# **VENDOR CONTRACT**

# Between

and

(Company Name)

# THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM (TIPS)

For

# **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 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 participation fee to be remitted to TIPS by the Vendor. Vendor will not show adding the fee to the invoice presented to customer. The normal fee is 2%, but can be negotiated with the Vendor.

#### **Participation Fees**

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

#### 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". 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.

# **Survival Clause**

All applicable software license agreements, warranties or service agreements that were entered into between Vendor and Customer under the terms and conditions of the Contract shall survive the expiration or termination of the Contract. All Purchase Orders issued and accepted by Order Fulfiller shall survive expiration or termination of the Contract.

#### 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 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:	

# The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS Cooperative) Supplier Response

Bid Information		Contact Info	ormation	Ship to Information
Bid Creator Email	Mr. David Mabe General Manager 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	160902 Addendum 1	Contact	Kim Thompson, TIPS Office Manager	Department Building
Title	Grounds Management		Onice Manager	<u> </u>
	Goods and/or Services	Department	t	Floor/Room
Bid Type Issue Date	RFP 9/1/2016 08:01 AM (CT)	Building		Telephone Fax
Close Date	10/14/2016 03:00:00 PM (CT)	Floor/Room	1	Email
Need by Date		Telephone		
		Fax Email	+1 (866) 839-8472 bids@tips-usa.com	
Supplier Infor	mation			
Company Address	Shields & Associates, Inc. 116 Challain Drive			
	Little Rock, AR 72223			
Contact Department Building Floor/Room				
Telephone	1 (501) 8681313			
Fax Email	1 (501) 8681313			
Submitted Total	10/11/2016 04:59:13 PM (CT) \$0.00			
By submitting your response, you certify that you are authorized to represent and bind your company.				
Signature Be	en Shields		Email ben@	shieldsteam.com

Supplier Notes

**Bid Notes** 

**Bid Activities** 

**Bid Messages** 

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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.	Νο
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	The Vendor can provide services and/or products to all 50 US States?	No
4	States Served:	If answer is NO to question #3, please list which states can be served. (Example: AR, OK, TX)	AR, OK, LA, MS, TN, TX, MO
5	Company and/or Product Description:	This information will appear on the TIPS website in the company profile section, if awarded a TIPS contract. (Limit 750 characters.)	Shields & Associates, Inc. is general contractor based in Little Rock providing construction and maintenance services in Arkansas and surrounding states - specific services include grounds maintenance, athletic complex construction, landscape installation, civil construction and building construction
6	Primary Contact Name	Primary Contact Name	Ben Shields
7	Primary Contact Title	Primary Contact Title	President
8	Primary Contact Email	Primary Contact Email	ben@shieldsteam.com
9	Primary Contact Phone	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	5018681313
10	Primary Contact Fax	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	5018681116
11	Primary Contact Mobile	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	5019519078
12	Secondary Contact Name	Secondary Contact Name	Grant Swede
13	Secondary Contact Title	Secondary Contact Title	Business Development Manager
14	Secondary Contact Email	Secondary Contact Email	grant@shieldsteam.com
15	Secondary Contact Phone	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	5015293822
16	Secondary Contact Fax	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	5018681116
17	Secondary Contact Mobile	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	5015293822
18	Admin Fee Contact Name	Admin Fee Contact Name. This person is responsible for paying the admin fee to TIPS.	Ben Shields

19	Admin Fee Contact Email	Admin Fee Contact Email	ben@shieldsteam.com
20	Admin Fee Contact Phone	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	5018681313
21	Purchase Order Contact Name	Purchase Order Contact Name. This person is responsible for receiving Purchase Orders from TIPS.	Ben Shields
22	Purchase Order Contact Email	Purchase Order Contact Email	ben@shieldsteam.com
23	Purchase Order Contact Phone	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	5018681313
24	Company Website	Company Website (Format - www.company.com)	www.shieldsteam.com
25	Federal ID Number:	Federal ID Number also known as the Employer Identification Number. (Format - 12-3456789)	76-0813221
26	Primary Address	Primary Address	116 Challain Drive
27	Primary Address City	Primary Address City	Little Rock
28	Primary Address State	Primary Address State (2 Digit Abbreviation)	AR
29	Primary Address Zip	Primary Address Zip	72223
30	Search Words:	Please list search words to be posted in the TIPS database about your company that TIPS website users might search. Words may be product names, manufacturers, or other words associated with the category of award. YOU MAY NOT LIST NON-CATEGORY ITEMS. (Limit 500 words) (Format: product, paper, construction, manufacturer name, etc.)	Construction, maintenance, roofing, sitework, landscape, duro-last, repair, carpentry, parking lots, demolition, athletic fields, storm drainage, sodding, irrigation, site concrete, windows, drywall, painting, pre-engineered buildings, fences, retaining wall, paving, seal coating, stripping, mowing, curb and gutter, rcp, handrails, masonry, structural steel, cabinets, countertops, caulking, insulation, EIFS, siding, metal flashings, wood doors, hardware, glass, mirrors, ceilings, flooring, tile floors,
31	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)	Yes
32	Yes - No	Certification of Residency (Required by the State of Texas) Company submitting bid is a Texas resident bidder?	No
33	Company Residence (City)	Vendor's principal place of business is in the city of?	Little Rock
34	Company Residence (State)	Vendor's principal place of business is in the state of?	Arkansas
35	Felony Conviction Notice:	(Required by the State of Texas) My firm is, as outlined on PAGE 5 in the Instructions to Bidders document: (Questions 36 - 37)	(No Response Required)
36	Yes - No	A publicly held corporation; therefore, this reporting requirement is not applicable?	No
37	Yes - No	Is owned or operated by individual(s) who has/have been convicted of a felony? 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

