TIPS VENDOR AGREEMENT

Between

and

(Company Name)

THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM (TIPS) For RFP 170302 Furniture, Furnishings and Services

General Information

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

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

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

Definitions

PURCHASE ORDER is the TIPS member's approval providing the authority to proceed with the negotiated delivery order under the Agreement. Special terms and conditions as agreed to between the vendor and TIPS member 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.

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Terms and Conditions

Freight

All quotes to members shall provide a line item for cost for freight or shipping regardless if there is a charge or not. If no charge for freight or shipping, indicate by stating "No Charge" or "\$0" or other similar indication.

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.)

Agreements

All Agreements and agreements between Vendors and TIPS Members shall strictly adhere to the statutes that are set forth in the Uniform Commercial Code as most recently revised. Agreements for purchase will normally be put into effect by means of a purchase order(s) 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.

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Assignments of Agreements

No assignment of Agreement 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 Agreement.
- 2. Vendor shall attach, in writing, a complete description of any and all relationships that might be considered a conflict of interest in doing business with 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 Agreement.

Renewal of Agreements

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

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

No Agreement for goods or services with a TIPS member by the awarded vendor named in this Agreement that results from the solicitation award named in this Agreement, may incorporate an automatic renewal clause with which the TIPS member must comply. All renewal terms incorporated in an Agreement by the vendor with the TIPS member shall only be valid and enforceable when the vendor receives written confirmation by purchase order or executed Agreement issued by the TIPS member for any renewal period. The purpose of this clause is to avoid a TIPS member inadvertently renewing an Agreement during a period in which the governing body of the TIPS member has not properly appropriated and budgeted the funds to satisfy the Agreement renewal. This term is not negotiable and any Agreement between a TIPS member and a TIPS awarded vendor with an automatic renewal clause that conflicts with these terms is rendered void and unenforceable.

Shipments

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

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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 agrees to provide pricing to TIPS and its participating governmental entities that is at least equal to the lowest pricing available to like cooperative purchasing customers and the pricing shall remain so throughout the duration of the Agreement.

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 according to the terms of the solicitation. However, the Vendor shall honor previous prices for thirty (30) days after written notification to TIPS of an increase.

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

Participation Fees

Vendor or vendor assigned dealer Agreements to pay the participation fee for all Agreement 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 Agreement. Failure to pay the participation fee will result in termination of Agreement. Please contact TIPS at tips@tips-usa.com or call (866) 839-8477 if you have questions about paying fees.

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Indemnity

- 1. Indemnity for Personality Agreements. Vendor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless and defend TIPS, TIPS member(s), officers and employees, from and against all claims and suits for damages, injuries to persons (including death), property damages, losses, and expenses including court costs and attorney's fees, arising out of, or resulting from, Vendor's performance of this Agreement, 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 Agreements. The Vendor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless and defend TIPS, TIPS member(s), officers and employees from and against all claims and suits for damages, injuries to persons (including death), property damages, losses, and expenses including court costs and attorney's fees, arising out of, or resulting from, Vendor's work under this Agreement, including all such causes of action based upon common, constitutional, or statutory law, or based in whole or in part, upon allegations of negligent or intentional acts on the part of the Vendor, its officers, employees, agents, subcontractors, licensees, or invitees. 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, subcontractors, supplier or equipment lessee of the Vendor, arising out of, or resulting from, Vendor's work under this Agreement 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 Agreements for categories when deemed in the best interest of the TIPS membership. Bidders scoring the RFP's specified percentage 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.

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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 Agreement 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 Agreement 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 48 hours of receipt of order.

Termination for Convenience

TIPS has the right to terminate the agreement for cause or no cause for convenience with a thirty-day written notice. Termination for convenience is required under 2 CFR part 200.

TIPS Member Purchasing Procedures

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

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

Form of Agreement

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. In response to submitted supplemental Vendor Agreement documents, TIPS will review proposed vendor Agreement documents. Vendor's Agreement document shall not become part of TIPS's Agreement 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 Agreement. TIPS reserves the right to stop work and/or cancel Agreement of any awarded vendor whose license(s) expire, lapse, are suspended or terminated.

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If awarded vendor sells or transfers all assets or the entire portion of the assets used to perform this Agreement, a successor in interest must guarantee to perform all obligations under this Agreement. TIPS reserves the right to accept or reject any new party. A simple change of name agreement will not change the Agreement 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 Agreement shall adhere to local smoking policies. Smoking will only be permitted in posted areas or off premises.

