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**VENDOR CONTRACT** 

and

# THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM (TIPS)

#### For

# OFFICE AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES #03062515

# **General Information**

The vendor contract shall include the contract, the terms and conditions, special terms and conditions, any agreed upon amendments, as well as all of the sections of the solicitation and the awarded vendor's proposal. Once signed, if an awarded vendor's proposal varies or is unclear in any way from the TIPS contract, 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.

The following pages will constitute the contract between the successful vendors(s) and TIPS. Bidders shall state, in a separate writing, and include with their proposal response, any required exceptions or deviations from these terms, conditions, and specifications. If agreed to by TIPS, they will be incorporated into the final contract.

The Vendor Contract ("Contract") 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 VIII Education Service Center, having its principal place of business at 4845 US Hwy 271 North, Pittsburg, Texas 75686. This contract 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.

#### Definitions

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

**PREMIUM HOURS** are defined as those hours not included in regular hours or recognized holidays. Premium hours are to be approved by the TIPS member for each delivery order and noted in the delivery order proposal as a line item during negotiations. **REGULAR HOURS** are defined as those hours between the hours of 7 AM and 6 PM Monday thru Friday.

# **Terms and Conditions**

#### Freight

All deliveries shall be freight prepaid, F.O.B. destination and shall be included in all pricing offered unless otherwise clearly stated in writing.

#### Warranty Conditions

All supplies equipment and services shall include manufacturer's minimum standard warranty unless otherwise agreed to in writing. Vendor shall be an authorized dealer, distributor or manufacturer for all products. All equipment proposed shall be new unless clearly stated in writing.

#### **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.)

#### Contracts

All contracts 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. Contracts for purchase will normally be put into effect by means of a purchase order(s) executed by authorized agents of the participating government entities. Davis Bacon Act requirements will be met when Federal Funds are used for construction and/or repair of buildings.

#### 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.

### Assignments of contracts

No assignment of contract may be made without the prior written approval of TIPS. Payment 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 contract.
- 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 participants in the TIPS program.
- 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 contract.

# **Renewal of Contracts**

The OFFICE AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES contract is for one (1) year with an option for renewal for 2 consecutive years. Total term of contract can be up to 3 years if sales are reported through the contract and both parties agree.

# Shipments

The Vendor shall ship ordered products within five (5) working days after the receipt of the order. If a product cannot be shipped within that time, the Vendor shall notify TIPS and the requesting entity as to why the product has not shipped and shall provide an estimated shipping date, if applicable. TIPS or the requesting entity may cancel the order if estimated shipping time is not acceptable.

# Invoices

The Vendor or vendor assigned dealer shall submit invoices, to the TIPS participant. Each invoice shall include the TIPS participant's purchase order number. The shipment tracking number or pertinent information for verification of TIPS participant 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 and the TIPS participant.

### Payments

The TIPS participant will make payments directly to the Vendor or vendor assigned dealer at net 30 days after receiving invoice.

### Pricing

The Vendor contracts to provide pricing to TIPS and its participating governmental entities that is the lowest pricing available to like cooperative purchasing customers and the pricing shall remain so throughout the duration of the contract.

The Vendor agrees to promptly lower the cost of any product purchased through TIPS following a reduction in the manufacturer or publisher's direct cost to the Vendor. Price increases will be honored. 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 One Percent (1%) participation fee to be remitted to TIPS by the Vendor. Vendor will not show adding the 1% to the invoice presented to customer.

# **Participation Fees**

Vendor or vendor assigned dealer contracts to pay 1% of all sales to TIPS on a monthly scheduled report. TIPS will email a Monthly Submission Report to each vendor. The Vendor or vendor assigned dealer is responsible for keeping record of all sales that go through the TIPS contract. Report may be sent to TIPS electronically while check for 1% is mailed. Failure to pay 1% participation fee will result in termination of contract.

# Indemnity

- 1. Indemnity for Personality Contracts. 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 contract, 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, whether or not such claims are based in whole or in part upon the negligent acts or omissions of the TIPS, TIPS member(s), officers, employees, or agents.
- 2. Indemnity for Performance Contracts. 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 contract, 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. Vendor further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless and defend TIPS, TIPS member(s), officers and employees, from and against all claims and suits for injuries (including death) to an officer, employee, agent, subcontractor, supplier or equipment lessee of the Vendor, arising out of, or resulting from, Vendor's work under this contract whether or not such claims are based in whole or in part upon the negligent acts or omissions of the TIPS, TIPS member(s), officers, employees, or agents.

# Attorney's Fees--Texas Local Government Code § 271.159 is expressly referenced.

Pursuant to §271.159, TEXAS LOC. GOV'T CODE, in the event that any one of the Parties is required to obtain the services of an attorney to enforce this Agreement, the prevailing party, in addition to other remedies available, shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorney's fees and costs of court.

### **Multiple Vendor Awards**

TIPS reserves the right to award multiple vendor contracts for categories when deemed in the best interest of the TIPS membership. Bidders scoring 80% or above will be considered for an award. Categories are established at the discretion of TIPS.

