#### TIPS VENDOR AGREEMENT

# Between Office Depot, Inc.

and

# THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM (TIPS) For

RFP 180306 Technology Solutions Products and Services (2)

#### **General Information**

The Vendor Agreement ("Agreement") made and entered into on Aug.15, 2018 ("Effective Date") 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, and Office Depot, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Office Depot" or "Vendor"), located at 6600 North Military Trail, Boca Raton, Florida 33496. 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 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 Vendor's proposal. Once signed, if an 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 Vendor's proposals, task orders, purchase orders and any adjustments which have been issued. If deviations are submitted to TIPS by the proposing vendor as provided by and within the solicitation process, this Agreement may be amended to incorporate any agreed deviations.

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

A Purchase Order, Agreement or Contract is the TIPS Member's approval providing the authority to proceed with the negotiated delivery order under the Agreement. Special terms and conditions as agreed to between the vendor and TIPS Member should be added as addendums to the Purchase Order, Agreement or Contract. Items such as certificate of insurance, bonding requirements, small or disadvantaged business goals are some of the addendums possible.

#### **Terms and Conditions**

# **National Program**

TIPS will act as a group purchasing organization and will provide Vendor with access to its members who complete the registration process set forth below in the Registration section ("TIPS Member" or "Members"). Vendor shall supply to Members those office products and services as set forth herein during the term of this Agreement (the "Program"). Members shall not resell products purchased under this Agreement. Vendor reserves the right to terminate any individual Member's participation in the Program immediately upon written notice to Member in the event such Member's participation violates the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

# Registration

In order to receive the Program pricing offered hereunder, Members will be responsible for registering for the Program by accessing the online registration to be established by Vendor during implementation of the Program. Members shall provide Vendor with all information reasonably required by Vendor to facilitate shipment and billing of any items purchased.

# 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. Otherwise, all shipping, freight or delivery changes shall be passed through to the TIPS Member at cost with no markup and said charges shall be agreed by the TIPS Member. Additional freight charges may apply for items exceeding 70 lbs. in weight and/or 110" in length/width, furniture, bulk items, cases of bottled water and other beverages, Hawaii, Alaska and Puerto Rico orders, special orders and/or rush deliveries.

#### **Warranty Conditions**

All new supplies equipment and services shall include manufacturer's minimum standard warranty unless otherwise agreed to in writing. Vendor shall be legally permitted to sell, or an authorized dealer, distributor or manufacturer for all products offered for sale to TIPS Members. All equipment proposed shall be new unless clearly stated in writing. Vendor otherwise disclaims any and all warranties, including implied warranties of fitness or the warranty of merchantability to the fullest extent permitted by law. Vendor will pass through to Members all manufacturer-supplied end-user warranties on all products sourced to Members pursuant to this Agreement.

# **Customer Support**

The Vendor shall provide timely and accurate customer support to TIPS Members. Vendor shall endeavor to respond to such requests within one (1) working day after written 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** 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.

## 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. Most TIPS Members are tax exempt and the related laws of the jurisdiction of the TIPS Member shall apply.

# **Assignments of Agreements**

No assignment of Agreement may be made without the prior written approval of the other party. Payment can only be made to the Vendor or vendor assigned company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Vendor may assign this Agreement to any of its subsidiaries or affiliates at any time, and in connection with the transfer or sale of all or substantially all of its business related to this Agreement.

#### **Disclosures**

- 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 Members 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 a two (2) year term from the Effective Date, with an option for renewal for additional one (1) consecutive year. 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. The scheduled Agreement termination date shall be the last date of the month of the last month of the agreement's legal effect. **Example:** If the agreement is scheduled for to end on May 23, the anniversary date of the award, it would actually be extended to May 31 in the last month of the last year the contract is active.

Automatic Renewal Clauses Incorporated in 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 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 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 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 shall submit invoices or payment requests to the TIPS Member participating entity clearly stating "Per TIPS Agreement # 180306. Each invoice or pay request shall include the TIPS Member's purchase order number or other identifying designation as provided in the order by the TIPS Member. If applicable, the shipment tracking number or pertinent information for verification of TIPS Member receipt shall be made available upon request. The Vendor or vendor assigned dealer shall not invoice for partial shipments unless agreed to in writing in advance by TIPS and the TIPS Member.