Invoices

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

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Marketing

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

Supplemental agreements

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

Survival Clause

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

Legal obligations

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

Audit rights

Awarded Vendor shall, at their sole expense, maintain appropriate due diligence of all purchases made by TIPS Member that utilizes this Agreement. TIPS and Region 8 ESC each reserve the right to audit the accounting for a period of three (3) years from the time such purchases are made. This audit right shall survive termination of this Agreement for a period of 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.

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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 and payment bonds will be required on construction or labor required jobs. 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 or Agreement.

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 and/or an Agreement 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 Agreements are required, they will be attached to the PO and shall take precedence over those in the base Agreement.

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 Agreement 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

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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.

Incorporation of Solicitation

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

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Special Terms and Conditions

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

- <u>Agreements:</u> All vendor purchase orders and/or Agreements/agreements 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.
- **<u>Promotion of Agreement</u>**: It is agreed that Vendor will encourage all eligible entities to purchase from the TIPS Program. Encouraging entities to purchase directly from the Vendor and not through TIPS Agreement is a violation of the terms and conditions of this Agreement and will result in removal of the Vendor from the TIPS Program.
- <u>Daily Order Confirmation</u>: All Agreement purchase orders will be approved daily by TIPS and sent to vendor. The vendor must confirm receipt of orders to the TIPS member (customer) within 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 1st 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.

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

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TIPS Vendor Agreement Signature Form

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Address 100 Hilltop Road
City Ramsey State NJ Zip 07446
Phone 877-224-7026 _ Fax 866-666-5235
Email of Authorized Representative nlongo@bcilibraries.com
Name of Authorized Representative Nat Longo
Title President
Signature of Authorized Representative
Date 4/20/17
TIPS Authorized Representative Name Meredith Barton
Title Vice-President of Operations
TIPS Authorized Representative Signature Reditt Barton
TIPS Authorized Representative Signature <u>Meredith</u> Barton Approved by ESC Region 8 <u>Aavid Wayne Fitts</u>
Date May 26, 2017

The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS Cooperative) Supplier Response

Bid Informatio	on	Contact Info	ormation	Ship to Information
Bid Creator Email Phone	Rick Powell General Counsel/Procurement Compliance Officer rick.powell@tips-usa.com	Address	Region 8 Education Service Center 4845 US Highway 271 North Pittsburg, TX 75686	Address
Fax	(903) 575-2689	Contact	Sarah Bond, Contracts Compliance Specialist	Department Building
Bid Number Title Bid Type Issue Date Close Date	170302 Addendum 1 Furniture RFP 3/2/2017 08:01 AM (CT) 4/27/2017 03:00:00 PM (CT)	Department Building Floor/Room Telephone Fax Email	t i	Floor/Room Telephone Fax Email
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Please review the following and respond where necessary

#	Name	Note	Response
1	Yes - No	Disadvantaged/Minority/Women Business Enterprise - D/M/WBE (Required by some participating governmental entities) Vendor certifies that their firm is a D/M/WBE? Vendor must upload proof of certification to the "Response Attachments" D/M/WBE CERTIFICATES section.	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.	Νο
3	Yes - No	The Vendor can provide services and/or products to all 50 US States?	Yes
4	States Served:	If answer is NO to question #3, please list which states can be served. (Example: AR, OK, TX)	
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.)	BCI is a world leader in modern library furniture, we offer many types of shelving, various designs of circulation and reference desks, a vast selection of display furniture, book browsers, as well as, children's furniture, lounge seating

6	Primary Contact Name	Primary Contact Name	Anthony Stellatos
7	Primary Contact Title	Primary Contact Title	Director of Marketing
8	Primary Contact Email	Primary Contact Email	anthonys@bcilibraries.com
9	Primary Contact Phone	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	8772247026
10	Primary Contact Fax	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	8666665235

and tables. We work with school districts and public libraries, along with leading architects, designers and professionals in the development of functional and beautifully designed libraries. The library of today is not just a collection of books or a place to study - it is a place for multicultural communication, learning, social gathering, and more. Therefore, major demands are being made on both function and design of today's libraries, as well as on future libraries. BCI has the expertise, innovation, and practical product base to provide you with a modern library solution suited for your needs

We have the ambition and passion for being ahead of the modern library, challenging what it can be and how it can be used.