### 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

The Vendor acknowledges and agrees that continued participation in TIPS is subject to TIPS sole discretion and that any Vendor may be removed from the participation in the Program at any time with or without cause. Nothing in the contract or in any other communication between TIPS and the Vendor may be construed as a guarantee that TIPS participants will submit any orders at any time. TIPS reserves the right to request additional proposals for items already on contract at any time.

# **Purchase Order Pricing/Product Deviation**

If a deviation of pricing/product on a purchase order occurs, TIPS is to be notified within 24 hours of receipt of order.

# Cancellation for non-performance or contract deficiency

TIPS may terminate any contract if TIPS Members have not used the contract, or if purchase volume is determined to be "low volume" in any 12-month period. TIPS reserves the right to cancel the whole or any part of this contract due to failure by awarded vendor to carry out any

obligation, term or condition of the contract. TIPS may issue a written deficiency notice to awarded vendor for acting or failing to act in any of the following:

- Providing material that does not meet the specifications of the contract;
- Providing work and/or material that was not awarded under the contract;
- Failing to adequately perform the services set forth in the scope of work and specifications;
- Failing to complete required work or furnish required materials within a reasonable amount of time;
- Failing to make progress in performance of the contract and/or giving TIPS reason to believe that awarded vendor will not or cannot perform the requirements of the contract; and/or
- Performing work or providing services under the contract prior to receiving a TIPS reviewed purchase order for such work.

Upon receipt of the written deficiency, awarded vendor shall have ten (10) days to provide a satisfactory response to TIPS. Failure to adequately address all issues of concern may result in contract cancellation. Upon cancellation under this paragraph, all goods, materials, work, documents, data and reports prepared by awarded vendor under this contract shall become the property of the TIPS Member on demand.

### **TIPS Member Purchasing Procedures**

Purchase orders are issued by participating TIPS member to the awarded vendor indicating on the PO "Contract Number 03062515". Purchase 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 monthly).

#### Form of Contract

The form of contract for this solicitation shall be the Request for Proposal, the awarded proposal(s) and best and final offer(s), and properly issued and reviewed purchase orders referencing the requirements of the Request for Proposals. If a vendor submitting an offer requires TIPS and/or TIPS Member to sign an additional agreement, a copy of the proposed agreement must be included with the proposal.

Vendor contract documents: TIPS will review proposed vendor contract documents. Vendor's contract document shall not become part of TIPS's contract with vendor unless and until an authorized representative of TIPS reviews and approves it.

#### 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 contract. TIPS reserves the right to stop work and/or cancel contract of any awarded vendor whose license(s) expire, lapse, are suspended or terminated.

#### Novation

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

### Site Requirements (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 contract 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 participating entity clearly stating "Per TIPS Contract". The shipment tracking number or pertinent information for verification shall be made available upon request.

#### Marketing

Awarded vendor agrees to allow TIPS to use their name and logo within website, marketing materials and advertisement. Any use of TIPS name and logo or any form of publicity, inclusive of press release, regarding this contract by awarded vendor must have prior approval from TIPS.

#### Supplemental agreements

The entity participating in the TIPS contract 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 contract i.e. invoice requirements, ordering requirements, specialized delivery, etc. Any supplemental agreement developed as a result of this contract 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.

#### 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 contract 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 Contract. 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 one (1) year 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.

#### 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 inability then claimed, except as hereinafter provided, but for no longer period, and such party shall endeavor to remove or overcome such inability with all reasonable dispatch.

#### Services

When applicable, performance bonds will be required on construction or labor required jobs over \$100,000 and payment bonds on jobs over \$25,000 or awarded vendor will meet the TIPS member's local and state purchasing requirements. Awarded vendors may need to provide additional capacity as jobs increase. Bonds will not require that a fee be paid to TIPS. The actual cost of the bond will be a pass through to the TIPS member and added to the purchase order.

#### Scope of Services

The specific scope of work for each job shall be determined in advance and in writing between TIPS Member and Awarded vendor. It is okay if the TIPS member provides a general scope, but the awarded vendor should provide a written scope of work to the TIPS member as part of the proposal. Once the scope of the job is agreed to, the TIPS member will issue a PO with the estimate referenced as an attachment along with bond and any other special provisions agreed to for the TIPS member. If special terms and conditions other than those covered within this solicitation and awarded contracts are required, they will be attached to the PO and shall take precedence over those in the base contract.

#### **Project Delivery Order Procedures**

The TIPS member having approved and signed an interlocal agreement, or other TIPS membership document, may make a request of the awarded vendor under this contract when the TIPS member has services that need to be undertaken. Notification may occur via phone, the web, email, fax, or in person.

Upon notification of a pending request, the awarded vendor shall make contact with the TIPS member as soon as possible, but must make contact with the TIPS member within two working days.

#### **Scheduling of Projects**

Scheduling of projects (if applicable) will be accomplished when the TIPS member issues a purchase order that will serve as "the notice to proceed". The period for the delivery order will include the mobilization, materials purchase, installation and delivery, design, weather, and site cleanup and inspection. No additional claims may be made for delays as a result of these items. When the tasks have been completed the awarded vendor shall notify the client and have the TIPS member inspect the work for acceptance under the scope and terms in the PO. The TIPS member will issue in writing any corrective actions that are required. Upon completion of these items, the TIPS member will issue a completion notice and final payment will be issued.

