hospitality Staffing Firm, connects top talent with top companies every day. Our clients range from Fortune 500s to nonprofit organizations. No assignment is too big or small, and there is no such thing as last minute. Our years of experience and vast network allows us to find the right fit for thousands of job-seekers, and the right staffing solutions for hundreds of companies. By offering temporary, full-time, management level recruiting and executive searches along with payroll and insurance, we are a one-stop solution for both front and back-of-house event staffing and recruiting needs.
			vocabulary. We continue to raise the bar by adding more client services and expanding our reach to better serve our clients, empowering

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**Texas Business Development** Manager

with diverse community organizations to help make a

difference.

Claudia Mark

employees with new training and development opportunities to help them be their best, and partnering

8	Primary Contact Email	Primary Contact Email	claudia@acrobatoutsourcing.com
9	Primary Contact Phone	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	832-683-6776
10	Primary Contact Fax	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	(512) 879-6948
11	Primary Contact Mobile	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	832-683-6776
12	Secondary Contact Name	Secondary Contact Name	Marc Caplan
13	Secondary Contact Title	Secondary Contact Title	Vice President
14	Secondary Contact Email	Secondary Contact Email	Marc@acrobatoutsourcing.com
15	Secondary Contact Phone	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	858-869-4140
16	Secondary Contact Fax	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	(512) 879-6948
17	Secondary Contact Mobile	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	(858) 771-0831
18	Admin Fee Contact Name	Admin Fee Contact Name. This person is responsible for paying the admin fee to TIPS.	La Terra Francis
19	Admin Fee Contact Email	Admin Fee Contact Email	laterra@acrobatoutsourcing.com
20	Admin Fee Contact Phone	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	(415) 431-8826 ext 3003
21	Purchase Order Contact Name	Purchase Order Contact Name. This person is responsible for receiving Purchase Orders from TIPS.	Marc Caplan
22	Purchase Order Contact Email	Purchase Order Contact Email	Marc@acrobatoutsourcing.com
23	Purchase Order Contact Phone	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	858-869-4140
24	Company Website	Company Website (Format - www.company.com)	http://www.acrobatoutsourcing.com/
25	Federal ID Number:	Federal ID Number also known as the Employer Identification Number. (Format - 12-3456789)	20-2615856
26	Primary Address	Primary Address	665 3rd St Suite 415
27	Primary Address City	Primary Address City	San Francisco
28	Primary Address State	Primary Address State (2 Digit Abbreviation)	California
29	Primary Address Zip	Primary Address Zip	94107
30	Search Words:	Please list search words to be posted in the TIPS database about your company that TIPS website users might search. Words may be product names, manufacturers, or other words associated with the category of award. YOU MAY NOT LIST NON-CATEGORY ITEMS. (Limit 500 words) (Format: product, paper, construction, manufacturer name, etc.)	Staffing, recruiting, cooks, servers, dishwashers, bartenders,

31	Yes - No	Most of our members receive Federal Government grants and they make up a significant portion of their budgets. The members need to know if your company is willing to sell to them when they spend federal budget funds on their purchase. There are attributes that follow that are provisions from the federal regulations in 2 CFR part 200. Your answers will determine if your award will be designated as Federal or Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR)compliant. Is it your intent to be able to sell to our members regardless of the fund source, whether it be local, state or federal?	Yes
32	Yes - No	Certification of Residency (Required by the State of Texas) The vendor's ultimate parent company or majority owner:	Yes
		(A) has its principal place of business in Texas;	
		OR	
		(B) employs at least 500 persons in Texas?	
33	Company Residence (City)	Vendor's principal place of business is in the city of?	Dallas
34	Company Residence (State)	Vendor's principal place of business is in the state of?	Texas
35	Felony Conviction Notice:	(Required by the State of Texas) My firm is, as outlined on PAGE 5 in the Instructions to Bidders document: (Questions 36 - 37) Statutory citation covering notification of criminal history of contractor is found in the Texas Education Code #44.034. Following is an example of a felony conviction notice: State of Texas Legislative Senate Bill No. 1, Section 44.034, Notification of Criminal History, Subsection (a), states "a person or business entity that enters into a contract with a school district or ESC 8/TIPS must give advance notice to the district or ESC 8/TIPS if the person or an owner or operator of the business entity has been convicted of a felony. The notice must include a general description of the conduct resulting in the conviction of a felony." Subsection (b) states "a school district may terminate a contract with a person or business entity failed to give notice as required by Subsection (a) or misrepresented the conduct resulting in the conviction. The district must compensate the person or business entity for services performed before the termination of the contract."	(No Response Required)
36	Yes - No	A publicly held corporation; therefore, this reporting requirement is not applicable?	No
37	Yes - No	Is owned or operated by individual(s) who has/have been convicted of a felony?	No
38	If your firm is owned or operated by the following individual(s) who has/have been convicted of a felony:	Please provide details of the conviction. This is not necessarily a disqualifying factor and the details of the conviction determines the eligibility. Providing false or misleading information about the conviction is illegal.	
39	Pricing Information:	Pricing information section. (Questions 39 - 43)	(No Response Required)

40	Discount Offered	What is the MINIMUM percentage discount off of any item or service you offer to TIPS Members that is in your regular catalog (as defined in the RFP document), website, store or shelf pricing? This is a ceiling on your pricing and not a floor because, in order to be more competitive in the individual circumstance, you may offer a larger discount depending on the items or services purchased and the quantity at time of sale. Must answer with a number between 0% and 100%.	10%
41	TIPS administration fee	By submitting a proposal, I agree that all pricing submitted to TIPS shall include the participation fee, as designated in the solicitation or as otherwise agreed in writing and shall be remitted to TIPS by the Vendor as agreed in the Vendor agreement. I agree that the fee shall not and will not be added by the vendor as a separate line item on a TIPS member invoice, quote, proposal or any other written communications with the TIPS member.	(No Response Required)
42	Yes - No	Vendor agrees to remit to TIPS the required administration fee? TIPS/ESC Region 8 is required by Texas Government Code § 791 to be compensated for its work and thus, failure to agree shall render your response void and it will not be considered.	Yes
43	Yes - No	Do you offer additional discounts to TIPS members for large order quantities or large scope of work?	Yes
44	Start Time	Average start time after receipt of customer order is working days?	2
45	Years Experience	Company years experience in this category?	12
46	Resellers:	Does the vendor have resellers that it will name under this contract? Resellers are defined as other companies that sell your products under an agreement with you, the awarded vendor of TIPS. EXAMPLE: Walmart is a reseller of Samsung Electronics. If Samsung were a TIPS awarded vendor, then Samsung would list Walmart as a reseller. (If applicable, vendor should download the Reseller/Dealers spreadsheet from the Attachments section, fill out the form and submit the document in the "Response Attachments" RESELLERS section.	No
47	Prices are guaranteed for?	Vendor agrees to honor the pricing discount off regular catalog (as defined in the RFP document), website, store or shelf pricing for the term of the award?	YES
48	Right of Refusal	Does the proposing vendor wish to reserve the right not to perform under the awarded agreement with a TIPS member at vendor's discretion?	No