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11	Primary Contact Mobile	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	2012867190
12	Secondary Contact Name	Secondary Contact Name	Robert Schwarz
13	Secondary Contact Title	Secondary Contact Title	VP, Sales
14	Secondary Contact Email	Secondary Contact Email	rschwarz@bcilibraries.com
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16	Secondary Contact Fax	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	8666665235
17	Secondary Contact Mobile	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	2019888630
18	Admin Fee Contact Name	Admin Fee Contact Name. This person is responsible for paying the admin fee to TIPS.	Janet Carnesale
19	Admin Fee Contact Email	Admin Fee Contact Email	jcarnesale@bcilibraries.com
20	Admin Fee Contact Phone	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	8772247026
21	Purchase Order Contact Name	Purchase Order Contact Name. This person is responsible for receiving Purchase Orders from TIPS.	Janet Carnesale and Joyce Matthes
22	Purchase Order Contact Email	Purchase Order Contact Email	info@bcilibraries.com; jcarnesale@bcilibraries.com; jmatthes@bcilibraries.com
23	Purchase Order Contact Phone	Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477	877-224-7026
24	Company Website	Company Website (Format - www.company.com)	www.bcilibraries.com
25	Federal ID Number:	Federal ID Number also known as the Employer Identification Number. (Format - 12-3456789)	261594016
26	Primary Address	Primary Address	100 Hilltop Road
27	Primary Address City	Primary Address City	Ramsey
28	Primary Address State	Primary Address State (2 Digit Abbreviation)	NJ
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	Primary Address Zip	Primary Address Zip	07446
30	Primary Address Zip Search Words:	Primary Address Zip 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.) Do you wish to be eligible to participate in a TIPS contract	07446 Library Furniture, Modern Library Furniture, Library Design, Shelving, Shelving Systems, Mobile Shelving, Radius Shelving, Circulation Desk, Reference Desk, Book Browsers, Display Furniture, Collaborative Lounge Seating and Tables, Soft Seating, Children's Furniture, Book Trolleys, Book Returns, Computer Stations, Counter Systems, Comfortable Seating, Carrels

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?	NJ
34	Company Residence (State)	Vendor's principal place of business is in the state of?	NJ
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?	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?	No
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?	3
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.	Yes
46	Prices are guaranteed for?	(Month(s), Year(s), or Term of Contract) (Standard term is "Term of Contract")	1 year
47	Right of Refusal	Does the proposing vendor wish to reserve the right not to perform the awarded agreement with a TIPS member at your discretion?	No

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52 53 By submission of this bid or proposal, the Bidder certifies (No Response Required) that:

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

company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual engaged in the same line of business as the Company.

Instructions for Certification:

1. By agreeing to the form, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out on the form in accordance with these instructions.

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

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

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

which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.

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

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

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

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

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

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including suspension and / or debarment.

55	Suspension or Debarment Certification	 Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689)—A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the governmentwide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549. By submitting this offer and certifying this section, this bidder: Certifies that no suspension or disbarment is in place, which would preclude receiving a federally funded contract as described above. 	Yes
56	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, 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 A	Yes

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

		certify that in the performance of a contract with TIPS or its members, that our company will conform to the foregoing anti-discrimination statement and comply with the cited law and regulations.	
57	2 CFR PART 200 Contract Provisions Explanation	Required Federal contract provisions of Federal Regulations for Contracts for contracts with ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members: The following provisions are required to be in place and agreed if the procurement is funded in any part with federal funds. The ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members 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 at 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.	(No Response Required)
58	2 CFR PART 200 (A) Contracts	Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$150,000, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate. Notice: Pursuant to Federal Rule (A) above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members reserves all rights and privileges under the applicable laws and regulations with respect to this procurement in the event of breach of contract by either party. Does vendor agree?	Yes
59	2 CFR PART 200 (B) Termination	Termination for cause and for convenience by the grantee or subgrantee including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement. (All contracts in excess of \$10,000) Pursuant to Federal Rule (B) above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members reserves the right to terminate any agreement in excess of \$10,000 resulting from this procurement process for cause after giving the vendor an appropriate opportunity and up to 30 days, to cure the causal breach of terms and conditions. ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members reserves the right to terminate any agreement in excess of \$10,000 resulting from this procurement process for convenience with 30 days notice in writing to the awarded vendor. The vendor would be compensated for work performed and goods procured as of the termination date if for convenience of the ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members. Any award under this procurement process is not exclusive and the ESC Region 8 and TIPS reserves the right to purchase goods and services from other vendors when it is in the best interest of the ESC Region 8 and TIPS. Does vendor agree?	Yes