38	Pricing Information:	Pricing information section. (Questions 39 - 42)	(No Response Required)
39	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
40	Yes - No	Pricing submitted includes the TIPS administration fee?	Yes
41	Yes - No	Vendor agrees to remit to TIPS the required administration fee?	Yes
42	Yes - No	Additional discounts to TIPS members for bulk quantities or scope of work?	Yes
43	Start Time	Average start time after receipt of customer order is working days?	10
44	Years Experience	Company years experience in this category?	10
45	Resellers:	Does the vendor have resellers that it will name under this 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.	No
46	Prices are guaranteed for?	(Month(s),Year(s), or Term of Contract) (Standard term is "Term of Contract")	Term of Contract

Response Total:

# **References**

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

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	email	Phone
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You may provide other references below or affixed to this document with this sheet.

### CHILD SUPPORT AFFIDAVIT

"Under Texas Family Code, Section 14.52 (amended section 231.006) applies to all contracts to provide property, materials, or services paid from state funds.

- (a) A child support obligor who is more than 30 days delinquent in paying child support and a business entity in which the obligor is a sole proprietor, partner, shareholder, or owner with an ownership interest of at least 25 percent is not eligible to receive payments from state funds under a contract to provide property, materials, or services.
- (b) "Under Section 231.006, Family code, the vendor or applicant certifies that the individual or business entity named in this contract, bid, or application is not ineligible to receive the specified grant, loan, or payment and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment may be withheld if this certification is inaccurate."
- (c) "The vendor or applicant certifies that the individual or business entity named in this contract, bid, or application is not ineligible."

To comply with section 14.52, the affidavit attached to the RFP must be signed by the person who is authorized to sign and submit a bid, and thereby bind this bidder, and it must be returned with the bid packet.

## A FAILURE TO SIGN AND RETURN THIS AFFIDAVIT WITH THE BID WILL **RESULT IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF THE BID.**

I, \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ am authorized to sign this bid on behalf of (Name and Title)

(Name of Bidder)

(type of business: sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation, or other)

I certify that no

(sole proprietor for sole proprietorship, or partner for partnership, or majority shareholder for a corporation, or 25% or more owner for other entity)

is 30 days or more delinquent in child support payments required by court order or written repayment agreement.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_ Ben Strield

# Antitrust Certification Statements (Tex. Govern.ment Code § 2155.005)

I affirm under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of Texas that:

(1) I am duly authorized to execute this contract on my own behalf or on behalf of the company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual (Company) listed below;

(2) In connection with this bid, neither I nor any representative of the Company has violated any provision of the Texas Free Enterprise and Antitrust Act, Tex. Bus. & Comm. Code Chapter 15;

(3) In connection with this bid, neither I nor any representative of the Company has violated any federal antitrust law;

and

(4) Neither I nor any representative of the Company has directly or indirectly communicated any of the contents of this bid to a competitor of the Company or any other company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual engaged in the same line of business as the Company.

Company name	
Address	
City/State/Zip	
Phone No.	
Fax No.	
Email address	
Printed name:	
Position title:	
Authorized signature	e:Ken Lield
Date:	

#### TO BE SIGNED AND RETURNED

#### **CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY**

The State of Texas has passed a law concerning non-resident contractors. This law can be found in Texas Government Code under Chapter 2252, Subchapter A. This law makes it necessary to determine the residency of its offerors. In part, this law reads as follows:

Section: 2252.001

- (3) Non-resident bidder' refers to a person who is not a resident.
- (4) Resident bidder's refers to a person whose principal place of business is in this state, including a contractor whose ultimate parent company or majority owner has its principal place of business in this state.

Section: 2252.002 A governmental entity may not award a governmental contract to a nonresident bidder unless the nonresident underbids the lowest bid submitted by a responsible resident bidder by an amount that is not less than the amount by which a resident bidder would be required to underbid the nonresident bidder to obtain a comparable contract in the state in which the nonresident's principal place of business is located."