# **Payments**

The TIPS Member will make payments directly to the Vendor or vendor assigned dealer at net 30 days after receiving invoice or in compliance with applicable statute, whichever is the lessor time or as otherwise provided by an agreement of the parties. Each TIPS Member's credit limit shall be established by Vendor, who reserves the right to lower TIPS Member's credit limit or refuse to ship any orders if at any time: (a) TIPS Member is delinquent in making payments to Vendor or is otherwise in breach of this Agreement; or (b) TIPS

Member's credit standing becomes impaired or reasonably unsatisfactory to Vendor.

# **Pricing**

TECHNOLOGY ITEM PRICING. Items within the technology product category ("Technology Items") shall be determined by Vendor in its sole discretion in accordance with its standard classifications. Technology Items identified in the primary printed catalog in use for account customers (also known as "contract" customers) of the Business Solutions Division that is in circulation at the time of the order ("BSD Catalog") and Technology Items identified at www.officedepot.com ("Vendor's Web Site"), will be priced at a discount as set forth in Exhibit A, off of the regular sales price (promotions excluded) set forth on Vendor's Web Site at the time of the order, exclusive of bulk pricing discounts or other specials. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the discounts shall not apply to clearance items and promotional items, including, but not limited to, Instant Savings, Coupon Savings, Mail-In Savings, and Bundled Savings (collectively, "Excluded Categories"). Technology Items that are not identified in the BSD Catalog or Vendor's Web Site shall not be subject to the discounts or pricing methodology otherwise set forth in this Agreement. Rather, prices for such items, as well as Excluded Categories, will be established by Vendor in its discretion and will be presented to TIPS at the point of sale or otherwise at the time of order placement.

Price discounts will be honored according to the terms of the solicitation. However, the Vendor shall honor previous discounts 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.

For purposes of this Agreement, "Spend" shall mean the cumulative paid-for purchases under the Program, net of taxes, shipping costs, returns, discounts, credits, any incentives amortized for the applicable period, rebates actually paid, employee purchases under any

type of purchasing program, postage, shipping and mailing services, non-code and special order furniture, gift cards and warranties, and "Contract Quarter" shall mean the three (3) month period, commencing on the Effective Date and each subsequent twelve (3) month period thereafter during the term of this Agreement.

# **Quarterly Admin Fee.**

Vendor shall pay TIPS an admin fee equal to one percent (1%) of Spend per Contract Quarter. Such fees will be paid to TIPS within sixty (60) days after the close of each Contract Quarter and will include a report as mutually agreed to by the parties outlining the Spend.

# Indemnity

The Vendor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless and defend TIPS, TIPS Member(s), officers and employees from and against all claims and suits by third parties for damages, injuries to persons (including death), property damages, losses, and expenses including court costs and reasonable 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.

# **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 solicitation's specified minimum score or above will be considered for an award. Categories are established at the discretion of TIPS.

## State of Texas Franchise Tax

By signature hereon, Vendor 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 Agreement or in any other communication between TIPS and the Vendor may be construed as a guarantee that TIPS Members will submit any orders at any time. TIPS reserves the right to request additional proposals for items or services already on Agreement at any time.

# **Purchase Order Pricing/Product Deviation**

If a deviation of pricing/product on a purchase order or contract modification occurs, TIPS is to be notified within 48 hours of receipt of order.

#### **Termination for Convenience**

TIPS and Vendor each reserve the right to terminate this Agreement for cause or no cause for convenience with a thirty-day written notice. Termination for convenience is required under Federal Regulations 2 CFR part 200. All purchase orders presented to the Vendor by a TIPS Member prior to the actual termination of this Agreement shall be honored at the option of the TIPS Member. Vendor may terminate the Agreement with thirty (30) days written notice to TIPS 4845 US Hwy North, Pittsburg, Texas 75686.

# **TIPS Member Purchasing Procedures**

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

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

#### Licenses

Vendor shall maintain in current status all federal, state and local licenses, bonds and permits required for the operation of the business conducted by Vendor. 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 Vendor whose license(s) expire, lapse, are suspended or terminated.

## **Novation**

If 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 Vendor.

# Site Requirements (when applicable to service or job)

Cleanup: 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: Vendor shall not begin a project for which TIPS Member has not prepared the site, unless 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, 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. 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.

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: 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. 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.

#### Marketing

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 Vendor must have prior approval from TIPS. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the terms and conditions relating to advertising and the use of trademarks are more particularly set forth in Exhibit B attached hereto.