2 CFR PART 200 (H) Debarment and 61 Suspension

62	2 CFR PART 200 (I) Byrd Anti-Lobbying
	Amendment

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 ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members requires that the proposer certify that during the term of an award by the ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members resulting from this procurement process the vendor agrees to the terms listed and referenced therein. Does vendor agree? Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and Yes 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 by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members requires the proposer certify that during the term of an award by the ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members resulting for this procurement process the vendor certifies that they are not debarred from receiving a contract from the federal government as provided therein.

Does vendor agree?

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 by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members requires the proposer certify that during the term and after the awarded term of an award by the ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members resulting for this procurement process the vendor certifies to the terms included or referenced therein. Does vendor agree?

Yes

Yes

Federal Rule (12) Compliance with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857(h)), section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR part 15). (Contracts, subcontracts, and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$100,000) Pursuant to Federal Rule (12) above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members requires the proposer certify that in performance of the contracts, subcontracts, and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$100,000, the vendor will be in compliance with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857(h)), section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR part 15). Does vendor certify that it is in compliance with the Clean Air Act?

64 2 CFR PART 200 Procurement of Recovered Materials A non-Federal entity that is a state agency or agency of a Yes political subdivision of a state and its contractors must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with

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

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

66 Remedies

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

a contract to indemnify or hold a party harmless is a promise to pay for any expenses the indemnified party incurs, if a specified

event occurs, such as breaching the terms of the contract or negligently

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

to these terms?

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?

67 Remedies Explanation of No Answer

Yes, I Agree

Yes

68	Choice of Law	This agreement and any addenda or other additions and all contracts or awards resulting from this procurement process, however described, shall be governed by, construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, regardless of any conflict of laws principles. Not a negotiable term. Failure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered. Do you agree to these terms?	Yes
69	Jurisdiction and Service of Process	Any Proceeding arising out of or relating to this procurement process or any contract issued by TIPS resulting from or any contemplated transaction shall be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction in Camp County, Texas and each of the parties irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of said court in any such proceeding, waives any objection it may now or hereafter have to venue or to convenience of forum, agrees that all claims in respect of the Proceeding shall be heard and determined only in any such court, and agrees not to bring any proceeding arising out of or relating to this procurement process or any contract resulting from or any contemplated transaction in any other court. The parties agree that either or both of them may file a copy of this paragraph with any court as written evidence of the knowing, voluntary and freely bargained for agreement between the parties irrevocably to waive any objections to venue or to convenience of forum. Process in any Proceeding referred to in the first sentence of this Section may be served on any party anywhere in the world. Venue clauses in contracts with TIPS members may be determined by the parties. 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
70	Alternative Dispute Resolution	Prior to filing of litigation, the parties may select non-binding mediation as a method of conflict resolution for issues arising out of or relating to this procurement process or any contract resulting from or any contemplated transaction. The parties agree that if nonbinding mediation is chosen as a resolution process, the parties must agree to the chosen mediator(s) and that all mediation venue shall be at a location in Camp or Titus, County, Texas agreed by the parties. The parties agree to share equally the cost of the mediation process and venue cost. Do you agree to these terms?	Yes, I Agree
71	Alternative Dispute Resolution Explanation of No Answer		
72	Infringement(s)	The successful vendor will be expected to indemnify and hold harmless the TIPS and its employees, officers, agents, representatives, contractors, assignees and designees from any and all third party claims and judgments involving infringement of patent, copyright, trade secrets, trade or service marks, and any other intellectual or intangible property rights in connection with the vendor's proposal or ultimate contracts awarded and approved.	Yes, I Agree

Do you agree to these terms?

