# VENDOR CONTRACT

Between

and

(Company Name)

# THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM (TIPS) For SOFTWARE #03071615

# **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 SOFTWARE 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 03071615". 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.)

We take the following exceptions/deviations to the <u>general</u> and/or <u>special terms and</u> <u>conditions</u>. 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:	

# The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS Cooperative) Supplier Response

Bid Informatio	n	Contact Info	ormation	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
Bid Number	03071615	Contact	Kim Thompson, Coordinator of Office	Department Building
Title Bid Type	Software RFP		Operations	Floor/Room
Issue Date	05/01/2015	Department		Telephone
Close Date Need by Date	6/12/2015 3:00:00 PM CT	Building		Fax Email
		Floor/Room		
		Telephone	+1 (866) 839-8477	
		Fax Email	+1 (866) 839-8472 bids@tips-usa.com	
Supplier Infor	mation			
Company Address	EST Group, LLC 1907 Ascension Blvd. Ste. 100			
Questa et	Arlington, TX 76006			

Contact Department Building Floor/Room Telephone 1 (817) 382 8000 Fax 1 Email Submitted 6/12/2015 2:06:56 PM CT Total \$0.00

Signature Mark Hanna

Email mhanna@est-grp.com

Supplier Notes

**Bid Notes** 

**Bid Activities** 

**Bid Messages** 

Date	Subject	Message
05/07/15	Pre-Bid Webinar	1. Click to start and join at the specified time and date: https://global.gotowebinar.com/ojoin/6725893313349788930/724887489667689990 Note: This link should not be shared with others; it is unique to you.
		2. Choose one of the following audio options:
		TO USE YOUR COMPUTER'S AUDIO: When the Webinar begins, you will be connected to audio using your computer's microphone and speakers (VoIP). A headset is recommended.
		OR
		TO USE YOUR TELEPHONE: If you prefer to use your phone, you must select "Use Telephone" after joining the webinar and call in using the numbers below.
		United States Long Distance: +1 (415) 655-0051 Access Code: 749-762-945 Audio PIN: Shown after joining the webinar
05/07/15	Pre-Bid Webinar	Time and date of the webinar: Friday, May 8, 2015 2:00 PM CST
05/13/15	Pre-Bid Webinar (Recorded)	If you missed the Pre-Bid Meeting or Webinar last week here is a link to the recorded webinar: https://www.tips-usa.com/prebidmeeting.html (You must have a video player plugin for your browser to view the recording.)
05/15/15	Pricing	There was not a pricing spreadsheet template uploaded to the "Attachments" tab. Responding vendor must create their own spreadsheet in Excel format and upload the document to the "Response Attachments" tab, pricing section.
06/04/15	Administrative Fee	There was a discrepancy in the Software RFP regarding the Administrative Fee. In all sections and attribute questions, the TIPS Administrative Fee should be 1%. If you answered Question #11 in the Attributes tab,"Pricing submitted includes a 2% TIPS participation fee?", with a "NO" because it showed 2% and not 1%, but you would be willing to pay a 1% Administrative Fee, please email the TIPS Office at bids@tips-usa.com notifying them of your agreement to pay 1%. If you checked "YES" to Question #11, no further action is necessary and you will only pay 1%. Please note: If you said, "NO" to Question #11 that you will not pay an Administrative Fee, a contract will not be awarded to your company. If you have any questions please contact the TIPS Office. Thank you.