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By submission of this bid or proposal, the Bidder certifies (No Response Required) that:

1) This bid or proposal has been independently arrived at without collusion with any other Bidder or with any Competitor; 2) This bid or proposal has not been knowingly disclosed and will not be knowingly disclosed, prior to the opening of bids, or proposals for this project, to any other Bidder, Competitor or potential competitor: 3) No attempt has been or will be made to induce any other person, partnership or corporation to submit or not to submit a bid or proposal; 4) The person signing this bid or proposal certifies that he has fully informed himself regarding the accuracy of the statements contained in this certification, and under the penalties being applicable to the Bidder as well as to the person signing in its behalf. Not a negotiable term. Failure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered. CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE -If you have a conflict of interest as described in this form No FORM CIQ or the Local Government Code Chapter 176, cited thereinyou are required to complete and file with TIPS, Richard Powell, 4845 US Highway 271 North, Pittsburg, Texas 75686 You may find the Blank CIQ form on our website at: Copy and Paste the following link into a new browser or tab: https://www.tips-usa.com/assets/documents/docs/CIQ.pdf Do you have any conflicts under this statutory requirement? Filing of Form CIQ If yes (above), have you filed a form CIQ as directed here? No **Regulatory Standing** I certify to TIPS for the proposal attached that my Yes company is in good standing with all governmental agencies Federal or state that regulate any part of our business operations. If not, please explain in the next attribute question. **Regulatory Standing** Regulatory Standing explanation of no answer on previous question. Antitrust Certification Statements (Tex. By submission of this bid or proposal, the Bidder certifies (No Response Required) Government Code § 2155.005) that: I affirm under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of Texas that: (1) I am duly authorized to execute this contract on my own behalf or on behalf of the company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual (Company) listed below; (2) In connection with this bid, neither I nor any representative of the Company has violated any provision of the Texas Free Enterprise and Antitrust Act, Tex. Bus. & Comm. Code Chapter 15; (3) In connection with this bid, neither I nor any representative of the Company has violated any federal antitrust law; (4) Neither I nor any representative of the Company has directly or indirectly communicated any of the contents of this bid to a competitor of the Company or any other company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual

engaged in the same line of business as the Company.

Instructions for Certification:

1. By agreeing to the Attribute question #56, the vendor and prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out herein in accordance with these instructions.

2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification in addition to other remedies available to the federal government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and / or debarment.

3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

4. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered transaction," "participants," "person," "primary covered transaction," "principal," "proposal" and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.

5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this form that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.

6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this form that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction" without modification in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.

7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Nonprocurement List.

8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the federal government, the department or agency with which this

		transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and / or debarment.	
56	Suspension or Debarment Certification	Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689)—A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the governmentwide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.	Yes
		By submitting this offer and certifying this section, this bidder: Certifies that no suspension or debarment is in place, which would preclude receiving a federally funded contract as described above.	
57	Non-Discrimination Statement and Certification	In accordance with Federal civil rights law, all U.S. Departments, including the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity (including gender expression), sexual orientation, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retailation for prior civil rights activity, in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA (not all bases apply to all programs). Remedies and complaint filing deadlines vary by program or incident. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.) should contact the responsible Agency or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English. To file a program Discrimination complaint, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, AD-3027, found online at How to File a Program Discrimination Complaint and at any USDA office or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by: (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov. (Title VI of the Education Amendments of 1972; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975; Title 7 CFR Parts 15, 15a, and 15b; the Americans with Disabilities Act; and FNS Instruc	Yes

		proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered. I certify that in the performance of a contract with TIPS or its members, that our company will conform to the foregoing anti-discrimination statement and comply with the cited and all other applicable laws and regulations.	
58	2 CFR PART 200 Contract Provisions Explanation	Required Federal contract provisions of Federal Regulations for Contracts for contracts with ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members: The following provisions are required to be in place and agreed if the procurement is funded in any part with federal funds. The ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members are the subgrantee or Subrecipient by definition. Most of the provisions are located in 2 CFR PART 200 - Appendix II to Part 200—Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards at 2 CFR PART 200. Others are included within 2 CFR part 200 et al. In addition to other provisions required by the Federal agency or non-Federal entity, all contracts made by the non-Federal entity under the Federal award must contain provisions covering the following, as applicable.	(No Response Required)
59	2 CFR PART 200 Contracts	Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$150,000, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate. Notice: Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members reserves all rights and privileges under the applicable laws and regulations with respect to this procurement in the event of breach of contract by either party. Does vendor agree?	Yes
60	2 CFR PART 200 Termination	Termination for cause and for convenience by the grantee or subgrantee including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement. (All contracts in excess of \$10,000) Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members reserves the right to terminate any agreement in excess of \$10,000 resulting from this procurement process for cause after giving the vendor an appropriate opportunity and up to 30 days, to cure the causal breach of terms and conditions. ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members reserves the right to terminate any agreement in excess of \$10,000 resulting from this procurement process for convenience with 30 days notice in writing to the awarded vendor. The vendor would be compensated for work performed and goods procured as of the termination date if for convenience of the ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members. Any award under this procurement process is not exclusive and the ESC Region 8 and TIPS reserves the right to purchase goods and services from other vendors when it is in the best interest of the ESC Region 8 and TIPS. Does vendor agree?	Yes

		Pursuant to the Clean Air Act, et al above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members requires that the proposer certify that during the term of an award by the ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members resulting from this procurement process the vendor agrees to comply with all of the above regulations, including all of the terms listed and referenced therein. Does vendor agree?	
62	2 CFR PART 200 Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment	Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352)—Contractors that apply or bid for an award exceeding \$100,000 must file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award. Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members requires the proposer certify that during the term and during the life of any contract with ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members resulting from this procurement process the vendor certifies to the terms included or referenced herein. Does vendor agree?	Yes
63	2 CFR PART 200 Federal Rule	Compliance with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857(h)), section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR part 15). (Contracts, subcontracts, and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$100,000) Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members equires the proposer certify that in performance of the contracts, subcontracts, and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$100,000, the vendor will be in compliance with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857(h)), section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR part 15). Does vendor certify that it is in compliance with the Clean Air Act?	Yes

Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal

Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended—Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000 must contain a provision that requires the non-Federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). 64 2 CFR PART 200 Procurement of Recovered Materials

65 Indemnification

A non-Federal entity that is a state agency or agency of a yes political subdivision of a state and its contractors must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with

maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

Does vendor certify that it is in compliance with the Solid Waste Disposal Act as described above?