73 Infringement(s) Explanation of No Answer

74	Acts or Omissions	The successful vendor will be expected to indemnify and hold harmless the TIPS, its officers, employees, agents, representatives, contractors, assignees and designees from and against any and all liability, actions, claims, demands or suits, and all related costs, attorney's fees and expenses arising out of, or resulting from any acts or omissions of the vendor or its agents, employees, subcontractors, or suppliers in the execution or performance of any agreements ultimately made by TIPS and the vendor. Do you agree to these terms?	Yes, I Agree
75	Acts or Omissions Explanation of No Answer		
76	Contract Governance	Any contract made or entered into by the TIPS is subject to and is to be governed by Section 271.151 et seq, Tex Loc Gov't Code. Otherwise, TIPS does not waive its governmental immunities from suit or liability except to the extent expressly waived by other applicable laws in clear and unambiguous language.	Yes
77	Payment Terms and Funding Out Clause	Payment Terms: TIPS 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 member in Texas by law and the parties may negotiate custom payment terms as desired provided they do not violate the statutory requirements. Statutory or binding regulations control TIPS members in this contract. 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 to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered. Do you agree to these terms?	Yes

78 Insurance and Fingerprint Requirements Information

Insurance

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

Fingerprint

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

I certify that:

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

OR

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

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

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

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

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

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

80 Solicitation Deviation/Compliance

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

Yes

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

Response Total:



Date: May 26, 2017 RE: 170302 – Furniture (Addendum 1)

Addendum 1 was issued 4/7/2017. This addendum added a separate upload section for the price lists required for this RFP. There were no other addendums issued for this RFP. This original bid closing date was extended from April 21, 2017 to April 27, 2017.

Sarah Bond

Sarah Bond Contracts Compliance Specialist

Bid Audit History		
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Date	Line	Description
5/1/2017 09:07 AM (CT)	Header	Bid request unsealed by SBONDTIPS.
4/27/2017 03:00 PM (CT)	Header	Bid request closed by the system.
4/11/2017 01:10 PM (CT)	Header	Bid Close Date extended from 4/21/2017 03:00:00 PM (CT) to 4/27/2017 03:00:00 PM (CT). By RPOWELLTIPS. Reason: To provide more time for vendors to respond.
4/7/2017 11:50 AM (CT)	Header	Addendum issued by the system.
4/7/2017 11:50 AM (CT)	Header	Addendum published by RPOWELLTIPS. Reason: TIPS added an upload section for the Pricing Spreadsheet #2. Both pricing spreadsheets are required
4/7/2017 11:40 AM (CT)	Header	Bid Request Information Copied from Bid '170302' by RPOWELLTIPS.
3/2/2017 08:01 AM (CT)	Header	Bid request issued by the system.
2/28/2017 09:29 AM (CT)	Header	Bid request published by RPOWELLTIPS Issue time adjusted by the system to balance workload.
2/27/2017 10:06 AM (CT)	Header	Bid Request Information Copied from Bid '444444' by RPOWELLTIPS.
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Screen shot from TIPS eBid System, showing the history of RFP 170302 – Furniture (Addendum 1)

REFERENCES

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

You may provide more than three (3) references.

Entity Name	Contact Person	Email	Phone
Grand Prairie Library	Kathy Ritterhouse	gplibrary@gptx.org	972-237-5700
British International School	Andrew Derry	andrew.derry@houston.nae.school	713-290-9025
U of Texas @ Dallas	Melody Sun	melody.sun@utdallas.edu	972-883-2241
Hudson County Community College	Carol Van Houten	cvanhouten@hccc.edu	201-360-4361
Darien High School	Ellen Dunn	edunn@darienps.org	203-655-3981
Teaneck High School	Geri Stack	gstack@teaneckschools.org	201-862-2483
Calgary Public Library	Lisa Hardy	lisa.hardy@calgarylibrary.ca	403-260-2797