#### 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.

# **Special Terms and Conditions**

It is the intent of TIPS to contract 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>Contracts:</u> All vendor purchase orders must be emailed to TIPS at tipspo@tips-usa.com. Should an agency send an order direct to vendor, it is the vendor's responsibility to forward the order to TIPS at the email above within 24 business hours and confirm its receipt with TIPS.
- **Promotion of Contract**: 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 contract is not acceptable to the terms and conditions of this contract and will result in removal of Vendor from Program. Vendor is expected to use marketing funds for the marketing and promotion of this contract.
- <u>Daily Order Confirmation</u>: All contract 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 24 business hours.
- <u>Vendor custom website for TIPS</u>: If Vendor is hosting a custom TIPS website, then updated pricing must be posted by 1<sup>st</sup> of each month.
- <u>Back Ordered Products</u>: If product is not expected to ship within 3 business days, customer is to be notified within 24 hours and appropriate action taken based on customer request.

Check one of the following responses to the General Terms and Special Terms and Conditions:

() We take no exceptions/deviations to the general and/or special terms and conditions.

(Note: If none are listed below, it is understood that no exceptions/deviations are taken.)

X

We take the following exceptions/deviations to the **general** and/or **special terms and conditions**. All exceptions/deviations must be clearly explained. Reference the corresponding general or special terms and conditions that you are taking exceptions/deviations to. The proposer must clearly state if you are adding additional terms and conditions to the general or special terms and conditions. Provide details on your exceptions/deviations below: Exceptions:

General Terms: Charges reigh npn lease see attached Exceptions document.



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#### EXCEPTIONS TO GENERAL TERMS THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM (TIPS) OFFICE AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES #03062515 CATALOG DISCOUNT AGREEMENT

- 1. Really Good Stuff would like to extend a 3% Catalog Discount to TIPS members.
- 2. The 3% discount will be off our regular pricing (merchandise total).
- 3. Discounts cannot be combined with other company promotional offers and/or coupons unless stipulated by Really Good Stuff.
- 4. <u>Purchase orders must reference the Contract "#03062515 TIPS" to receive the discount</u>.
- 5. Really Good Stuff will take back any product at any time and for any reason. We will promptly replace the item or refund your money (less shipping and processing). If your item is damaged or defective, or if you change your mind, please call our Customer Service Department for instructions. All products must be in their original condition. A copy of the original packing list or invoice must accompany the product.
- 6. Shipments: In stock items ship 7-15 business days (ARO). Drop ship 4-6 weeks (ARO).
- 7. Prices do not include shipping and handling charges. Prices are as stated in our catalog or website with shipping and handling charges added to the subtotal of each order. Shipping charges are calculated by the pre-discounted item amount. See enclosed "Shipping Policies" document for reference. Current Shipping Charges:

Order Amount	Shipping Charge
\$0.01 to \$49.99	\$8.95
\$50 - \$99.99	\$10.95
\$100.00 and up	14% of order amount

\*Shipping rates are subject to change at any time

Claudia Fellini Bid Manager Really Good Stuff

Signature

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Shipping Policies

All standard packages are shipped UPS or through the USPS (at the discretion of the company). Some of our products require additional time and/or charges, please see item descriptions for detail. Priority Shipping NOT available on products that require additional shipping time or changes. Additional processing fees may apply and are subject to change without notice. Available products will arrive within 15 business days of receipt of the order. In the unlikely event that one or more of your items is back-ordered, the bulk of your order will arrive within 15 business days of receipt of the order (and the rest of the items will follow as soon as they are available).

**Super Priority Express:** Guaranteed delivery of in-stock items in 3 business days. Please add \$15.00 to standard shipping and include your street address. UPS will not deliver to a P.O. Box. Express delivery is not available for U.S. orders shipping outside the continental U.S., or for items that require additional shipping time and/or charges. Please refer to item descriptions for details. For orders over \$150, add an additional 10% to the order total, including the standard shipping charge.

**Outside Contiguous U.S. Orders:** For orders under \$200 shipped to U.S. addresses outside the Continental U.S. (i.e. HI, AK, PR, GM) please add \$15.00 to the standard shipping and processing. For orders over \$200, please call.

**International Orders:** All orders shipped outside of the U.S. (except APO and FPO addresses) must pay with a VISA, MasterCard or Discover Card. Please call 1-877-867-1920 to contact us for shipping and processing fees.

**Our On-Time Delivery Guarantee:** If we don't meet our shipping delivery commitment to you, all shipping and processing charges will be refunded in full.

#### Track your Order

We do offer tracking for all orders on our web site. All customers who have placed their orders online will be issued tracking numbers via e-mail to check the status of their orders, don't forget to supply your e-mail address when you are ordering so we can supply the tracking information. If you have placed your order over the phone, you may track your order on our website by using the order number that was supplied to you by one of our representatives at the end of your order.