The ESC Region 8 and TIPS is a Texas Political Subdivision and a local governmental entity; therefore, is prohibited from Yes

indemnifying third parties pursuant to the Texas Constitution (Article 3, Section 52) except as specifically provided by law or as

ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction. A provision in a contract to indemnify or hold a party harmless is a promise to pay for

any expenses the indemnified party incurs, if a specified event occurs, such as breaching the terms of the contract or negligently

performing duties under the contract. Article III, Section 49 of the Texas Constitution states that "no debt shall be created by or on

behalf of the State ... " The Attorney General has counseled that a contractually imposed obligation of indemnity creates a "debt" in

the constitutional sense. Tex. Att'y Gen. Op. No. MW-475 (1982). Contract clauses which require the System or institutions to

indemnify must be deleted or qualified with "to the extent permitted by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Texas." Liquidated

damages, attorney's fees, waiver of vendor's liability, and waiver of statutes of limitations clauses should also be deleted or qualified

with "to the extent permitted by the Constitution and laws of State of Texas."

Not a negotiable term. Failure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered. Do you agree

to these terms?

66	Remedies	The parties shall be entitled to exercise any right or remedy available to it either at law or in equity, subject to the choice of law, venue and service of process clauses limitations agreed herein. Nothing in this agreement shall commit the TIPS to an arbitration resolution of any disagreement under any circumstances. Any Claim arising out of or related to the Contract, except for those specifically waived under the terms of the Contract, may, after denial of the Board of Directors, be subject to mediation at the request of either party. Any issues not resolved hereunder must be referred to non-binding mediation to be conducted by a mutually agreed upon mediator as a prerequisite to the filing of any lawsuit over such issue(s). The parties shall share the mediator's fee and any associated filing fee equally. Mediation shall be held in Camp or Titus County, Texas. Agreements reached in mediation shall be reduced to writing, and will be subject to the approval by the District's Board of Directors, and, if signed, shall thereafter be enforceable as provided by the laws of the State of Texas. Do you agree to these terms?	Yes, I Agree
67	Remedies Explanation of No Answer		
68	Choice of Law	This agreement and any addenda or other additions and all contracts or awards resulting from this procurement process, however described, shall be governed by, construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, regardless of any conflict of laws principles. Not a negotiable term. Failure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered. Do you agree to these terms?	Yes
69	Jurisdiction and Service of Process	Any Proceeding arising out of or relating to this procurement process or any contract issued by TIPS resulting from or any contemplated transaction shall be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction in Camp County, Texas and each of the parties irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of said court in any such proceeding, waives any objection it may now or hereafter have to venue or to convenience of forum, agrees that all claims in respect of the Proceeding shall be heard and determined only in any such court, and agrees not to bring any proceeding arising out of or relating to this procurement process or any contract resulting from or any contemplated transaction in any other court. The parties agree that either or both of them may file a copy of this paragraph with any court as written evidence of the knowing, voluntary and freely bargained for agreement between the parties irrevocably to waive any objections to venue or to convenience of forum. Process in any Proceeding referred to in the first sentence of this Section may be served on any party anywhere in the world. Venue clauses in contracts with TIPS members may be	Yes

		Not a negotiable term. Failure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered. Do you agree to these terms?	
70	Alternative Dispute Resolution	Prior to filing of litigation, the parties may select non-binding mediation as a method of conflict resolution for issues arising out of or relating to this procurement process or any contract resulting from or any contemplated transaction. The parties agree that if nonbinding mediation is chosen as a resolution process, the parties must agree to the chosen mediator(s) and that all mediation venue shall be at a location in Camp or Titus, County, Texas agreed by the parties. The parties agree to share equally the cost of the mediation process and venue cost. Do you agree to these terms?	Yes, I Agree
71	Alternative Dispute Resolution Explanation of No Answer		
72	Infringement(s)	The successful vendor will be expected to indemnify and hold harmless the TIPS and its employees, officers, agents, representatives, contractors, assignees and designees from any and all third party claims and judgments involving infringement of patent, copyright, trade secrets, trade or service marks, and any other intellectual or intangible property rights attributed to or claims based on the Vendor's proposal or Vendor's performance of contracts awarded and approved. Do you agree to these terms?	Yes, I Agree
73	Infringement(s) Explanation of No Answer		
74	Acts or Omissions	The successful vendor will be expected to indemnify and hold harmless the TIPS, its officers, employees, agents, representatives, contractors, assignees and designees from and against any and all liability, actions, claims, demands or suits, and all related costs, attorney's fees and expenses arising out of, or resulting from any acts or omissions of the vendor or its agents, employees, subcontractors, or suppliers in the execution or performance of any agreements ultimately made by TIPS and the vendor. Do you agree to these terms?	Yes, I Agree
75	Acts or Omissions Explanation of No Answer		
76	Contract Governance	Any contract made or entered into by the TIPS is subject to and is to be governed by Section 271.151 et seq, Tex Loc Gov't Code. Otherwise, TIPS does not waive its governmental immunities from suit or liability except to the extent expressly waived by other applicable laws in clear and unambiguous language.	Yes

78 Insurance and Fingerprint Requirements Information Payment Terms:

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

Funding Out Clause:

Vendor agrees to abide by the laws and regulations, including Texas Local Government Code § 271.903, or any statutory or regulatory limitations of the jurisdiction of any TIPS Member which governs contracts entered into by the Vendor and TIPS or a TIPS Member that requires all contracts approved by TIPS or a TIPS Member are subject to the budgeting and appropriation of currently available funds by the entity or its governing body. See statute(s) for specifics or consult your legal counsel. Not a negotiable term. Failure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered. Do you agree to these terms?