Resllers - Dealers

Reseller/Dealer Name	Address	City	State	Zip Contact Name	Contact Email	Contact Phone	Contact Fax	Company Website
Educator's Depot Inc.	17424 W. Grand Pkwy. S., Suite 206	Sugar Land	Texas	77479 Alan Clarke	AClarke@educatorsdepot.com	866-736-2012	866-736-2014	www.educatorsdepot.com/
Texas Wilson Office Furniture & Services	6812 Fairgrounds Parkway	San Antonio	Texas	78238 Tammy Poe	tpoe@texaswilson.com	210-647-2057	210-647-3110	www.texaswilson.com/
Midwest Storage Solutions	5845 S. 118th Circle	Omaha	Nebraska	68137 Taylor Gilbreath	taylorg@mss-1.com	402-935-0357		www.midweststoragesolutions.com/
Carolina Furnishings+Design	315 Grant Street	West End	North Carolina	27376 David Chriscoe	davidchriscoe@gmail.com	910-673-1010	910-673-0990	www.cfplusd.com/
Source Interiors	114 Annas Place	Simpsonville	South Carolina	29681 Mark Patterson	markp@sourceinteriors.net	864-354-5093	864-751-1699	www.sourceinteriors.net/
Arnold & Associates Interiors	3707 Government Street	Baton Rouge	Louisiana	70806 DeLisa Arnold	darnold@arnold-associates.net	225-343-2702		www.arnold-associates.net/
Evo Business Environments	415 N. McKinley, Suite 1250	Little Rock	Arkansas	72205 Zac Cerrato	Zac@evoarkansas.com	501-244-9696	501-244-9620	www.evoarkansas.com/
The Mell Group, LLC	100 Union Hill Drive, Suite 100	Birmingham	Alabama	35209 Mell Gage Smith	mell@themellgroupllc.com	205-877-3131	205-877-3184	www.themellgroup.com/
Office Basics Inc.	22 Creek Circle	Boothwyn	Pennsylvania	19061 Mike Rowles	mrowles@officebasics.com	610-471-1000	610-471-1100	www.businessinteriors.officebasics.com/
BC Office Interiors	3550 Frontier Avenue, Suite C2	Boulder	Colorado	80301 Mark Sapir	marks@bcinteriors.com	303-443-3666	303-443-0406	www.bcinteriors.com/
SmithCFI	620 NE 19th Ave.	Portland	Oregon	97232 Cindy Cummings	cindyc@smithcfi.com	503-525-3407	503-226-9233	www.smithcfi.com/
Scott Rice Workspace Solutions	6900 N. Bryant Avenue	Oklahoma City	Oklahoma	73121 Sarah Clark	sarah.clark@scottriceok.com	405-848-2224	405-848-3999	www.scottriceok.com/
Corporate Interiors, Inc.	447 N. Third Street, Suite D	Baton Rouge	Louisiana	70802 Melony Fields	mfields@the-cigroup.com	225-963-9400		www.the-cigroup.com/
Duet Resource Group	440 W. Vliet Street	Milwaukee	Wisconsin	53212 Kyle Elsemore	kyle.elsemore@duetresourcegroup.com	414-273-3838	414-272-1280	www.duetresourcegroup.com/
Saxton Bradley (SBI)	6718 South 216th Street	Kent	Washington	98032 Dennis Purcell	Dennis.Purcell@saxtonbradley.com	800-6543-3512		www.saxtonbradley.com/
HNE Equipment Corp.	1371 Church Street	Bohemia	New York	11716 Kenneth Bogart	ken@hneequipment.com	631-563-6500	631-563-6502	www.HNEequipment.com
Great Lakes Furniture Supply, Inc.	P.O. Box 667	St. Clair Shores	Michigan	48080 Ron Chrisman	rchrismanjr@gmail.com	586-774-5970	586-774-6509	www.greatlakesfurniture.com/
Empire Office Inc.	5112 West Linebaugh Avenue	Tampa	Florida	33624 Nicole Sison	nsison@empireoffice.com	813-418-3300		www.empireoffice.com/
Longo Associates	100 Hilltop Road	Ramsey	New Jersey	07446 Brian Sciortino	brian@longoinc.com	201-825-1500	201-825-4784	www.longoschools.com/
Workplace Furniture	6400 Shelby View Drive, Ste. 109	Memphis	Tennessee	38134 Jeff Ward	jward@wpfurn.com	901-729-6477		www.wpfurn.com
DES	205 East Washington Street	Middleburg	Virginia	20117 Mark Wyatt	mark.wyatt@des.com	540-687-7060		www.des.com
Robert H. Lord	220 Chapel Road	Manchester	Connecticut	06042 Rob Romay	robromay@rhlco.com	860-512-2126	860-645-9100	www.rhlco.com
Intereum	9800 8th Avenue North	Plymouth	MN	55441 Kimberly Kirkeide	kkirkeide@intereum.com	612-413-1478		www.intereum.com
Hanson's Installation	16726 Pawlin Drive	Selma	ТХ	78154 Wayne Hanson	wayne@hanson-install.com	210-651-5711		www.hanson-install.com

Certification Regarding Lobbying

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

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

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

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

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

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

BCI - Eurobib USA Inc

100 Hilltop Rd, Ramsey, NJ 07446

Name/Address of Organization

Nat Longo, President Name/Title of Submitting Official Signature

20/17

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 or ESC 8/TIPS must give advance notice to the district or ESC 8/TIPS if the person or an owner or operator of the business entity has been convicted of a felony. The notice must include a general description of the conduct resulting in the conviction of a felony."