(Name and address of Company Bidding)

is, under Section: 2252.001 (3) and (4), a

My principal place of business under Tex. Gov't Code, Section: 2252.001 (3) and (4), is in the city

of\_\_\_\_\_\_in the state of\_\_\_\_\_\_

If NOT a resident company of the State of Texas, does your company employee 500 or more people within the State of Texas.

YES\_\_\_\_\_

Ben Stueld

Signature of Authorized Company Representative

Print Name\_\_\_\_\_

Title	Date

NO\_\_\_\_\_

# **Non-Discrimination Statement and Certification**

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity (including gender expression), sexual orientation, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity, in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA (not all bases apply to all programs). Remedies and complaint filing deadlines vary by program or incident.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.) should contact the responsible Agency or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program discrimination complaint, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, AD-3027, found online at How to File a Program Discrimination Complaint and at any USDA office or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by: (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

*Title VI of the Education Amendments of 1972; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975; Title 7 CFR Parts 15, 15a, and 15b; the Americans with Disabilities Act; and FNS Instruction 113-1, Civil Rights Compliance and Enforcement – Nutrition Programs and Activities* 

USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

I certify that in the performance of a contract with TIPS or its members, that our company will conform to the foregoing anti-discrimination statement and comply with the cited law and regulations.

Company Name\_\_\_\_\_
Print name of authorized representative\_\_\_\_\_
Signature of authorized representative

Date\_\_\_\_\_

#### Notice to Vendors Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statements Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 176 for Education Service Center and TIPS

Vendors are required to file a Conflict of Interest Questionnaire (Form CIQ) with the District <u>if an employment or business relationship</u> or <u>family relationship exists</u> between the vendor and a local government officer ("LGO") of the District or a family member of the LGO. <u>THERE ARE POTENTIAL CRIMINAL PENALTIES FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH TEX. LOCAL GOVT. CODE</u> <u>CHAPTER 176</u>. Certain terms used herein are defined in Chapter 176. Vendors are encouraged to review and become familiar with all disclosure requirements of Chapter 176 and Form CIQ. The information contained herein is for information purposes only and shall not be construed as legal advice. "Vendor" means a person who enters or seeks to enter into a contract with a local governmental entity. The term includes an agent (including an employee) of a vendor.

#### A vendor is required to file a completed Form CIQ if the vendor has a business relationship with C-FB ISD (the "District") and:

- 1. has an employment or other business relationship with a Local Government Officer ("LGO") of the District, or a family member of the LGO;
- has given a LGO of the District, or a family member of the LGO, one or more gifts that have the aggregate value of more than \$100 in the 12-month period specified in Loc. Govt. Code Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding any gift described by Section 176.003(a-1); or
- 3. has a family relationship with a LGO of the District.

#### Form CIQ must be filed with the appropriate District records administrator:

- 1. Not later than the seventh business day after the later of:
  - (1) the date that the vendor:
    - (A) begins discussions or negotiations to enter into a contract with the District; or
    - (B) submits to the District an application, response to a request for proposals or bids, correspondence, or other writing related to a potential contract with the District; or
    - (2) the date the vendor becomes aware:
      - (A) of an employment or other business relationship with a LGO, or a family member of the LGO;
      - (B) that the vendor has given one or more gifts described above; or
      - (C) of a family relationship with a LGO.
- 2. The vendor also shall file an updated completed questionnaire (Form CIQ) not later than the seventh business day after the date on which the vendor becomes aware of an event that would make a statement in the questionnaire in complete or inaccurate

#### Local Government Officers (LGOs) of the Education Service Center Region 8 and TIPS as of September 01, 2016, include:

- 1. Members of the Education Service Center Region 8 and TIPS Board of Trustees: curretn list found at http:// www.reg8.net/106311\_2
- 2. Executive Director: Dr. David Fitts
- 3. An employee of Education Service Center Region 8 and TIPS who exercises discretion in the planning, recommending, selecting, or contracting of a vendor.a list may be found at http://www.reg8.net/80336\_2

If you are required to file a Conflict of Interest Questionnaire (Form CIQ), upload the with your proposal.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE For vendor doing business with local governmental entity	FORM CIQ			
This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.	OFFICE USE ONLY			
This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a vendor who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the vendor meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).	Date Received			
By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. <i>See</i> Section 176.006(a-1), Local Government Code.				
A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor.				
1 Name of vendor who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.				
2 Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire. (The law re completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th busines you became aware that the originally filed questionnaire was incomplete or inaccurate.)	s day after the date on which			
3 Name of local government officer about whom the information is being disclosed.				
Name of Officer				
Describe each employment or other business relationship with the local government offi officer, as described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A). Also describe any family relationship wit Complete subparts A and B for each employment or business relationship described. Attac CIQ as necessary.	h the local government officer.			
A. Is the local government officer or a family member of the officer receiving or li other than investment income, from the vendor?	ikely to receive taxable income,			
Yes No				
B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer or a family member of the officer AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity?				
Yes No				
5 Describe each employment or business relationship that the vendor named in Section 1 maintains with a corporation or other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership interest of one percent or more.				
6 Check this box if the vendor has given the local government officer or a family member as described in Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding gifts described in Section 176.0				
Signature of vendor doing business with the governmental entity	Date			

# CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

A complete copy of Chapter 176 of the Local Government Code may be found at http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/ Docs/LG/htm/LG.176.htm. For easy reference, below are some of the sections cited on this form.