#### **Supplemental agreements**

The TIPS Member entity participating in the TIPS Agreement and Vendor may enter into a separate supplemental agreement or contract 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 or contract developed as a result of this Agreement is exclusively between the participating entity and 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 Orders, Purchase Orders issued or contracts executed by TIPS or a TIPS Member and accepted by the Vendor prior to the expiration or termination of this agreement, shall survive expiration or termination of the Agreement, subject to previously agreed terms and conditions agreed by the parties or as otherwise specified herein relating to termination of this Agreement.

# **Legal obligations**

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

#### **Audit rights**

Due to transparency statutes and public accountability requirements of TIPS and TIPS Members', the 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 of TIPS related purchases 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. In order to ensure and confirm compliance with this Agreement, TIPS shall have authority to conduct random audits of Vendor's pricing that is offered to TIPS Members.

# **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.

#### **Scope of Services**

The specific scope of work for each job shall be determined in advance and in writing between TIPS Member and Vendor. It is permitted for the TIPS Member to provide a general scope, but the 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

Purchase Order and/or an Agreement or Contract and/or an Agreement with the estimate referenced as an attachment along with required 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 Purchase Order and/or an Agreement or Contract and shall take precedence over those in the base TIPS Vendor 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 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 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 or other document 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 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 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 Vendors TIPS project files, documentation and correspondence. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event of a conflict, the terms and conditions of the Audit rights section shall govern.

# **Incorporation of Solicitation**

The TIPS Solicitation, whether a Request for Proposals, the Request for Competitive Sealed Proposals or Request for Qualifications solicitation, the Vendor's response to same 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.

## **SECTION HEADERS OR TITLES**

THE SECTON HEADERS OR TITLES WITHIN THIS DOCUMENT ARE MERELY GUIDES FOR CONVENIENCE AND ARE NOT FOR CLASSIFICATION OR LIMITING OF THE RESPONSIBILITES OF THE PARTIES TO THIS DOCUMENT.

## NEW STATUTORY REQUIREMENT EFFETIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2017.

Texas governmental entities are prohibited from doing business with companies that fail to certify to this condition as required by Texas Government Code Sec. 2270.

By executing this Agreement, you certify that you are authorized to bind the undersigned Vendor and that your company (1) does not boycott Israel; and (2) will not boycott Israel during the term of the Agreement.

You certify that your company is not listed on and we do not do business with companies that are on the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts list of Designated Foreign Terrorists Organizations per Texas Gov't Code 2270.0153 found at https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/docs/foreign-terrorist.pdf

You certify that if the certified statements above become untrue at any time during the life of this Agreement that the Vendor will notify TIPS within 1 business day of the change by a letter on your letterhead from an authorized representative of the Vendor stating the non-compliance decision and the TIPS Agreement number and description at:

Attention: General Counsel ESC Region 8/The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) 4845 Highway 271 North Pittsburg,TX,75686.
And by an email sent to bids@tips-usa.com

# **Insurance Requirements**

The undersigned Vendor agrees to maintain the below minimum insurance requirements for TIPS Contract Holders.

General Liability	\$1,000,000 each Occurrence/ Aggregate
Products/Completed Operations	\$1,000,000
Automobile Liability	\$300,000 Including owned, hired, & non-
Workers' Compensation	Statutory limits
Employers' Liability - if you employ others than owners and provide services or on- site delivery or work, not just goods	\$1,000,000
Umbrella Liability	\$1,000,000

When the contractor or its subcontractors are liable for any damages or claims, the contractors' policy must be primary over any other valid and collectible insurance carried by the District. Any immunity available to TIPS or TIPS Members shall not be used as a defense by the contractor's insurance policy. The coverages and limits are to be considered minimum requirements and in no way limit the liability of the Contractor(s).

Insurance shall be written by a carrier with an A-; VII or better rating in accordance with current A. M. Best Key Rating Guide. Only deductibles applicable to property damage are acceptable. "Claims made" policies will not be accepted. Each insurance policy shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, cancelled, non-renewed or reduced in coverage or in limits except after thirty (30) days prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested has been given to TIPS or the TIPS Member. Upon request, certified copies of all insurance policies shall be furnished to the TIPS or the TIPS Member.

# **Special Terms and Conditions**

It is the intent of TIPS to award to reliable, high performance vendors 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.