Insurance If applicable and your staff will be on TIPS member premises for delivery, training or installation etc. and/or with an automobile, you must carry automobile insurance as required by law. You may be asked to provide proof of insurance.

Fingerprint

It is possible that a vendor may be subject to Chapter 22 of the Texas Education Code. The Texas Education Code, Chapter 22, Section 22.0834. Statutory language may be found at: http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/ If the vendor has staff that meet both of these criterion:

(1) will have continuing duties related to the contracted services; and

(2) has or will have direct contact with students Then you have "covered" employees for purposes of completing the attached form.

TIPS recommends all vendors consult their legal counsel for guidance in compliance with this law. If you have questions on how to comply, see below. If you have questions on compliance with this code section, contact the Texas Department of Public Safety Non-Criminal Justice Unit, Access and Dissemination Bureau, FAST-FACT at

NCJU@txdps.state.tx.us and you should send an email identifying you as a contractor to a Texas Independent School District or ESC Region 8 and TIPS. Texas DPS phone number is (512) 424-2474.

See form in the next attribute to complete entitled: Texas Education Code Chapter 22 Contractor Certification for Contractor Employees

#### (No Response Required)

Yes

79 Texas Education Code Chapter 22 Contractor Certification for Contractor Employees Introduction: Texas Education Code Chapter 22 requires entities that contract with school districts to provide services to obtain criminal history record information regarding covered employees. Contractors must certify to the district that they have complied. Covered employees with disqualifying criminal histories are prohibited from serving at a school district. Definitions: Covered employees: Employees of a

contractor or subcontractor who have or will have continuing duties related to the service to be performed at the District and have or will have direct contact with students. The District will be the final arbiter of what constitutes direct contact with students. Disqualifying criminal history: Any conviction or other criminal history information designated by the District, or one of the following offenses, if at the time of the offense, the victim was under 18 or enrolled in a public school: (a) a felony offense under Title 5, Texas Penal Code; (b) an offense for which a defendant is required to register as a sex offender under Chapter 62, Texas Code of Criminal

a sex offender under Chapter 62, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure; or (c) an equivalent offense under federal law or the laws of another state.

I certify that:

NONE (Section A) of the employees of Contractor and any subcontractors are covered employees, as defined above. If this box is checked, I further certify that Contractor has taken precautions or imposed conditions to ensure that the employees of Contractor and any subcontractor will not become covered employees. Contractor will maintain these precautions or conditions throughout the time the contracted services are provided.

OR

SOME (Section B) or all of the employees of Contractor and any subcontractor are covered employees. If this box is checked, I further certify that:

(1) Contractor has obtained all required criminal history record information regarding its covered employees. None of the covered employees has a disqualifying criminal history.

(2) If Contractor receives information that a covered employee subsequently has a reported criminal history, Contractor will immediately remove the covered employee from contract duties and notify the District in writing within 3 business days.

(3) Upon request, Contractor will provide the District with the name and any other requested information of covered employees so that the District may obtain criminal history record information on the covered employees.

(4) If the District objects to the assignment of a covered employee on the basis of the covered employee's criminal history record information, Contractor agrees to discontinue using that covered employee to provide services at the District.

Noncompliance or misrepresentation regarding this certification may be grounds for contract termination.

80 Solicitation Deviation/Compliance

Does the vendor agree with the General Conditions Standard Terms and Conditions or Item Specifications listed in this proposal invitation? Some

Yes

81	Solicitation Exceptions/Deviations Explanation	If the bidder intends to deviate from the General Conditions Standard Terms and Conditions or Item Specifications listed in this proposal invitation, all such deviations must be listed on this attribute, with complete and detailed conditions and information included or attached. TIPS will consider any deviations in its proposal award decisions, and TIPS reserves the right to accept or reject any bid based upon any deviations indicated below or in any attachments or inclusions. In the absence of any deviation entry on this attribute, the proposer assures TIPS of their full compliance with the Standard Terms and Conditions, Item Specifications, and all other information contained in this Solicitation.	
82	Agreement Deviation/Compliance	Does the vendor agree with the language in the Vendor Agreement?	Yes
83	Agreement Exceptions/Deviations Explanation	If the proposing Vendor desires to deviate form the Vendor Agreement language, all such deviations must be listed on this attribute, with complete and detailed conditions and information included. TIPS will consider any deviations in its proposal award decisions, and TIPS reserves the right to accept or reject any proposal based upon any deviations indicated below. In the absence of any deviation entry on this attribute, the proposer assures TIPS of their full compliance with the Vendor Agreement.	

Response Total:

#### REFERENCES

Please provide three (3) references, preferably from school districts or other governmental entities who have used your services within the last three years. Additional references may be required. <u>DO NOT INCLUDE TIPS EMPLOYEES AS A REFERENCE.</u>

You may provide more than three (3) references.

Entity Name	Contact Person	Email	Phone
Lewisville ISD	Dan Boling	bolingd@lisd.net	469-446-0651
JP Morgan Chase	Brooke Glenn	glenn-jacqueline@aramark.com	469-477-8009
Desoto ISD	Joseph Elvin	joseph.elvin@compass-usa	214-646-7401

#### RFP 170705 Staffing Services

#### **Certification Regarding Lobbying**

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

Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction and is imposed by section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of a Federal contract, the making of a Federal grant, the making of a Federal loan, the entering into a cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or mcdification of a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Stan dard Form-LLL, "disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all covered subawards exceeding \$100,000 in Federal funds at all appropriate tiers and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

SE Scher Corp DBA Acrobat Outsourcing

665 3rd St Suite 415 San Francisco CA 94107

Name/Address of Organization

Texas Business Development Manager

Name/Title of Submitting Official

Signature

8/15/17

Date

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#### FELONY CONVICTION NOTICE

#### FOR RESPONSE TO TIPS SOLICITATION

Statutory citation covering notification of criminal history of contractor is found in the Texas Education Code #44.034. Following is an example of a felony conviction notice:

State of Texas Legislative Senate Bill No. 1, Section 44.034, Notification of Criminal History, Subsection (a), states "a person or business entity that enters into a contract with a school district must give advance notice to the district if the person or an owner or operator of the bus ness entity has been convicted of a felony. The notice must include a general description of the conduct resulting in the conviction of a felony." Subsection (b) states "a school district may terminate a contract with a person or business entity if the district determines that the person or business entity failed to give notice as required by Subsection (a) or misrepresented the conduct resulting in the conviction. The district must compensate the person or business entity for services performed before the termination of the contract."