Local Government Code § 176.001(1-a): "Business relationship" means a connection between two or more parties based on commercial activity of one of the parties. The term does not include a connection based on:

(A) a transaction that is subject to rate or fee regulation by a federal, state, or local governmental entity or an agency of a federal, state, or local governmental entity;

(B) a transaction conducted at a price and subject to terms available to the public; or

(C) a purchase or lease of goods or services from a person that is chartered by a state or federal agency and that is subject to regular examination by, and reporting to, that agency.

#### Local Government Code § 176.003(a)(2)(A) and (B):

(a) A local government officer shall file a conflicts disclosure statement with respect to a vendor if:

(2) the vendor:

(A) has an employment or other business relationship with the local government officer or a family member of the officer that results in the officer or family member receiving taxable income, other than investment income, that exceeds \$2,500 during the 12-month period preceding the date that the officer becomes aware that

 $(\bar{\textbf{i}})$  a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or

(ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor;

(B) has given to the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts that have an aggregate value of more than \$100 in the 12-month period preceding the date the officer becomes aware that:

- (i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or
- (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor.

#### Local Government Code § 176.006(a) and (a-1)

(a) A vendor shall file a completed conflict of interest questionnaire if the vendor has a business relationship with a local governmental entity and:

(1) has an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A);

(2) has given a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, one or more gifts with the aggregate value specified by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding any gift described by Section 176.003(a-1); or

(3) has a family relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity.

(a-1) The completed conflict of interest questionnaire must be filed with the appropriate records administrator not later than the seventh business day after the later of:

(1) the date that the vendor:

(A) begins discussions or negotiations to enter into a contract with the local governmental entity; or

(B) submits to the local governmental entity an application, response to a request for proposals or bids, correspondence, or another writing related to a potential contract with the local governmental entity; or

(2) the date the vendor becomes aware:

(A) of an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer, or a family member of the officer, described by Subsection (a);

(B) that the vendor has given one or more gifts described by Subsection (a); or

(C) of a family relationship with a local government officer.

#### Contract Terms and Conditions Please initial your answer and sign on page 2 or 2 of this section

#### Indemnification

The ESC Region 8 and TIPS is a Texas Political Subdivision and a local governmental entity; therefore, is prohibited from indemnifying third parties pursuant to the Texas Constitution (Article 3, Section 52) except as specifically provided by law or as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction. A provision in a contract to indemnify or hold a party harmless is a promise to pay for any expenses the indemnified party incurs, if a specified event occurs, such as breaching the terms of the contract or negligently performing duties under the contract. Article <u>III</u>, Section <u>49</u> of the Texas Constitution states that "no debt shall be created by or on behalf of the State ... " The Attorney General has counseled that a contract clauses which require the System or institutions to indemnify must be deleted or qualified with "to the extent permitted by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Texas." Liquidated damages, attorney's fees, waiver of vendor's liability, and waiver of statutes of limitations clauses should also be deleted or qualified with "to the extent permitted by the Constitutions clauses should also be deleted or qualified with "to the extent of Texas."

Not a negotiable term.	ailure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered. Do you agree
to these terms? YES	NO

#### Remedies

The parties shall be entitled to exercise any right or remedy available to it either at law or in equity, subject to the choice of law, venue and service of process clauses limitations agreed herein. Nothing in this agreement shall commit the TIPS to an arbitration resolution of any disagreement under any circumstances. Any Claim arising out of or related to the Contract, except for those specifically waived under the terms of the Contract, may, after denial of the Board of Directors, be subject to mediation at the request of either party. Any issues not resolved hereunder must be referred to non-binding mediation to be conducted by a mutually agreed upon mediator as a prerequisite to the filing of any lawsuit over such issue(s). The parties shall share the mediator's fee and any associated filing fee equally. Mediation shall be held in Camp or Titus County, Texas. Agreements reached in mediation shall be reduced to writing, and will be subject to the approval by the District's Board of Directors, signed by the Parties if approved by the Board of Directors, and, if signed, shall thereafter be enforceable as provided by the laws of the State of Texas.

Do you agree to these terms? YES\_\_\_\_\_NO '''''''''If you do not, please reference objection in Deviation form section

#### **Choice of Law**

This agreement and any addenda or other additions and all contracts or awards resulting from this procurement process, however described, shall be governed by, construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, regardless of any conflict of laws principles.