- Agreements: All vendor Purchase Orders and/or Agreements/Contracts 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 shall endeavor to confirm receipt of orders to the TIPS Member (customer) within 24 business hours.
- Vendor custom website for TIPS: 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, Vendor shall endeavor to notify customer within 24 hours and appropriate action taken based on customer request.

# Exhibit B ADVERTISING AND TRADEMARKS

- 1. The Program shall be promoted and marketed via various forms of advertising in compliance with this Agreement. Office Depot may provide offers and promotions that can be used by Company to promote the Program to Members. Office Depot shall provide Company with advertising templates containing these offers and promotions ("Templates") to be used by Company in advertising and marketing materials distributed by Company to its Members. Permissible uses of the Templates are outlined in Exhibit B-1. Company shall not (i) change the Templates without the prior written approval of Office Depot; and (ii) use the Templates in any manner other than the permissible uses outlined on Exhibit B-1. No other form of advertising shall be considered permissible under this Agreement for Company's use to promote and market the Program other than the Templates provided to Company by Office Depot.
- 2. Office Depot grants to Company a nonexclusive, non-assignable, limited license to the Office Depot name and logo (collectively, the "Office Depot Marks") solely for the advertising and marketing purposes set forth herein. The use of the Office Depot Marks shall be preapproved in writing by Office Depot and shall be in accordance with Office Depot's trademark usage guidelines marked as Exhibit B-1, as same are established from time to time. Company shall not use the Office Depot Marks in a manner that is disparaging to Office Depot or its products or services, or portrays Office Depot in a false, competitively adverse or poor light. Company's use of the Office Depot Marks under this Agreement, and the goodwill associated with such use, inures to the benefit of Office Depot, and Company shall not register or attempt to register, in any jurisdiction, any of trademarks or designations confusingly similar or dilutive of the Office Depot Marks. This provision shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
- 3. Company grants to Vendor a nonexclusive, non-assignable, limited license to Company's name and logo (collectively, the "Company Marks") solely for the advertising and marketing purposes set forth herein. The use of the Company Marks shall be pre-approved in writing by Company. Office Depot shall not use the Company Marks in a manner that is disparaging to Company or its products or services, or portrays Company in a false, competitively adverse or poor light. Vendor's use of the Company Marks under this Agreement, and the goodwill associated with such use, inures to the benefit of Company, and Vendor not register or attempt to register, in any jurisdiction, any of trademarks or designations confusingly similar or dilutive of the Company Marks. This provision shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
- 4. Each party represents, warrants and covenants that:
  - i. it has the full corporate right and authority, and possesses all licenses, permits, authorizations and rights to intellectual property required to enter into this Agreement

and to perform the acts required of it hereunder;

- ii. its performance under this Agreement, and/or the rights herein granted to the other party, will not conflict with or result in a breach or violation of any of the terms or provisions, or constitute a default under any Agreement by which it is bound; and
- iii. with respect to the performance of its obligations hereunder, it will comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulation.

#### **EXHIBIT B-1**

#### **ADVERTISING**

Use of Templates by Company:

- The Templates may be copied and used as flyers to be handed out to Members.
- The Templates may be incorporated into advertisements that are mailed out to Members.
- Company may include the Template in its regularly distributed publication that is distributed via email to Members. The Template may not be sent out as a stand-alone email by Company.
- Company may upload the Template as a page on Company's website.
- Company may feature a link on the Company website to the Template located on Office Depot's website.
- Vendor shall also provide abbreviated advertising messaging for an Offer to be included by Company in various forms of advertising in lieu of the full Template. Company shall not alter any abbreviated advertising messages provided by Vendor without the prior written approval of Vendor.

Members may not use a Template in any email advertising without the prior written approval of Vendor.