\$	Name	Note	Response
I	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.	Yes
3	Yes - No	Certification of Residency (Required by the State of Texas) Company submitting bid is a Texas resident bidder?	Yes
ŀ	Company Residence (City)	Vendor's principal place of business is in the city of?	Arlington

5	Company Residence (State)	Vendor's principal place of business is in the state of?	Texas
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 - 8)	(No Response Required)
7	Yes - No	A publicly held corporation; therefore, this reporting requirement is not applicable?	No
8	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
9	Pricing Information:	Pricing information section. (Questions 10 - 13)	(No Response Required)
10	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
11	Yes - No	Pricing submitted includes the 2% TIPS participation fee?	Yes
12	Yes - No	Vendor agrees to remit to TIPS the required 2% participation fee?	Yes
13	Yes - No	Additional discounts to TIPS members for bulk quantities or scope of work?	No
14	Start Time	Average start time after receipt of customer order is working days?	30
15	Years Experience	Company years experience in this category?	10
16	Yes - No	The Vendor can provide services and/or products to all 50 US States?	Yes
17	States Served:	If answer is NO to question #16, please list which states can be served. (Example: AR, OK, TX)	

18	Company	and/or	Product	Description:
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This information will appear on the TIPS website in the company profile section, if awarded a TIPS contract. (Limit 750 characters.)

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

contract? (If applicable, vendor should download the

company, with a strong focus in providing integration and consulting services tailored around automating, managing, and securing your organization's IT environment. Our goal is for our clients to achieve maximum efficiency and productivity. We strive to provide the best experience our clients, partners, and employees have ever had with a consulting company. We target four vertical markets to provide a wide variety of services, in a niche-oriented form, in order to provide specialized IT services that are tailored to specific needs, whether it is automating the management of user accounts or adding several petabytes of data storage to your data center. Our four vertical markets include education solutions, commercial solutions, government solutions, and healthcare solutions. Our solutions are designed to meet the specific needs of our clients so that we can provide the best solutions that fit your environment.

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19 Resellers:

		Reseller/Dealers spreadsheet from the Attachments section, fill out the form and submit the document in the "Response Attachments" RESELLERS section.	
20	Primary Contact Name	Primary Contact Name	Mark Hanna
21	Primary Contact Title	Primary Contact Title	VP of Integration Sales
22	Primary Contact Email	Primary Contact Email	mhanna@est-grp.com
23	Primary Contact Phone	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)	8173828000
24	Primary Contact Fax	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)	8172104211
25	Primary Contact Mobile	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)	8178810376
26	Secondary Contact Name	Secondary Contact Name	Tim Spires
27	Secondary Contact Title	Secondary Contact Title	President
28	Secondary Contact Email	Secondary Contact Email	tspires@est-grp.com
29	Secondary Contact Phone	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)	8173828000
30	Secondary Contact Fax	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)	
31	Secondary Contact Mobile	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)	
32	2% Contact Name	2% Contact Name	Amanda Fullgium
33	2% Contact Email	2% Contact Email	financegroup@est-grp.com
34	2% Contact Phone	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)	8173828000

35	Purchase Order Contact:	This person is responsible for receiving Purchase Orders from TIPS. (Questions 36 - 38)	(No Response Required)
36	Purchase Order Contact Name	Purchase Order Contact Name	Amanda Fullgium
37	Purchase Order Contact Email	Purchase Order Contact Email	orders@est-grp.com
38	Purchase Order Contact Phone	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions)	8173828000
39	Company Website	Company Website (Format - www.company.com)	www.est-grp.com
40	Federal ID Number:	Federal ID Number also known as the Employer Identification Number. (Format - 12-3456789)	
41	Primary Address	Primary Address	1907 Ascension Blvd. Ste. 100
42	Primary Address City	Primary Address City	Arlington
43	Primary Address State	Primary Address State (2 Digit Abbreviation)	ТХ
44	Primary Address Zip	Primary Address Zip	76006
45	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.)	EST, Group, technology, consulting, Arlington, Texas, IT, online, student, registration, google, apps, provisioning, school, interoperability, framework, storage, protection, data, recovery, collaboration, identity, management, resource, virtualize, virtualization, servers, desktop, role, based, access, teachers, students, user, self, services, access, request, password, reset, entry, reduce, paper, registrar, tiering, email, BYOD, mobile app, password, self-service, self service, service, network, access, network access, access management, device, device management, enrollment, online enrollment, online, user provisioning, password self service
46	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.)	No
47	Prices are guaranteed for?	(Month(s), Year(s), or Term of Contract) (Standard term is "Term of Contract")	Term of Contract