Not a negotiable term. Failure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered. Do you agree to these terms? YES\_\_\_\_\_NO\_\_\_\_

#### **Jurisdiction and Service of Process**

Any Proceeding arising out of or relating to this procurement process or any contract resulting from or any contemplated transaction shall be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction in Camp County, Texas and each of the parties irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of said court in any such proceeding, waives any objection it may now or hereafter have to venue or to convenience of forum, agrees that all claims in respect of the Proceeding shall be heard and determined only in any such court, and agrees not to bring any proceeding arising out of or relating to this procurement process or any contract resulting from or any contemplated transaction in any other court. The parties agree that either or both of them may file a copy of this paragraph with any court as written evidence of the knowing, voluntary and freely bargained for agreement between the parties irrevocably to waive any objections to venue or to convenience of forum. Process in any Proceeding referred to in the first sentence of this Section may be served on any party anywhere in the world.

# Not a negotiable term Failure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered. Do you agree to these terms? YES\_\_\_\_\_NO\_\_\_\_\_

#### **Alternative Dispute Resolution**

Prior to filing of litigation, the parties may select non-binding mediation as a method of conflict resolution for issues arising out of or relating to this procurement process or any contract resulting from or any contemplated transaction. The parties agree that if nonbinding mediation is chosen as a resolution process, the parties must agree to the chosen mediator(s) and that all mediation venue shall be at a location in Camp or Titus, County, Texas agreed by the parties. The parties agree to share equally the cost of the mediation process and venue cost.

**Do you agree to these terms?** YES NO\_\_\_\_\_If you do not, please reference objection in Deviation form section Page 1 of 2 Terms and Conditions

#### Infringement(s)

The successful vendor will be expected to indemnify and hold harmless the TIPS and its employees, officers, agents, representatives, contractors, assignees and designees from any and all third party claims and judgments involving infringement of patent, copyright, trade secrets, trade or service marks, and any other intellectual or intangible property rights in connection with the vendor's proposal or ultimate contracts awarded and approved. **BS** 

Do you agree to these terms?	YES	_NO	_If you do not, please reference objection in Deviation
form section			

#### **Acts or Omissions**

The successful vendor will be expected to indemnify and hold harmless the TIPS, its officers, employees, agents, representatives, contractors, assignees and designees from and against any and all liability, actions, claims, demands or suits, and all related costs, attorney's fees and expenses arising out of, or resulting from any acts or omissions of the vendor or its agents, employees, subcontractors, or suppliers in the execution or performance of any agreements ultimately made by TIPS and the vendor.

BS Do you agree to these terms? YES\_\_\_\_\_NO\_\_\_\_If you do not, please reference objection in Deviation form section

#### **Contract Governance**

Any contract made or entered into by the TIPS is subject to and is to be governed by Section 271.151 et seq, Tex Loc Gov't Code. Otherwise, TIPS does not waive its governmental immunities from suit or liability except to the extent expressly waived by other applicable laws in clear and unambiguous language.

Not a negotiable term. Failure to Bere will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered. Do you agree to these terms? YES\_\_\_\_\_NO\_\_\_Not a negotiable term.

#### **Payment Terms**

TIP's members pay net 30 or at point of sale and complies with the State of Texas payment law, Texas Government Code, Chapter 2251. See statute for specifics or consult your legal counsel.

These are minimum terms required of the TIPS by law and the parties may negotiate custom payment terms as desired provided they do not violate the statutory requirements.

#### **Funding Out Clause**

Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Sec. 271.903, any proposal offer accepted by TIPS and its members and all contracts to be approved are subject to the budgeting and appropriation of then currently available funds. See statute for specifics or consult your legal counsel.

Not a negotiable term.	Failure top	gree will render	your proposal non-resp	onsive and it will not be considered.
Do you agree to these to	erms? YE <mark>S</mark>	NO	Not a negotiable term	n.

Signature below certifie	s accuracy of a	answers to all section	ons on page 1	and 2 of this document.
Signature below certifie	Bin	Aneld		
Authorized Signature	•			

Printed Name

Company Name and address:

Telephone Number		Date	
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# **DEVIATION/COMPLIANCE SIGNATURE FORM**

#### TIPS

CITY	STATE
FAX NUMBER	

Name and signature of authorized official

If the undersigned bidder intends to deviate from the General Conditions Standard Terms and Conditions or Item Specifications listed in this bid invitation, all such deviations must be listed on this page, with complete and detailed conditions and information included or attached. The District will consider any deviations in its bid award decisions, and the District reserves the right to accept or reject any bid based upon any deviations indicated below or in any attachments or inclusions.

In the absence of any deviation entry on this form, the bidder assures the District of their full compliance with the Standard

Terms and Conditions, Item Specifications, and all other information contained in this Bid Invitation.