# **TIPS Vendor Agreement Signature Form**

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Company Name: Office Depot, Inc.
Address: 6600 North Military Trail
City: Boca Raton State: FL Zip: 33496
Phone: (513) 881-7288Fax
Email of Authorized Representative: Susan.Cummings@officedepot.com
Name of Authorized Representative: Susan Cummings
Title: <u>Vice President, Public</u>
Sector
Signature of Authorized Representative:
Date: <u>8/1/18</u>
TIPS Authorized Representative
Name: Meredith Barton
Title: Vice-President of Operations
Mudit Barton TIPS Authorized Representative Signature:
Meredit Barton TIPS Authorized Representative Signature: _  Approved by ESC Region 8: _
8/1/18 Date: _

# The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS Cooperative) Supplier Response

Bid Information	on	Contact Inf	ormation	Ship to Information
Bid Creator  Email	Rick Powell General Counsel/Procurement Compliance Officer rick.powell@tips-usa.com	Address	Region VIII Education Service Center 4845 US Highway 271 North	Address
Phone Fax	(903) 575-2689 x	Contact	Pittsburg, TX 75686 Kristie Collins, Contracts Compliance	Department Building
Bid Number Title	180306 Technology Solutions		Specialist	Floor/Room
Bid Type Issue Date	Products and Services (2) RFP 3/1/2018 08:05 AM (CT)	Departmen Building	t	Telephone Fax Email
Close Date	4/30/2018 03:00:00 PM (CT)	Floor/Room Telephone Fax Email		Liliali
Supplier Infor	mation			
Company Address	Office Depot 6600 N Military Trial			
	Boca Raton, FL 33496			
Contact Department Building Floor/Room Telephone Fax Email	(561) 438-4800			
Submitted Total	4/30/2018 12:05:36 PM (CT) \$0.00			
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I	Yes - No	Disadvantaged/Minority/Women Business Enterprise - D/M/WBE (Required by some participating governmental entities) Vendor certifies that their firm is a D/M/WBE? Vendor must upload proof of certification to the "Response Attachments" D/M/WBE CERTIFICATES section.	No
2	Yes - No	Historically Underutilized Business - HUB (Required by some participating governmental entities) Vendor certifies that their firm is a HUB as defined by the State of Texas at https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/ or in a HUBZone as defined by the US Small Business Administration at https://www.sba.gov/offices/headquarters/ohp Proof of one or both may be submitted. Vendor must upload proof of certification to the "Response Attachments" HUB CERTIFICATES section.	No
3	Yes - No	The Vendor can provide services and/or products to all 50 US States?	Yes
ļ	States Served:	If answer is NO to question #3, please list which states can be served. (Example: AR, OK, TX)	N/A

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.)

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18	Admin Fee Contact Name	Admin Fee Contact Name. This person is responsible for paying the admin fee to TIPS.	Richard Calhoun
19	Admin Fee Contact Email	Admin Fee Contact Email	richard.calhoun@officedepot.com
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21	Purchase Order Contact Name	Purchase Order Contact Name. This person is responsible for receiving Purchase Orders from TIPS.	Pam Pedler
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24	Company Website	Company Website (Format - www.company.com)	http://www.business.officedepot.com
25	Federal ID Number:	Federal ID Number also known as the Employer Identification Number. (Format - 12-3456789)	59-2663954
26	Primary Address	Primary Address	6600 North Military Trail
27	Primary Address City	Primary Address City	Boca Raton
28	Primary Address State	Primary Address State (2 Digit Abbreviation)	FL
29	Primary Address Zip	Primary Address Zip	33496-2434
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.)	Products and /or Services-Laptops, Notebooks, Chromebooks, Mobile Phones, Desktop Computers, Servers, Software, Accessories, Battery Back-up, Power, Surge, Cables, Data Storage, Drives, Digital Imaging – Cameras, Scanner, Keyboard / Mice / Input Devices, Memory / System Components, Office Equipment, Printers, Toners and Ink, Sound / Multimedia, Networking Products, Video – Monitors / Cards / Projector, Interactive Whiteboards, DVD / Books / Music / Video Services, Installations, Asset Management, Managed Services, Product Configurations, Product Support, Warranty, Insurance, Repairs. Other technology related goods and services Routers, o Office Depot

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

misleading information about the conviction is illegal.