Response Total:

#### Texas Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Certificate



Certificate/VID Number: File/Vendor Number: Approval Date: Scheduled Expiration Date:

1203330208900 044797 08-APR-2015 08-APR-2019

The Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (CPA), hereby certifies that

# **EST GROUP, LLC**

has successfully met the established requirements of the State of Texas Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Program to be recognized as a HUB. This certificate printed 10-APR-2015, supersedes any registration and certificate previously issued by the HUB Program. If there are any changes regarding the information (i.e., business structure, ownership, day-to-day management, operational control, business location) provided in the submission of the business' application for registration/certification as a HUB, you must immediately (within 30 days of such changes) notify the HUB Program in writing. The CPA reserves the right to conduct a compliance review at any time to confirm HUB eligibility. HUB certification may be suspended or revoked upon findings of ineligibility.

Paul A. Cibom

Paul Gibson, Statewide HUB Program Manager Texas Procurement and Support Services

Note: In order for State agencies and institutions of higher education (universities) to be credited for utilizing this business as a HUB, they must award payment under the Certificate/VID Number identified above. Agencies and universities are encouraged to validate HUB certification prior to issuing a notice of award by accessing the Internet (http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/cmbl/cmblhub.html) or by contacting the HUB Program at 1-888-863-5881 or 512-463-5872.

# 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

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

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

NO T.S. Initial of Authorized Company Official

YES Initial of Authorized Company Official

Tim Spires

Company Official:

EST Group, LLC

Company:

# **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:	EST Group, LLC
Mailing Address:	1907 Ascension Blvd. Ste. 100
City:	Arlington
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	76006
Zip:	(817) 382-8000
Telephone Number:	(817) 210-4211
Fax Number:	tspires@est-grp.com
Email Address:	
Authorized Signature:	hu pas
Printed Name:	Tim Spires
Position:	President

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.

Blende Mc Natt TIPS Authorized Signature David Wayne Fitts

Approved by Region VIII E

<u>7-16-15</u> Date

<u>7-16-15</u> Date

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
Plano ISD	Plano	ТХ	Dan Armstrong	469-752-8086
Eagle Mountain Saginaw ISD	Fort Worth	ТХ	Kirk Murdock	817-232-0880
UTA	Fort Worth	ТХ	Jason Hardy	817-272-7473



#### TIPS: Networking Equipment, Software and Services Deviations Attachment EST Group, LLC 06-12-15

EST Group values our relationship with TIPS and would like the opportunity to continue to provide Technology Consulting Services along with providing Software and Hardware where and when it is appropriate. We have several products we would like to list that will bring value to the School District. More importantly they will provide a vehicle in which there is a true ROI with the product implementation. However at this time providing exact pricing is difficult without comprehensive requirements gathering to insure we are meeting the goals and objectives the IT Organization has for the District. In light of that we will list these products and provide the best pricing available at the time of purchase because in many cases the current pricing will be more than the pricing next year. The following is a list of Software and Hardware we would like to market to the District.

Condrey Corporation File System Factory for Active Directory

Identity Automation Software

Dell/Compellent Storage Area Network

Dell Hardware/Software Current and Future Products

Dell/EqualLogic Storage Area Network

Dell KACE - Server/Desktop Management

**Dell Networking - Switching and Wireless** 

**Dell Servers and Blade Servers** 

Dell SonicWALL - Firewall

Microsoft - Exchange/Active Directory

Virtualization

VMWare for Server Virtualization

Thank you for providing an opportunity to provide Deviation from the RFP. Because of the nature of the goods and services we provide to TIPS it is difficult to provide pricing without requirements gathering. We hope this will fulfill the response obligations for the RFP and keep us in good standing with Purchasing. We welcome the opportunity to provide any additional information.

Sincerely,

B.J. Tucker, VP of Infrastructure Sales