No, Deviation

Yes, Deviations

If yes is checked, please list below. Or attach to this form by stapling your deviations

#### **Insurance and Fingerprint Requirements**

#### Insurance

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

#### FINGERPRINT

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

If the vendor has staff that meet both of these criterion-

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

(2) has or will have direct contact with students

Then you have "covered" employees for purposes of completing the attached form.

TIPS recommends all vendors consult their legal counsel for guidance in compliance with this law. If you have questions on how to comply, see below. If you have questions on compliance with this code section, contact the Texas Department of Public Safety Non-Criminal Justice Unit, Access and Dissemination Bureau, FAST-FACT at NCJU@txdps.state.tx.us and you should send an email identifying you as a contractor to a Texas Independent School District. Texas DPS phone# is 512-424-2474

See form below to complete entitled:

Texas Education Code Chapter 22 Contractor Certification for Contractor Employees

#### **Texas Education Code Chapter 22 Contractor Certification for Contractor Employees**

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

Definitions: Covered employees: Employees of a contractor or subcontractor who have or will have continuing duties related to the service to be performed at the District and have or will have direct contact with students. The District will be the final arbiter of what constitutes direct contact with students. Disqualifying criminal history: Any conviction or other criminal history information designated by the District, or one of the following offenses, if at the time of the offense, the victim was under 18 or enrolled in a public school:

(a) a felony offense under Title 5, Texas Penal Code; (b) an offense for which a defendant is required to register as a sex offender under Chapter 62, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure; or (c) an equivalent offense under federal law or the laws of another state.

On behalf of. Shields & Associates, Inc. ("Contractor"), I certify that

[check one below]:

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

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[ ] Some or all of the employees of Contractor and any subcontractor are *covered employees*. If this box is checked, I further certify that:

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

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

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

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

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

Company name

Printed name of Company Representative:		
Ben Streld		
Signature	.Date	

For additional information on how to comply with this statute, please contact Richard Powell at TIPS.

# NON-COLLUSIVE BIDDING CERTIFICATE

By submission of this bid or proposal, the Bidder certifies that:

- 1. This bid or proposal has been independently arrived at without collusion with any other Bidder or with any Competitor;
- 2. This bid or proposal has not been knowingly disclosed and will not be knowingly disclosed, prior to the opening of bids, or proposals for this project, to any other Bidder, Competitor or potential competitor:
- 3. No attempt has been or will be made to induce any other person, partnership or corporation to submit or not to submit a bid or proposal;
- 4. The person signing this bid or proposal certifies that he has fully informed himself regarding the accuracy of the statements contained in this certification, and under the penalties being applicable to the Bidder as well as to the person signing in its behalf.

Signature below certifies accuracy of answers to all sections on this page.

Authorized Signature	Den	dullas	
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Printed Name	
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Company Name and address:

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

#### FELONY CONVICTION NOTICE

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

State of Texas Legislative Senate Bill No. 1, Section 44.034, Notification of Criminal History, Subsection (a), states "a person or business entity that enters into a contract with a school district must give advance notice to the district if the person or an owner or operator of the business entity has been convicted of a felony. The notice must include a general description of the conduct resulting in the conviction of a felony."

Subsection (b) states "a school district may terminate a contract with a person or business entity if the district determines that the person or business entity failed to give notice as required by Subsection (a) or misrepresented the conduct resulting in the conviction. The district must compensate the person or business entity for services performed before the termination of the contract."

#### THIS NOTICE IS NOT REQUIRED OF A PUBLICLY-HELD CORPORATION

Complete only one of the three below: A <u>or</u> B <u>or</u> C.

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

Official:\_\_\_\_\_

Print Authorized Company Official's Name

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

Signature of Authorized Company Official:

B. My firm is not owned nor operated by anyone wh	no has been convi	cted of a felony:
B. My firm is not owned nor operated by anyone wh	Ben	Aneld
Signature of Authorized Company Official:	•	$\sim$

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

Name of Felon(s):

Details of Conviction(s):

Signature of Authorized Company Official: \_\_\_\_\_

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

#### IF OFFERER IS A CORPORATION,

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

**OFFERER:** 

(Name of Corporation)

I, certify that I am the Secretary of \_(Name of Corporate Secretary)

the Corporation named as OFFERER herein above; that

(Name of person who completed proposal document)

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

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

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

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CORPORATE SEAL

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SIGNATURE

DATE

#### 2 CFR PART 200 Contract Provisions

# <u>Required Federal contract provisions of Federal Regulations for Contracts</u> for contracts with Education Service Center Region 8 TIPS (TIPS Members)

The following provisions are required to be in place and agreed if the procurement is funded with federal funds. The TIPS MEMBER is the subgrantee or Subrecipient by definition. The federal Rule numbering or identification below is only for reference purpose on this form and does not identify an actual Federal designation or location of the rule. The Rules are located in 2 CFR PART 200.

#### Appendix II to Part 200—Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards 2 CFR PART 200

In addition to other provisions required by the Federal agency or non-Federal entity, all contracts made by the non-Federal entity under the Federal award must contain provisions covering the following, as applicable.

Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$150,000, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate

(A) Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$150,000, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate.

Notice: Pursuant to Federal Rule (A) above, when federal funds are expended by a TIPS MEMBER, the 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.

Mandatory -Failure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and will not be considered for award.

BS

Does vendor agree? YES \_\_\_\_\_ Initial of Authorized Company Official

# (B) 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 (B) above, when federal funds are expended by a TIPS MEMBER, theTIPS 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. The vendor would be compensated for work performed and goods procured as of the termination date if for convenience of the TIPS MEMBER. 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.

Mandatory -Failure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and will not be considered for award.

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 Does vendor agree? YES \_\_\_\_\_

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

Pursuant to Federal Rule (G) above, when federal funds are expended by a TIPS MEMBER, the 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 agrees to the terms listed and referenced therein.

Mandatory -Failure to certify will render your proposal non-responsive and will not be considered for award.

 BS

 Does vendor so certify? YES \_\_\_\_\_\_ Initial of Authorized Company Official

(H) Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689)—A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the governmentwide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.

Pursuant to Federal Rule (H) above, when federal funds are expended a TIPS MEMBER, the TIPS MEMBER requires the proposer certify that during the term of an award by the TIPS MEMBER resulting for this procurement process the vendor certifies that they are not debarred from receiving a contract from the federal government as provided therein.

Mandatory -Failure to certify will render your proposal non-responsive and will not be considered for award.

 Does vendor so certify? YES \_\_\_\_\_
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(I) Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352)—Contractors that apply or bid for an award exceeding \$100,000 must file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award.

Pursuant to Federal Rule (I) above, when federal funds are expended a TIPS MEMBER, the 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 certifies to the terms included or referenced therein

Mandatory -Failure to certify will render your proposal non-responsive and will not be considered for award.

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 Does vendor so certify? YES \_\_\_\_\_\_
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Federal Rule Compliance with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857(h)), section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR part 15). (Contracts, subcontracts, and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$100,000)

Pursuant to Federal immediately above, when federal funds are expended by a TIPS MEMBER, the 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).

Mandatory -Failure to certify will render your proposal non-responsive and will not be considered for award.

BS Does vendor so certify? YES \_\_\_\_\_ 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 a TIPS MEMBER, the 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).

Mandatory -Failure to certify will render your proposal non-responsive and will not be considered for award.

BS

Does vendor so certify? YES \_\_\_\_\_ Initial of Authorized Company Official

#### 2 CFR Ch. II (1–1–15 Edition) § 200.322 Procurement of recovered materials.

A non-Federal entity that is a state agency or agency of a political subdivision of a state and its contractors must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the

Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

# Does your company comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ BS OR NO\_\_\_\_\_

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Proposer's signature below affirms that they are authorized to answer the questions in this section entitled, "<u>Required Federal</u> <u>contract provisions of Federal Regulations for Contracts for contracts with Education Service Center Region 8 (TIPS)</u>" for the proposing company.

Company Name
Print name of authorized representative
Signature of authorized representative Ben Suels

Date\_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

Name of company claiming confidential status of material

Printed Name, Title, and Signature of authorized company officer claiming confidential status of material

Address	City	State	ZIP	Phone
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**Express Waiver:** I desire to expressly waive any claim of confidentiality as to any and all information contained within our response to the competitive procurement process (e.g. RFP, CSP, Bid, RFQ, etc.) by completing the following and submitting this sheet with our response to Education Service Center Region 8 and TIPS.

Name of company expressly waiving confidential status of material Ben Auela

Printed Name, Title, and Signature of authorized company officer expressly waiving confidential status of material

Address



# **Limited Warranty Agreement**

Shields & Associates, Inc. is pleased to provide a warranty as follows:

This warranty is in lieu of any other warranty, express or implied. Any implied warranties, including but not limited to, the implied warranty of merchantability, fitness for a particular purpose, habitability, and any UCC warranties are waived

This warranty shall be null and void and Shields & Associates, Inc. shall not be liable for any damages or expenses, if the Owner does not first grant Contractor access to the premises and the opportunity of Contractor to inspect, correct or replace alleged defective items, before Owner incurs expenses or has work done by a replacement contractor.

# What is covered

Contractor warrants that the improvements constructed are reasonably free of defects and within customary tolerances of construction industry. "Customary tolerances of the construction industry" means tolerances common and expected in the construction industry and guaranteed to be performed by a skillful and professional contractor. This warranty also covers work under customary tolerances for all subcontractors and other trades people under contract with the Contractor, including the crew of the Contractor.

Contractor further warrants and guarantees that the work reasonably conforms to the requirements of the contract documents, drawings, plans, and specifications. If any defects are found, contractor shall repair or replace any of the alleged defective work at its cost. The work to be corrected will be the particular part or area that is defective. Contractor shall start corrective work within a reasonable time after written notice from the owner. Contractor shall have the option or repairing or replacing, at its election.