THIS NOTICE IS NOT REQUIRED OF A PUBLICLY-HELD CORPORATION

## Complete only one of the three below: A or B or C.

I, the undersigned agent for the firm named below, certify that the information concerning notification of felony convictions has been reviewed by me and the following information furnished is true to the best of my knowledge.

Official:

Acrobat Outsourcing

Print Authorized Company Official's Name

A. My firm is a publicly held corporation; therefore, this reporting requirement is not applicable.

Signature of Authorized Company Official:

#### OR

B. My firm is not owned nor operated by anyone who has been convicted of a felony:

Signature of Authorized Company Official: Clarken Mart

#### OR

C. My firm is owned or operated by the following individual(s) who has/have been convicted of a felony:

Name of Felon(s):

Details of Conviction(s): \_\_\_\_\_\_ You may attach anther sheet Signature of Authorized Company Official: \_\_\_\_\_\_

#### **CERTIFICATION BY CORPORATE OFFERER**

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#### **IF OFFERER IS A CORPORATION**,

THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATE SHOULD BE EXECUTED AND INCLUDED AS PART OF PROPOSAL FORM/PROPOSAL FORM.

## OFFERER: SE Scher Corp DBA Acrobat Outsourcing

(Name of Corporation)

(Name of Corporate Secretary) certify that I am the Secretary of the Corporation

named as OFFERER herein above; that

Claudia Mark

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(Name of person who completed proposal document)

who signed the foregoing proposal on behalf of the corporation offerer is the authorized person that is acting as

Texas Business Development Manager

(Title/Position of person signing proposal/offer document within the corporation)

of the said Corporation; that said proposal/offer was duly signed for and in behalf of said corporation by authority of its governing body, and is within the scope of its corporate powers.

CORPORATE SEAL if available

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#### RFP 170705 Staffing Services

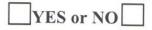
#### <u>Federal Requirements for Procurement and Contracting with small and minority</u> <u>businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms.</u>

The Education Service Center Region 8 and TIPS anticipate possibly using federal funds for procurement under this potential award and is required to obtain the following compliar ce assurance.

1. Will you be subcontracting any of your work under this award if you are successful? (Circle one)

YES or NO

2. If yes, do you agree to comply with the following federal requirements? (Circle one)



2 CFR §200.321 Contracting with small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms.

(a) The non-Federal entity must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.

(b) Affirmative steps must include:

(1) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;

(2) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;

(3) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into

smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;

(4) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;

(5) Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business

Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce ; and (6) Requiring the prime contractor, if subcontracts are to be let, to take the affirmative steps listed in paragraphs (1) through (5) of this section.

Company Name SE Scher Corp DBA Acrobat Outsourcing
Print name of authorized representative Claudia Mark
Signature of authorized representative Charden Mark Date 8/11/17

#### FAILURE TO PROPERLY COMPLETE THIS FORM AND SUBMIT WITH YOUR RESPONSE MAY RESULT IN A WAIVER OF YOUR RIGHTS UNDER THE LAW TO MAINTAIN CONFIDENTIALITY TREATMENT OF SUBMITTED MATERIALS.

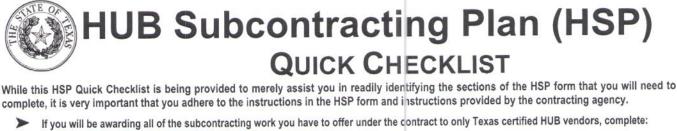
#### CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT REQUESTS OF EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER REGION 8 AND TIPS IS GOVERNED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAPTER 552

If you consider any portion of your proposal to be confidential information and not subject to public disclosure pursuant to Chapter 552 Tex Gov't Code or other law(s), you must make a copy of all claimed confidential materials within your proposal and put this COMPLETED form as a cover sheet to said materials then scan, name "CONFIDENTIAL" and upload with your proposal submission. (You must include the confidential information in the submitted proposal as well, the copy uploaded is to indicate which material in your proposal, if any, you deem confidential in the event the District receives a Public Information Request.) Education Service Center Region 8 and TIPS will follow procedures of controlling statute(s) regarding any claim of confidentiality and shall not be liable for any release of information required by law. Pricing of solicited product or service may be deemed as public information under Chapter 552 Tex Gov't Code. The Office of Texas Attorney General shall make the final determination whether the information held by Education Service Center Region 8 and TIPS is confidential and exempt from public disclosure.

I DO NOT desire to expressly waive any claim of confidentiality as to any and all information contained within our response to the competitive procurement process (e.g. RFP, CSP, Bid, RFQ, etc.) by completing the following and submitting this sheet with our response to Education Service Center Region 8 and TIPS. The attached contains material from our proposal that I classify and deem confidential under Texas Gov't Code Sec. 552 or other law(s) and I invoke my statutory rights to confidential treatment of the enclosed materials:

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>	If you will be awarding all of the subcontracting work you have to offer under the contract to only Texas certified HUB vendors, complete:
	Section 1 - Respondent and Requisition Information
	Section 2 a Yes, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract
	Section 2 b List all the portions of work you will subcontract, and indicate the percentage of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUB vendors
	Section 2 c Yes
	Section 4 - Affirmation
	GFE Method A (Attachment A) - Complete an Attachment A for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in Section 2 b.
>	If you will be subcontracting any portion of the contract to Texas certified HUB vendors and Non-HUB vendors, and the aggregate percentage of all the subcontracting work you will be awarding to the Texas certified HUB vendors with which you have a <u>continuous</u> <u>contract</u> in place for five (5) years or less <u>meets or exceeds</u> the HUB Goal the contracting agency identified in the "Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements", complete:
	Section 1 - Respondent and Requisition Information
	Section 2 a Yes, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract
	Section 2 b List all the portions of work you will subcontract, and indicate the percentage of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUB
	vendors and Non-HUB venders
	Section 2 c No
	Section 2 d Yes
_	Section 4 - Affirmation
	GFE Method A (Attachment A) - Complete an Attachment A for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in Section 2 b.
>	If you will be subcontracting any portion of the contract to Texas certified HUB vendors and Non-HUB vendors or only to Non-HUB vendors, and the aggregate percentage of all the subcontracting work you will be awarding to the Texas certified HUB vendors with which you have a <u>continuous contract</u> in place for five (5) years or less <u>cloes not meet or exceed</u> the HUB Goal the contracting agency identified in the "Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements", complete:
	Section 1 - Respondent and Requisition Information
	Section 2 a Yes, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract
	Section 2 b List all the portions of work you will subcontract, and indicated the percentage of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUB vendors
	and Non-HUB vendors
	Section 2 c No
	Section 2 d No
	Section 4 - Affirmation
	GFE Method B (Attachment B) - Complete an Attachment B for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in Section 2 b.
>	If you will not be subcontracting any portion of the contract and will be fulfilling the entire contract with your own resources, complete:
	Section 1 - Respondent and Requisition Information
	Section 2 a No, I will not be subcontracting any portion of the contract, and I will be fulfilling the entire contract with my own resources
	Section 3 - Self Performing Justification
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In accordance with Texas Gov't Code §2161.252, the contracting agency has determined that subcontracting opportunities are probable under this contract. Therefore, all respondents, including State of Texas certified Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) must complete and submit this State of Texas HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP) with their response to the bid requisition (solicitation).