Subsection (b) states "a school district may terminate a contract with a person or business entity 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 B</u> <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: Nat Longo

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 who has been convicted of a telony. Signature of Authorized Company Official:

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.

BCI - Eurobib USA Inc OFFERER:

(Name of Corporation)

I. Elizabeth Longo

certify that I am the Secretary of the Corporation

(Name of Corporate Secretary)

named as OFFERER herein above; that

Nat Longo

(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

President

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

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

CORPORATE SEAL

JATURE

DATE

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

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

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

✓ YES or NO

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

✓ YES or NO

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

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

(b) Affirmative steps must include:

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

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

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

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

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

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

Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce ; and

(6) Requiring the prime contractor, if subcontracts are to be let, to take the affirmative steps listed in paragraphs (1) through (5) of this section.

Company Name BCI - Eurobib USA Inc						
Print name of authorized representative Nat Longo						
Signature of authorized representative						
Date 4/20/17						

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

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

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

I <u>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. The attached contains material from our proposal that I classify and deem confidential under Texas Gov't Code Sec. 552 or other law(s) and I invoke my statutory rights to confidential treatment of the enclosed materials:

Name of company claiming confid	ential status of materia	1			
Printed Name, Title, and Signature	of authorized company	y officer	claiming con	fidential status of material	
Address	City	State	ZIP	Phone	
ATTACHED ARE COPIES OF	PAGES OF CO	NFIDEN	TIAL MAT	ERIAL FROM OUR PROPOSAL	
Express Waiver: I desire to express within our response to the competit	ive procurement proces	ss (e.g. R	FP, CSP, Bi	d, RFQ, etc.) by completing the	4
following and submitting this sheet	with our response to E	ducation	Service Cen	ter Region 8 and TIPS.	
BCI - Eurobib USA Inc					
Name of company expressly waivin	ng confidential status o	f materia	1		
Nat Longo, President		IL	7		
Printed Name, Title, and Signature	of authorized company	officer	expressly wa	iving confidential status of materia	ıl
100 Hilltop Road	Ramsey	NJ	07446	877-224-7026	
Address	City	State	ZIP	Phone	



09/11/10

Taxpayer Identification# 261-594-016/000

Dear Business Representative:

Congratulations! You are now registered with the New Jersey Division of Revenue.

Use the Taxpayer Identification Number listed above on all correspondence with the Divisions of Revenue and Taxation, as well as with the Department of Labor (if the business is subject to unemployment withholdings). Your tax returns and payments will be filed under this number, and you will be able to access information about your account by referencing it.

Additionally, please note that State law requires all contractors and subcontractors with Public agencies to provide proof of their registration with the Division of Revenue. The law also amended Section 92 of the Casino Control Act, which deals with the casino service industry.

We have attached a Proof of Registration Certificate for your use. To comply with the law, if you are currently under contract or entering into a contract with a State agency, you must provide a copy of the certificate to the contracting agency.

If you have any questions or require more information, feel free to call our Registration Hotline at (609)292-9292.

I wish you continued success in your business endeavors.

Sincerely,

James J. Fruscione Director New Jersey Division of Revenue

STATE OF NEW JERSEY **BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE** DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY DIVISION OF REVENUE PO BOX 252 TRENTON, N J 08646-0252 **TAXPAYER NAME:** TRADE NAME: **BCI - EUROBIB USA INC** ADDRESS: SEQUENCE NUMBER: **100 HILLTOP ROAD** 1587653 RAMSEY NJ 07446 **EFFECTIVE DATE: ISSUANCE DATE:** 09/11/10 09/10/10 Director New Jersey Division of Revenue FORM-BRC anable. onspicuously displaye -081. D2058464

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