# Term of Warranty – One Year

This warranty, as well as the statute of limitations for any claim of damages for defective work or materials, is one year from substantial completion, defined as the earlier of: 1) the date of final acceptance by the building inspection department, or 2) the date Owner first moves into the property. If contractor performs warranty work within this period, this warranty shall be extended to the repaired or replaced work itself and be covered for one year after completion, as to that specific work.



# Transferability

This warranty applies to the original owner and may be transferred to any subsequent owner within the initial one-year period after substantial completion.

# **Equipment, Material, and Appliances**

Contractor hereby assigns (to the extent they are assignable) and conveys to Owner all manufacturers' and suppliers' warranties, together with operating instructions if available, on all goods, material, equipment and appliances provided to Contractor

Contractor has provided certain material, equipment, appliances, and goods that have been manufactured and or furnished by third party vendors, supply houses, lumberyards, distributors, and manufacturers ("products"). Contractor will use its best efforts so that such products are new and purchased from reputable suppliers. Contractor also agrees to properly install such materials.

In the event a product is considered defective by Owner, contractor shall use its best efforts to contact the supplier or manufacture and receive a free replacement. Contractor shall then within a reasonable time reinstall that new product without charge.

Contractor did not manufacture such products. Contractor warrants its services and workmanship only. Accordingly, contractor cannot warrant or guarantee these products themselves. Contractor will not be liable for latent defects in any product (not observable on reasonable inspection). Owner's sole remedy for defective products, other than the obligation of Contractor to replace same, is against such third party vendors and their warranties, if any. This limitation still applies and a warranty is not deemed made, even if Contractor has furnished owner with product brochures, literature, or samples. Nor shall Contractor be liable for dangerous products, design defects in products, or defective warnings. However, Contractor shall lend assistance in settling any claim resulting from defects in these products.

# How to Obtain Service

If a problem develops during the warranty period, Owner shall notify Contractor in **writing** of the specific problem. Owner shall give such notice promptly after first discovering the condition. Contractor will begin performing the obligations under this warranty within a reasonable time of receipt of such a request and will diligently pursue these obligations.



Repair work will be done during Contractor's normal working hours, except where delay will cause additional damage. Owner also agrees to provide the presence (during the work) of a responsible adult with the authority to approve the repair and sign an acceptance of repair on completion.

There shall be no charge for the costs and expenses of examination or inspection by the Contractor, whether not a defect is found of later repaired or replaced. The work will be done either by Contractor's crew or whatever competent workmen or subcontractors are designated by Contractor.

Contractor has sole discretion as between repair or replacement. All efforts shall be made for a reasonable match, and to repair or replace in the event the original item is no longer available.

# Remedies

With respect to any claim asserted by Owner, it is understood there is no right to recover or request compensation for: incidental, indirect, special, consequential, secondary, or punitive damages; loss of use; diminution in value; rental costs; moving costs; delay in occupancy; construction, mortgage loan, or line of credit interest charges; mortgage interest rate increases; lost profits or income; medical costs; damages for mental distress, aggravation, personal injury; or pain and suffering.

Owner should notify Contractor within a reasonable period after first knowledge of problem, not to exceed 60 days. To be covered, the physical signs of the problem must be observable and have started to cause damage before the one-year period expires.

# What Is Not Covered

This limited warranty does not cover the following items:

- 1. Damage or defects caused by the failure to maintain any item or keep it in good working order.
- 2. Damage resulting from fire, freezing, storms, electrical malfunction or surge, lightening, earthquake, pest damage, acts of God, or other unforeseen causes or accidents.
- 3. Damage from alterations, misuse, or abuse by any person; ordinary wear and tear; or problems cause by lack of maintenance.



- 4. Damage resulting from your failure to observe any operation instructions furnished at the time of installation.
- 5. Any item furnished, installed, modified, altered, or repaired by you or any other person other than the Contractor.
- 6. Problems which arise in an attempt to match existing materials. There are limitations inherent in the matching of existing materials such as stucco, drywall, paint, wood, tile, flooring, concrete, and the like. Exact duplication in matching, texture, and color cannot be guaranteed. Variations within industry tolerances will be considered acceptable.

# **Complete Agreement**

This warranty constitutes the entire integrated agreement and understanding of the parties as to any causes of action for losses, expenses, or damages under warranty, workmanship, or construction material/ product defect issues, and supersedes as well as preempts any oral statements or representations by Contactor or its agents, before or after signing the contract.

Ben Dated: (Contractor's signature) Dated:

# (Owner's signature)

# **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:					
Mailing Address:					
City:				 	
State:					
Zip:					
Telephone Number:					
Fax Number:					
Email Address:					
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Printed Name:					
Position:					

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.

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TIPS Authorized Signature

wid Wayne Fitts

Approved by Region VIII ESC

Date

Date