Please call our customer service department directly at 1-877-867-1920, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM (EST), Monday through Friday for information about your order.

All standard packages are shipped UPS or through the USPS (at the discretion of the company). Some of our products require additional shipping time and/or charges, please see their description for details. Additional processing fees may apply and are subject to change without notice. Available products will arrive within 15 business days of receipt of order. In the unlikely event that one or more of your items is back-ordered, the bulk of your order will arrive within 15 business days of receipt of your order and the rest of the items will follow as soon as they are available).

# The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS Cooperative) Supplier Response

Bid Information		Contact Information		Ship to Information	
Bid Creator Email	Mr. David Mabe National Coordinator david.mabe@tips-usa.com	Address	Region VIII Education Service Center 4845 US Highway 271	Address	
Phone Fax	+1 (903) 243-4759 +1 (866) 749-6674		North Pittsburg, TX 75686	Contact	
		Contact	Mrs. Kim Thompson	Department	
Bid Number Title	03062515 Addendum 1 Office and School Supplies		Coordinator of Office Operations	Building	
Bid Type	RFP		·	Floor/Room	
Issue Date	04/02/2015	Departmen	t	Telephone	
Close Date Need by Date	5/15/2015 3:00:00 PM CT	Building		Fax Email	
Need by Date		Floor/Room	1	Eman	
		Telephone Fax Email	+1 (866) 839-8477 +1 (866) 929-4402 bids@tips-usa.com		

#### Supplier Information

Company Address	Really Good Stuff PO Box 386	
AUU1633		
	Botsford, CT 06404-0386	
Contact		
Department		
Building		
Floor/Room		
Telephone	1 (800) 3661920	
Fax	1 (203) 2681796	
Email		
Submitted	5/5/2015 3:03:06 PM CT	
Total	\$0.00	
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Bid Notes		

**Bid Activities** 

**Bid Messages** 

Ple	ase review the following and respond whe	ere necessary	
#	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	Highly Underutilized Business - HUB (Required by some participating governmental entities) Vendor certifies that their firm is a HUB? Vendor must upload proof of certification to the "Response Attachments" HUB CERTIFICATES section.	No
3	Yes - No	Certification of Residency (Required by the State of Texas) Company submitting bid is a Texas resident bidder?	No
4	Company Residence (City)	Vendor's principal place of business is in the city of?	Monroe
5	Company Residence (State)	Vendor's principal place of business is in the state of?	Connecticut
6	Felony Conviction Notice:	(Required by the State of Texas) My firm is, as outlined on PAGE 5 in the Instructions to Bidders document: (Questions 7 - 9)	(No Response Required)
7	Yes - No	A publicly held corporation; therefore, this reporting requirement is not applicable?	No
8	Yes - No	Is not owned or operated by anyone who has been convicted of a felony?	Yes
9	Yes - No	Is owned or operated by individual(s) who has/have been convicted of a felony? If answer is YES, a detailed explanation of the name(s) and conviction(s) must be uploaded to the "Response Attachments" FELONY CONVICTION section.	No
10	Pricing Information:	Pricing information section. (Questions 11 - 14)	(No Response Required)
11	Yes - No	In addition to the typical unit pricing furnished herein, the Vendor agrees to furnish all current and future products at prices that are proportionate to Dealer Pricing. If answer is NO, include a statement detailing how pricing for TIPS participants would be calculated in the PRICING document that is uploaded to the "Response Attachments" PRICING section.	Yes
12	Yes - No	Pricing submitted includes the 1% TIPS participation fee?	Yes
13	Yes - No	Vendor agrees to remit to TIPS the required 1% participation fee?	Yes
14	Yes - No	Additional discounts to TIPS members for bulk quantities?	Yes
15	Start Time	Average start time after receipt of customer order is working days?	1
16	Years Experience	Company years experience in this category?	23
17	Yes - No	The Vendor can provide services and/or products to all 50 US States?	Yes
18	States Served:	If answer is NO to question #17, please list which states can be served. (Example: AR, OK, TX)	

19 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.)

Really Good Stuff offers a wide range of supplemental curriculum products including Instructional and Teaching Aids, aligned to CCSS, for early Childhood, Intermediate and Middle Grades. Products include ELA, ESL, ELL, Math, Dual Language; along with organizational tools, dry erase boards and supplies, management tools, and much more.

Materials include hands on creative products that target the standards and enhance balanced literacy, along with Math skills. From intensive instruction to independent practice, our products accelerate learning and bring excitement to teaching.

• Our products extend and enrich textbook programs already in place.

• Our material is designed for precise common core standard, so educators are clear on its purpose and can track improvements.

Solutions can be shared between multiple classrooms.
Content is created by true

educators. • Our products come with a comprehensive Really Good Teaching Guide that contains progress monitoring tools, further practice, and differentiated instructional ideas. The Really Good Teaching Guide is also available on our website at www.reallygoodstuff.com.