## NOTE: Responses that do not include a completed HSP shall be rejected pursuant to Texas Gov't Code §2161.252(b).

The HUB Program promotes equal business opportunities for economically disadvantaged persons to contract with the State of Texas in accordance with the goals specified in the 2009 State of Texas Disparity Study. The statewide HUB goals defined in 34 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §20.13 are:

- 11.2 percent for heavy construction other than building contracts,
- 21.1 percent for all building construction, including general contractors and operative builders' contracts,
- 32.9 percent for all special trade construction contracts,
- 23.7 percent for professional services contracts,
- 26.0 percent for all other services contracts, and
- 21.1 percent for commodities contracts.

## - - Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements - -

In accordance with 34 TAC §20.14(d)(1)(D)(iii), a respondent (prime contractor) may demonstrate good faith effort to utilize Texas certified HUBs for its subcontracting opportunities if the total value of the respondent's subcontracts with Texas certified HUBs meets or exceeds the statewide HUB goal or the agency specific HUB goal, whichever is higher. When a respondent uses this method to demonstrate good faith effort, the respondent must identify the HUBs with which it will subcontract. If using existing contracts with Texas certified HUBs to satisfy this requirement, only contracts that have been in place for five years or less shall qualify for meeting the HUB goal. This limitation is designed to encourage vendor rotation as recommended by the 2009 Texas Disparity Study.

SEC	TION-1: RESPON	DENT AND REQUISITION INFORM		
		pany) Name: SE Scher Corp DBA Acrobat Outsourcing		exas VID #: 20-2615856
100	Point of Contact:	Claudia Mark		832-683-6776
	E-mail Address:	Claudia@acrobatoutsourcing.com	Fax #:	512-879-6948
b. c.	Is your company a Requisition #:	a State of Texas certified HUB? □ - Yes ☑ - No 70705	Bid Open	Date: 8/18/17

Enter your company's name here: SE Scher Corp DBA Acrobat Outsourcing

Requisition #: 170705

#### SECTION-2: SUBCONTRACTING INTENTIONS RESPONDENT

After dividing the contract work into reasonable lots or portions to the extent consistent with prudent industry practices, and taking into consideration the scope of work to be performed under the proposed contract, including all potential subcontracting opportunities, the respondent must determine what portions of work, including goods and services, will be subcontracted. Note: In accordance with 34 TAC §20.11., ar "Subcontractor" means a person who contracts with a prime contract to work, to supply commodities, or to contribute toward completing work for a governmental entity.

a. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that identifies your subcontracting intentions:

- Yes, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract. (If Yes, complete Item b, of this SECT ON and continue to Item c of this SECTION.)
- No, I will not be subcontracting any portion of the contract, and I will be fulfilling the entire contract with my own resources. (If No, continue to SECTION 3 and SECTION 4.)
- b. List all the portions of work (subcontracting opportunities) you will subcontract. Also, based on the total value of the contract, identify the percentages of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUBs, and the percentage of the contract you expect to award to vendors that are not a Texas certified HUB (i.e., Non-HUB).

			HL	IBs	Non-HUBs
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	Aggregate percentages of the contract expected to be subcontracted:	%		%	%

(Note: If you have more than fifteen subcontracting opportunities, a continuation sheet is available online at <a href="http://window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-subcontracting-plan/">http://window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-subcontracting-plan/</a>).

- c. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether you will be using only Texas certified HUBs to perform all of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2. Item b.
  - Yes (If Yes, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort Method A (Attact ment A)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)
     No (If No, continue to Item d, of this SECTION.)
- d. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether the aggregate expected percentage of the contract you will subcontract <u>with Texas certified</u> HUBs with which you have a <u>continuous contract</u><sup>\*</sup> in place with for five (5) years or less meets or exceeds the HUB goal the contracting agency identified on page 1 in the "<u>Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements</u>".
  - Yes (If Yes, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort Method A (Attachment A)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)
  - No (If No, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort Method B (Attachment B)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)

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## Enter your company's name here: SE Scher Corp DBA Acrobat Outsourcing

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#### SECTION-2: SUBCONTRACTING INTENTIONS RESPONDENT (CONTINUATION SHEET)

a. This page can be used as a continuation sheet to the HSP Form's page 2, Section 2, Item b. Continue listing the portions of work (subcontracting opportunities) you will subcontract. Also, based on the total value of the contract, identify the percentages of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUBs, and the percentage of the contract you expect to award to vendors that are not a Texas certified HUB (i.e., Non-HUB).

			HU	Bs	Non-HUBs	
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SECTION-3: SELF PERFORMING JUSTIFICATION (If you responded "No "to SECTION 2, Item a, you must complete this SECTION and continue to SECTION 4)

Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether your response/proposal contains an explanation demonstrating how your company will fulfill the entire contract with its own resources.

- Yes (If Yes, in the space provided below list the specific page(s)/section(s) of your proposal which explains how your company will perform the entire contract with its own equipment, supplies, materials and/or employees.)
- Image: No (If No, in the space provided below explain how your company will perform the entire contract with its own equipment, supplies, materials and/ or employees.)

Acrobat Outsourcing intends to perform the entire contract with our own employees, supplies, materials, and equipment. Our employees are hand-picked by our local offices in specialities that suit our clients needs. Background Checks, skills tests, and full orientations are given to our employees prior to placement at no additional cost. We take pride in producing the best possible candidate that our clients need. Our Acrobats arrive on site, prepared and on time. Should an Acrobat forget to bring supplies or materials needed for an event, items will be provided at check-in to ensure all candidates are fully dressed and prepared to serve you.