Our products are made by teachers for teachers. Really Good Stuff's product development department includes several in-house former teachers who work side-by-side with a network of freelance teacher-freelancers; a small group of curriculum and pedagogical experts; a national teacher advisory board; and local panels-all of which are made up of teachers who are currently in the classroom. In addition, we have a vibrant program that encourages the submission of ideas and suggestions from our teacher customers. Our product development team attends several national conferences each year, including NAEYC/NCTM/IRA, in order to keep abreast with current trends in education. Our teacher developers maintain memberships in the leading professional organizations.

Our products make it easier for teachers to focus on the standards while keeping students engaged in purposeful, fun activities!

4	20		contract? (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.	
2	21	Primary Contact Name	Primary Contact Name	Claudia Fellini
2	22	Primary Contact Title	Primary Contact Title	Bid Manager
2	23	Primary Contact Email	Primary Contact Email	bidsupport@reallygoodstuff.com
2	24	Primary Contact Phone	Primary Contact Phone - Format (xxx) xxx-xxxx	800-366-1920
2	25	Primary Contact Fax	Primary Contact Fax - Format (xxx) xxx-xxxx	203-268-8120
2	26	Primary Contact Mobile	Primary Contact Mobile- Format (xxx) xxx-xxxx	
2	27	Secondary Contact Name	Secondary Contact Name	Glenna Castner
2	28	Secondary Contact Title	Secondary Contact Title	Sales Administrative Assistant
2	29	Secondary Contact Email	Secondary Contact Email	gcastner@reallygoodstuff.com
3	30	Secondary Contact Phone	Secondary Contact Phone - Format (xxx) xxx-xxxx	800-366-1920
3	31	Secondary Contact Fax	Secondary Contact Fax - Format (xxx) xxx-xxxx	203-268-8120
3	32	Secondary Contact Mobile	Secondary Contact Mobile - Format (xxx) xxx-xxxx	
3	33	2% Contact Name	2% Contact Name	Customer Service
3	34	2% Contact Email	2% Contact Email	writeus@reallygoodstuff.com
3	35	2% Contact Phone	2% Contact Phone - Format (xxx) xxx-xxxx	800-366-1920
3	36	Purchase Order Contact:	This person is responsible for receiving Purchase Orders from TIPS. (Questions 37 - 39)	(No Response Required)
3	37	Purchase Order Contact Name	Purchase Order Contact Name	Inside Sales
3	38	Purchase Order Contact Email	Purchase Order Contact Email	bidsupport@reallygoodstuff.com
3	39	Purchase Order Contact Phone	Purchase Order Contact Phone - Format (xxx) xxx-xxxx	800-366-1920
2	40	Company Website	Company Website	www.reallygoodstuff.com
2	41	Federal ID Number:	Federal ID Number also known as the Employer Identification Number.	06-0957692
2	42	Primary Address	Primary Address	PO Box 386
2	43	Primary Address City	Primary Address City	Botsford
4	44	Primary Address State	Primary Address State	СТ

Primary Address Zip

Does the vendor have resellers that it will name under this No

Resellers:

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Primary Address Zip

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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.)

Really Good Stuff, supplemental, curriculum, Instructional, Teaching Aids, aligned to CCSS, early Childhood, Intermediate, Middle Grades, ELA, ESL, ELL, Math, Dual Language, organizational tools, dry erase boards and supplies, management tools, hands on, creative, literacy, independent practice, multiple classrooms, educators, progress monitoring tools, further practice, www.reallygoodstuff.com,pedagogical, English Language Arts, Literacy Foundational Skills, Phonics & Word Recognition, Phonological Awareness Print Concepts, Fluency, Sight Words, Language, Vocabulary, Acquisition, English, Reading Comprehension Key Ideas, Details, Craft & Structure, Reading Range & Complexity, writing, Text Types, Process & Production Traits, Social Studies, Government, History, Geography, Cultures, Community, Math, Operations & Algebraic Thinking, Addition & Subtraction Multiplication & Division, library, science, bilingual.

Yes

47 Yes - No

Do you wish to be eligible to participate in a TIPS contract in which a TIPS member utilizes federal funds on contracts exceeding \$100,000? (Non-Construction) (If YES, vendor should download the Federal Funds Over \$100,000 Certification document from the Attachments section, fill out the form and submit the document in the "Response Attachments" FEDERAL FUNDS section.) (Vendor must also download the Suspension or Debarment Certificate document from the Attachments section, fill out the form and submit the document in the "Response Attachments" SUSPENSION OR DEBARMENT section.)

Response Total:

# Provisions for purchase with federal funds for contracts exceeding \$100,000 These forms are for non-construction contracts

Many TIPS members (grantees and sub-grantees) purchase goods and services with federal funds. When a member engages a contract exceeding \$100,000 and paid with federal funds, provisions are triggered by various Code of Federal Regulations requirements. Primarily 34 CFR 80.36 from the Department of Education and 7 CFR 3015 & 3016 from the Department of Agriculture for School Lunch Program. There may be other Federal programs from time to time that are not enumerated above that may fund certain projects using outside vendors. These are not optional for the contracting entity and in order to spend the federal funds certain provision and certifications must be in place to ensure legal compliance.

If you company wishes to be eligible to participate in a TIPS contract in which a member utilizes federal funds on contracts exceeding \$100,000, you must complete the following forms can provide the certifications as required on the subsequent pages.

Do you wish to be eligible to participate in a TIPS contract in which a member utilizes federal funds on contracts exceeding \$100,000?

Check your response?

YES X NO

Signature of Authorized Company Official

Claudia Fellini Printed Name of Authorized Company Official

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Attach to this page a current W-9 form

Please complete the forms below

#### Legal Compliance

It is the proposing company's duty and responsibility to have knowledge of and be responsible for the compliance with all applicable laws, rules and regulations as they apply to this procurement process and any subsequent award. The vendor agrees to comply, in all relevant respects, with all Federal, State, and Local laws, rules and regulations related to the performance of services or supply of goods to TIPS or TIPS members?

Does vendor agree? YES

#### **Non-Collusive Bidding Certificate**

By submitting a proposal in response to a Request for Proposals or other procurement device containing this clause, you certify that you are authorized to certify to the following:

- 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.

The vendor complied with #1 through 4 above? YES CF Initial of Authorized Company Official

#### SUSPENSION OR DEBARMENT CERTIFICATE

Non-Federal entities are prohibited from contracting with or making sub-awards under covered transactions to parties that are suspended or debarred or whose principals are suspended or debarred. Covered transactions include procurement for goods or services equal to or in excess of \$100,000.00. Contractors receiving individual awards for \$25,000.00 or more and all sub-recipients must certify that the organization and its principals are not suspended or debarred.

You certify that no suspension or disbarment is in place, which would preclude receiving a federally funded contract under the Federal OMB, A-102, common rules

The vendor has not been debarred? YES CF Initial of Authorized Company Official

#### 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 modification 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 Standard Form-LLL, "disclosure Form to Report Lobbing," 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.

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per St. Monroe, 06468

Address of Organizati

Manager audiate Name / Title of Submitting Official

. Fuller

Signature of Submitting Officia

#### Provisions for purchase with federal funds for contracts exceeding \$100,000

Federal Rule (1) Administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as may be appropriate. (Contracts more than the simplified acquisition threshold)

Notice: Pursuant to Federal Rule (1) above, when federal funds are expended by TIPS Member, TIPS Member 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 CF Initial of Authorized Company Official

Federal Rule (2) 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 Federal Rule (2) above, when federal funds are expended by TIPS Member, TIPS Member 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. TIPS Member 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. Any award under this procurement process is not exclusive and the District reserves the right to purchase goods and services from other vendors when it is in the best interest of the District.

Does vendor agree? YESCT Initial of Authorized Company Official

# Federal Rule (7) Notice of awarding agency requirements and regulations pertaining to reporting.

Pursuant to Federal Rule (7) above, when federal funds are expended by TIPS Member, TIPS Member requires that the proposer certify that during the term of an award by the TIPS Member resulting from this procurement process the vendor will provide reports and documentation required by all applicable law and state and federal regulations upon request by the TIPS Member or any relevant state of federal agency.

Does vendor agree? YESCE Initial of Authorized Company Official

Federal Rule (8) Notice of awarding agency requirements and regulations pertaining to patent rights with respect to any discovery or invention which arises or is developed in the course of or under such contract.

### Provisions for purchase with federal funds for contracts exceeding \$100,000

Pursuant to Federal Rule (8) above, when federal funds are expended by TIPS Member, TIPS Member shall address any requirements and regulations pertaining to patent rights with respect to any discovery or invention which arises or is developed in the course of or under such contract in the contract document and absent language to the contrary or if the contract silent on the subject, the District retains all rights thereto.

Does vendor agree? YES CF Initial of Authorized Company Official

# Federal Rule (9) Awarding agency requirements and regulations pertaining to copyrights and rights in data.

Pursuant to Federal Rule (9) above, when federal funds are expended by TIPS Member, TIPS Member requires the proposer certify that during the term of an award by the TIPS Member resulting for this procurement process the vendor will surrender upon request any copyrighted materials owned by the TIPS Member but used in the awarded contract performance unless otherwise agreed in a written document by the parties. TIPS Member reserves the rights to all data created or provided to the vendor for the purpose of contract performance resulting for this procurement process and the vendor will surrender such data upon request unless otherwise agreed in a written document by the parties. If the contract is silent or not dispositive on the subject matter data or copyrights TIPS Member retains all rights in the data developed or gathered during the contract term.

Does vendor agree? YES CF Initial of Authorized Company Official

Federal Rule (10) Access by the grantee, the subgrantee, the Federal grantor agency, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives to any books, documents, papers, and records of the contractor which are directly pertinent to that specific contract for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts, and transcriptions.

Pursuant to Federal Rule (9) above, when federal funds are expended by TIPS Member, TIPS Member requires the proposer certify that during the term and after the awarded term of an award by the TIPS Member resulting for this procurement process the vendor will grant access by the grantee, the subgrantee, the Federal grantor agency, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives to any books, documents, papers, and records of the contractor which are directly pertinent to that specific contract for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts, and transcriptions.