#### SECTION-4: AFFIRMATION

As evidenced by my signature below, I affirm that I am an authorized representative of the respondent listed in SECTION 1, and that the information and supporting documentation submitted with the HSP is true and correct. Respondent understands and agrees that <u>if awarded any portion of the requisition</u>:

- The respondent will provide notice as soon as practical to all the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor for the awarded contract. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity they (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarde1.
- The respondent must submit monthly compliance reports (Prime Contractor Progress Assessment Report PAR) to the contracting agency, verifying its compliance with the HSP, including the use of and expenditures made to its subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs). (The PAR is available at <a href="http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-forms/progressassessmentrpt.xls">http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-forms/progressassessmentrpt.xls</a>).
- The respondent must seek approval from the contracting agency prior to making any modifications to its HSP, including the hiring of additional or different subcontractors and the termination of a subcontractor the respondent identified in its HSP. If the HSP is modified without the contracting agency's prior approval, respondent may be subject to any and all enforcement remedies available under the contract or otherwise available by law, up to and including debarment from all state contracting.
- The respondent must, upon request, allow the contracting agency to perform on-site reviews of the company's headquarters and/or work-site where services
  are being performed and must provide documentation regarding staffing and other resources.

Signature

Printed Name

Claudia Mark

- 8/14/17 Date

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#### **Reminder:**

- If you responded "Yes" to SECTION 2, Items c or d, you must complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort Method A (Attachment A)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.
- If you responded "No" SECTION 2, Items c and d, you must complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort Method B (Attachment B)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.

## HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)

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Enter your company's name here:	SE Scher Corp DBA Acrobat Outsourcing	Requisition #:	170705
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**IMPORTANT:** If you responded "Yes" to SECTION 2, Items c or d of the completed HSP form, you must submit a completed "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for <u>each</u> of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b of the completed HSP form. You may photo-copy this page or download the form at <a href="http://window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-forms/hub-sbcont-plan-gfe-achm-a.pdf">http://window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-forms/hub-sbcont-plan-gfe-achm-a.pdf</a>.

#### SECTION A-1: SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY

Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION 2, Item b, of the completed HSP form for which you are completing the attachment.

Item Number: \_\_\_\_ Description:

#### SECTION A-2: SUBCONTRACTOR SELECTION

List the subcontractor(s) you selected to perform the subcontracting opportunity you listed above in SECTION A-1. Also identify whether they are a Texas certified HUB and their VID number, the approximate dollar value of the work to be subcontracted, the expected percentage of work to be subcontracted, and indicate whether the company is a Texas certified HUB

Company Name	Texas certified HUB	VID Number (Required if Texas certified HUB)	Approximate Dollar Amount	Expected Percentage of Contract
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**REMINDER:** As specified in SECTION 4 of the completed HSP form, if you (respondent) are awarded any portion of the requisition, you are required to provide notice as soon as practical to all the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity they (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarded.

## HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)

Enter your company's name here: SE Scher Corp DBA Acrobat Outsourcing Requisition #: 170705

**IMPORTANT:** If you responded "Yes" to SECTION 2, Items c or d of the completed HSP form, you must submit a completed "HSP Good Faith Effort -Method B (Attachment B)" for <u>each</u> of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b of the completed HSP form. You may photo-copy this page or download the form at <a href="http://window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-forms/hub-sbcon-plan-gfe-achm-b.pdf">http://window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-forms/hub-sbcon-plan-gfe-achm-b.pdf</a>.

#### SECTION B-1: SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY

Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION 2, Item b, of the completed HSP form for which you are completing the attachment.

Item Number: \_\_\_\_ Description:

#### SECTION B-2: MENTOR PROTÉGÉ PROGRAM

If respondent is participating as a Mentor in a State of Texas Mentor Protégé Program, submitting its Protégé (Protégé must be a State of Texas certified HUB) as a subcontractor to perform the subcontracting opportunity listed in SECTION B-1, constitutes a good faith effort to subcontract with a Texas certified HUB towards that specific portion of work.

Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether you will be subcontracting the portion of work you listed in SECTION B-1 to your Protégé.

- Yes (If Yes, to continue to SECTION B-4.)
- No / Not Applicable (If No or Not Applicable, continue to SECTION B-3 and SECTION B-4.)

#### SECTION B-3: NOTIFICATION OF SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY

When completing this section you <u>MUST</u> comply with items <u>a</u>, <u>b</u>, <u>c</u> and <u>d</u>, thereby demonstrating your Good Faith Effort of having notified Texas certified HUBs and trade organizations or development centers about the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Your notice should include the scope of work, information regarding the location to review plans and specifications, bonding and insurance requirements, required qualifications, and identify a contact person. When sending notice of your subcontracting opportunity, you are encouraged to use the attached HUE Subcontracting Opportunity Notice form, which is also available online at <a href="http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-subcontracting-plan">http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-subcontracting-plan</a>.

Retain supporting documentation (i.e., certified letter, fax, e-mail) demonstrating evidence of your good faith effort to notify the Texas certified HUBs and trade organizations or development centers. Also, be mindful that a working day is considered a normal business day of a state agency, not including weekends, federal or state holidays, or days the agency is declared closed by its executive officer. The initial day the subcontracting opportunity notice is sent/provided to the HUBs and to the trade organizations or development centers is considered to be "day zero" and does not count as one of the seven (7) working days.

- a. Provide written notification of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1, to three (3) or more Texas certified HUBs. Unless the contracting agency specified a different time period, you must allow the HUBs at least seven (7) working cays to respond to the notice prior to your submitting your bid response to the contracting agency. When searching for Texas certified HUBs, ensure that you use the State of Texas' Centralized Master Bidders List (CMBL) and Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Search directory located at <a href="http://mycpa.state.tx.us/toasscmblsearch/index.jsp">http://mycpa.state.tx.us/toasscmblsearch/index.jsp</a>. HUB Status code "A" signifies that the company is a Texas certified HUB.
- b. List the three (3) Texas certified HUBs you notified regarding the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Include the company's Vendor ID (VID) number, the date you sent notice to that company, and indicate whether it was responsive or non-responsive to your subcontracting opportunity notice.