Does vendor agree? YES CF Initial of Authorized Company Official

#### Provisions for purchase with federal funds for contracts exceeding \$100,000

Federal Rule (11) Retention of all required records for three years after grantees or subgrantees make final payments and all other pending matters are closed.

Pursuant to Federal Rule (11) above, when federal funds are expended by TIPS Member, TIPS Member requires the proposer certify that the awarded vendor retain of all required records for three years after grantees or subgrantees make final payments and all other pending matters are closed.

Does vendor agree? YES Initial of Authorized Company Official

Federal Rule (12) 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 Federal Rule (12) above, when federal funds are expended by TIPS Member, TIPS Member requires 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 agree? YES  $\bigcirc \begin{tabular}{ll} \hline \end{tabular}$  Initial of Authorized Company Official

Federal Rule (13) Mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub. L. 94-163, 89 Stat. 871).

Pursuant to Federal Rule (13) above, when federal funds are expended by TIPS Member, TIPS Member requires proposer certify that during the term of an award by the TIPS Member resulting for this procurement process the vendor will be in compliance with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub. L. 94-163, 89 Stat. 871).

Does vendor agree? YES CF Initial of Authorized Company Official

#### SUSPENSION OR DEBARMENT CERTIFICATE

Non-Federal entities are prohibited from contracting with or making sub-awards under covered transactions to parties that are suspended or debarred or whose principals are suspended or debarred. Covered transactions include procurement for goods or services equal to or in excess of \$100,000.00. Contractors receiving individual awards for \$25,000.00 or more and all sub-recipients must certify that the organization and its principals are not suspended or debarred.

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Information may be found at https://www.sam.gov/index.html

Has the vendor been debarred form participation in Federal funds contracts?

NO ( I Initial of Authorized Company Official

YES Initial of Authorized Company Official

Company Official:

Company:

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# **CONTRACT** Signature Form

The undersigned hereby proposes and agrees to furnish goods and/or services in compliance with the terms, specifications and conditions at the prices quoted unless noted in writing. The undersigned further certifies that he or she is an authorized agent of the company and has authority to negotiate and contract for the company named below.

Company Name:	Really Good Stuff
company numer	
Mailing Address:	448 Pepper St
City:	Monroe
State:	CT
Zip:	06468
Telephone Number:	800-366-1920
Fax Number:	203-268-8120
Email Address:	bidsupport@reallygoodstuff.com
Authorized Signature:	Ciloudia Fiellini
Printed Name:	Claudia Fellini
Position:	Bid Manager

This contract is for a total TERM of one year with the option of two additional years. Vendors shall honor the participation fee for any sales made based on the TIPS contract. Failure to pay the fee will be grounds for termination of contract and will affect the award of future contracts.

Blunda Mc Matt TIPS Authorized Signature David Name Fitts Approved by Region VUI ESC

<u>6-25-15</u> Date

6-25-15

References

\*\* Must have at least 3 References. References must be School, City, County, University, State Agency or Other Government.

Organization	City	State	Contact Name	Contact Phone
Baltimore County Public Schools	Towson	MD	Carole Johnson	410-887-4334
Gallup McKinley County School Distr	ic Gallup	NM	Wilma Fluharty	505-722-7711
Hamilton County School District	Chattanooga	TN	Lisa Black	423-209-8400
Norfolk School District	Norfolk	VA	Melinda Fenton	757-629-2757



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# Your Satisfaction Guaranteed...100%!



**Really Good Stuff Policy on Exchanges and Returns** 

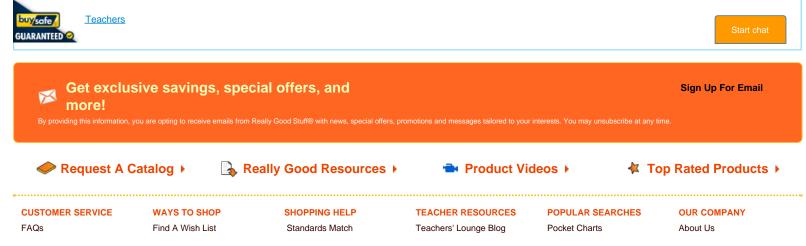
At Really Good Stuff®, your satisfaction is our number one concern. Therefore, we'll take back any product at any time and for any reason. We will promptly replace the item or refund your money (less shipping). All products must be in their original condition.

A copy of the original packing list or invoice must accompany the product. Please fill out the return form on the back of the packing list, stating what you would like in exchange. (You can download the form by clicking here)

If by any chance you receive an item damaged, defective or in error please contact our Customer Service Department. <u>Click here to reach a</u> <u>Really Good Stuff Customer Service Specialist</u>.

Address for Exchanges and Returns

Really Good Stuff 448 Pepper Street Monroe, CT 06468



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We would like to thank you for this opportunity to respond to your request for Office and School Supplies Bid #03062515.

Since we opened our doors in 1992, Really Good Stuff has dedicated itself to providing products and services that help teachers make a difference in children's lives.

Our exclusive collection of fun and creative teaching tools is what makes us unique! Many of our quality products start with ideas shared from classrooms around the country. All products are tested in the classroom and reviewed by teacher panels before they ever make it into our Really Good Stuff catalog or reallygoodstuff.com site.

By choosing Really Good Stuff, you are guaranteed an expert partner that will provide your district with access to over 4,000 products in inventory. Our 80,000 square foot warehouse located at our Monroe, CT headquarters, is stocked and ready to furnish your school and classroom needs immediately.

Really Good Stuff's dedicated account management team is **committed** to meeting every district's individual requirements and goals through **responsive**, **personalized service**. Additionally, our customer support teams are available **9am** -**11pm EST** daily to handle any pre or post sales questions and inquiries. This is just a fraction of the Really Good Stuff commitment to superior customer service.

As per your competitive solicitation, I have enclosed the required information and documentation for Really Good Stuff that further explains the many services and advantages that we can offer your schools.

On behalf of the entire Really Good Stuff team, we look forward to serving your district in providing the products, service, and support that your students and faculty need to be successful.

Sincerely, Claudia Fellini Bid Manager 800.366.1920 x246 cfellini@reallygoodstuff.com



#### Mission Statement

Providing the most up to date supplemental curriculum products aligned to Common Core/ State Standards; along with fun, creative, and affordable teaching tools to help teachers make a difference in their students' lives!

#### Product Overview

Really Good Stuff offers a wide range of supplemental curriculum products including Instructional and Teaching Aids, aligned to CCSS, for early Childhood, Intermediate and Middle Grades. Products include ELA, ESL, ELL, Math, Dual Language; along with organizational tools, dry erase boards, management tools, and much more.

Materials include hands on creative products that target the standards and enhance balanced literacy, along with Math skills. From intensive instruction to independent practice, our products accelerate learning and bring excitement to teaching.

- Our products extend and enrich textbook programs already in place.
- Our materials are developed around specific State standards.
- Solutions can be shared between multiple classrooms.
- Content is created by true educators.
- Our products come with a comprehensive Really Good Teaching Guides that contain progress monitoring tools, further practice, and differentiated instructional ideas. Teaching Guide are available on our website at <a href="http://www.reallygoodstuff.com">www.reallygoodstuff.com</a>.

Our products are made by teachers for teachers. Really Good Stuff's product development department includes several in-house former teachers who work side-by-side with a network of freelance teachers. This is a small group consisting of curriculum and pedagogical experts, a national teacher advisory board, and local panels—all of which are made up of teachers who are currently in the classroom. In addition, we have a vibrant program that encourages the submission of ideas and suggestions from our teacher customers. Our product development team attends several national conferences each year, including NAEYC/NCTM/IRA, in order to keep abreast with current trends in education. Our teacher developers maintain memberships in the leading professional organizations.

Our products make it easier for teachers to focus on the standards while keeping students engaged in purposeful, fun activities!

#### **NABE Hot Products**

Our ESL products help students achieve English language proficiency in all four domains of speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Our engaging, hands-on materials include extensive teaching guides for explicit instruction of the English language. Guides include modifications and strategies for teaching all levels of ELL. We also offer literacy materials in Spanish for bilingual and dual-language programs.



#### Warranty

At Really Good Stuff, your satisfaction is our number one concern. Therefore, we'll take back any product at any time and for any reason. We will promptly replace the item or refund your money.



**\*Upon request**, we offer complete refunds less shipping. All products must be in their original condition. A copy of the original packing list or invoice must accompany the product.

#### Sole Source

The majority of our products are exclusive and only available from Really Good Stuff. Our sales are direct to educators, schools and districts. We do not offer our collection through other vendors.

#### Customer Service

Our dedicated customer service staff is available between the hours of 9am-11pm Monday through Friday. You will experience a kind and friendly staff willing and able to assist with all your customer needs.

Our staff includes service representatives specifically assigned to handle all quotes, Sole Source letters, and general inquiries.

Team members are knowledgeable in the order process and can help answer questions or handle any situation that may arise.

#### Inside Sales Account Management Team

Really Good Stuff's dedicated **Account Management Team** is committed to meeting every district's individual requirements and goals through responsive, personalized service. Call **800-466-1935** and let us know how we can help.

Their goal is to assist educators and buying agents in providing the best solutions and products to fit your Districts needs.



#### **Distribution**

Our distribution program provides the most efficient shipping solution to our customers.

Our products are distributed nationwide through UPS and various motor freight carriers.



#### Environment

Really Good Stuff<sup>™</sup> started its major green initiative in February 2008 by installing energyefficient fluorescent lighting in the company's 80,000 square foot distribution center in Monroe, CT. From there, we installed solar panels that currently generate close to 30% of our electric power.

We have also installed large moving fans throughout our distribution center. The blades are 12 – 24 feet in size and efficiently circulate the cool air in the summer and the warm air in the winter. This translates into a more comfortable and energy efficient working environment.

#### **Protecting our forests**

Really Good Stuff is reducing the size of their environmental footprint by purchasing from many print manufacturers that obtain tree fiber from sustainable sources. These sources are either certified by the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) or Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI). Look for the FSC or SFI logo on the print products that you purchase from us and know that together we are all doing our part to help sustain the environment!