Company Name	VID Number	Date Notice Sent (mm/dd/yyyy)	Did the HUB Respond?		
			🗌 - Yes	🗌 - No	
			- Yes	🗌 - No	
			🗌 - Yes	🗌 - No	

- c. Provide written notification of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1 to two (2) or more trade organizations or development centers in Texas to assist in identifying potential HUBs by disseminating the subcontracting opportunity to their members/participants. Unless the contracting agency specified a different time period, you must provide your subcontracting opportunity notice to trade organizations or development centers at least seven (7) working days prior to submitting your bid response to the contracting agency. A list of trade organizations and development centers that have expressed an interest in receiving notices of subcontracting opportunities is available on the Statewide HUB Program's webpage at <a href="http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/mwb-links-1/">http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/mwb-links-1/</a>.
- d. List two (2) trade organizations or development centers you notified regarding the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1.Include the date when you sent notice to it and indicate if it accepted or rejected your notice.

Trade Organizations or Development Centers	Date Notice Sent (mm/dd/yyyy)	Was the Notice Accepted	
		- Yes	- No
		- Yes	- No

## HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B) Cont.

Enter your company's name here: SE Scher Corp DBA Acrobat

Requisition #: 170705

#### SECTION B-4: SUBCONTRACTOR SELECTION

Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION 2, Item b, of the completed HSP form for which you are completing the attachment.

a. Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity for which you are completing this Attachment B continuation page.

Item Number: Description:

b. List the subcontractor(s) you selected to perform the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Also identify whether they are a Texas certified HUB and their VID number, the approximate dollar value of the work to be subcontracted, the expected percentage of work to be subcontracted, and indicate whether the company is a Texas certified HUB.

Company Name	Texas certified HUB	VID Number (Required if Texas certified HUB)	Approximate Dollar Amount	Expected Percentage of Contract
	🗆 - Yes 🔲 - No		\$	%
	🗆 - Yes 🔲 - No		\$	%
	🗆 - Yes 🔲 - No		\$	%
	🗆 - Yes 🔲 - No		\$	%
	🗆 - Yes 🔲 - No		\$	%
	-Yes -No		\$	%
	🗆 - Yes 🔲 - No		\$	%
	🗆 - Yes 🔲 - No		\$	%
	🗆 - Yes 🔲 - No		\$	%
	- Yes - No		\$	%

c. If any of the subcontractors you have selected to perform the subcontracting opportunity you lis ed in SECTION B-1 is <u>not</u> a Texas certified HUB, provide <u>written</u> justification for your selection process (attach additional page if necessary):

**REMINDER:** As specified in SECTION 4 of the completed HSP form, if you (respondent) are avarded any portion of the requisition, you are required to provide notice as soon as practical to <u>all</u> the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity it (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarded.

## HUB Subcontracting Opportunity Notification Form

In accordance with Texas Gov't Code, Chapter 2161, each state agency that considers entering into a contract with an expected value of \$100,000 or more shall, before the agency solicits bids, proposals, offers, or other applicable expressions of interest, determine whether sub-ontracting opportunities are probable under the contract. The state agency I have identified below in Section B has determined that subcontracting opportunities are probable under the requisition to which my company will be responding.

34 Texas Administrative Code, §20.14 requires all respondents (prime contractors) bidding on the contract to provide notice of each of their subcontracting opportunities to at least three (3) Texas certified HUBs (who work within the respective industry applicable to the subcontracting opportunity), and allow the HUBs at least seven (7) working days to respond to the notice prior to the respondent submitting its bid response to the contracting agency. In addition, at least seven (7) working days prior to submitting its bid response to the contracting opportunities to two (2) or more trade organizations or development centers (in Texas) that serves members of groups (i.e., Asian Pacific American, Black American, Hispanic American, Native American, Woman, Service Disabled Veteran) identified in Texas Administrative Code, §20.11(19)(C).

We respectfully request that vendors interested in bidding on the subcontracting opportunity scope of work identified in Section C, Item 2, reply no later than the date and time identified in Section C, Item 1. Submit your response to the point-of-contact referenced in Section A.

SECTION: A PRIME CONTRACTOR'S INFORMATION					
Company Name:	State of Texas VID #:				
Point-of-Contact:	Phone #:				
E-mail Address:	Fax #:				
SECTION: B CONTRACTING STATE AGENCY AND REQUISITION INFORMATION					
Agency Name:					
Point-of-Contact:	Phone #:				
Requisition #:	Bid Open Date:				
	(mm/dd/yyyy)				
SECTION: C SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY RESPONSE DUE DATE, D ESCRIPTION, R EQUIREMENTS AND RELATED INFORMATION					
1. Potential Subcontractor's Bid Response Due Date:					
If you would like for our company to consider your company's bid for the subcontr	racting opportunity identified below in Item 2,				
we must receive your bid response no later than Select	on				
Central Time	Date (mm/dd/yyyy)				
In accordance with 34 TAC §20.14, each notice of subcontracting opportunity shall be p allow the HUBs at least seven (7) working days to respond to the notice prior to submitting at least seven (7) working days prior to us submitting our bid response to the contract subcontracting opportunities to two (2) or more trade organizations or development can Asian Pacific American, Black American, Hispanic American, Native American, Wo Administrative Code, §20.11(19)(C). (A working day is considered a normal business day of a state agency, not including we declared closed by its executive officer. The initial day the subcontracting opportunity organizations or development centers is considered to be "day zero" and does not count as of <b>2. Subcontracting Opportunity Scope of Work:</b>	g our bid response to the contracting agency. In addition, cting agency, we must provide notice of each of our inters (in Texas) that serves members of groups (i.e., ioman, Service Disabled Veteran) identified in Texas ekends, federal or state holidays, or days the agency is notice is sent/provided to the HUBs <u>and</u> to the trade				
3. Required Qualifications:	- Not Applicable				
4. Bonding/Insurance Requirements:	- Not Applicable				
5. Location to review plans/specifications:	- Not Applicable				

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- Where California: San Francisco, San Jose, Sacramento, San Diego, Los Angeles/ Orange County & Riverside Midwest & Texas: Des Moines, Kansas City, Austin & Houston New Jersey: Greater NJ Area, office in Woodbridge
- **References** #1 Fastest Growing Hospitality Staffing Company in the Country Staffing Industry Analysts 2013 & 14 Spirit Magazine: Voted 10 Most Dependable Staffing Agencies, 2007, 2008, 2009;SBCA 2009 Best of Business Award, Forbes Magazine: Voted Best Leading Staffing Agency, 2008, 2009, 2010; SFSBN 2012,13 & 14 Winner, Small Business Owner of the Year

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