**Technology Solutions** 

Technology

39	Pricing Information:	Pricing information section. (Questions 39 - 43)	(No Response Required)
40	Discount Offered	What is the MINIMUM percentage discount off of any item or service you offer to TIPS Members that is in your regular catalog (as defined in the RFP document), website, store or shelf pricing? This is a ceiling on your pricing and not a floor because, in order to be more competitive in the individual circumstance, you may offer a larger discount depending on the items or services purchased and the quantity at time of sale. Must answer with a number between 0% and 100%.	2%
41	TIPS administration fee	By submitting a proposal, I agree that all pricing submitted to TIPS shall include the participation fee, as designated in the solicitation or as otherwise agreed in writing and shall be remitted to TIPS by the Vendor as agreed in the Vendor agreement. I agree that the fee shall not and will not be added by the vendor as a separate line item on a TIPS member invoice, quote, proposal or any other written communications with the TIPS member.	(No Response Required)
42	Yes - No	Vendor agrees to remit to TIPS the required administration fee? TIPS/ESC Region 8 is required by Texas Government Code § 791 to be compensated for its work and thus, failure to agree shall render your response void and it will not be considered.	Yes
43	Yes - No	Do you offer additional discounts to TIPS members for large order quantities or large scope of work?	Yes
44	Start Time	Average start time after receipt of customer order is working days?	2
45	Years Experience	Company years experience in this category?	31
46	Resellers:	Does the vendor have resellers that it will name under this contract? Resellers are defined as other companies that sell your products under an agreement with you, the awarded vendor of TIPS.  EXAMPLE: Walmart is a reseller of Samsung Electronics. If Samsung were a TIPS awarded vendor, then Samsung would list Walmart as a reseller.  (If applicable, vendor should download the Reseller/Dealers spreadsheet from the Attachments section, fill out the form and submit the document in the "Response Attachments" RESELLERS section.	No
47	Prices are guaranteed for?	Vendor agrees to honor the pricing discount off regular catalog (as defined in the RFP document), website, store or shelf pricing for the term of the award?	YES
48	Right of Refusal	Does the proposing vendor wish to reserve the right not to perform under the awarded agreement with a TIPS member at vendor's discretion?	Yes

(No Response Required)

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

50 Texas HB 89- Texas Government code §2270 compliance

Texas 2017 House Bill 89 has been signed into law by the governor and as of September 1, 2017 will become law codified as Texas Government Code § 2270 and 808 et seq.

The relevant section addressed by this form reads as

Texas Government Code Sec. 2270.002. PROVISION REQUIRED IN CONTRACT. A governmental entity may not enter into a contract with a company for goods or services unless the contract contains a written verification from the company that it: (1) does not boycott Israel; and (2) will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract.

I verify by my "YES" response to this attribute that, as a company submitting a proposal to this solicitation, that I am authorized to respond for the company and affirm that the company (1) does not boycott Israel; and (2) will not boycott Israel during the term of this contract, or any contract with the above-named Texas governmental entity in the future. I further affirm that if our company's position on this issue is reversed and this affirmation is no longer valid, that TIPS will be notified in writing by email to TIPS@TIPS-USA.com within one (1) business day and we understand that our company's failure to affirm and comply with the requirements of Texas Government Code 2270 et seq. shall result in a "no award" determination by TIPS and if a contract exists with TIPS, be grounds for immediate contract termination without penalty to TIPS and Education Service Center Region 8. FAILURE TO RESPOND "YES" WILL RESULT IN NO CONSIDERATION OF YOUR PROPOSAL. I swear and affirm that the above is true and correct by a "YES" response.

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE -If you have a conflict of interest as described in this form 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 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 53 company is in good standing with all governmental agencies Federal or state that regulate any part of our business operations. If not, please explain in the next attribute question. Regulatory Standing Regulatory Standing explanation of no answer on previous question. Antitrust Certification Statements (Tex. 55 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

& Comm. Code Chapter 15;

antitrust law;

(4) Neither I nor any representative of the Company has

of the Texas Free Enterprise and Antitrust Act, Tex. Bus.

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

- Instructions for Certification: 1. By agreeing to the Attribute question #56, the vendor
- and prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out herein in accordance with these instructions.
- 2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification in addition to other remedies available to the federal government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and / or debarment.
- 3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- 4. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered transaction," "participants," "person," "primary covered transaction," "principal," "proposal" and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
- 5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this form that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
- 6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this form that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction" without modification in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
- 7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Nonprocurement List.
- 8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- 9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the federal government, the department or agency with which this

57 Suspension or Debarment Certification

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.

By submitting this offer and certifying this section, this bidder:

Certifies that no suspension or debarment is in place, which would preclude receiving a federally funded contract as described above.

Non-Discrimination Statement and Certification

In accordance with Federal civil rights law, all U.S. Departments, including the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity (including gender expression), sexual orientation, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or 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)
All U.S. Departments, including the USDA are equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

Not a negotiable term. Failure to agree will render your

Yes

proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered. I certify that in the performance of a contract with TIPS or its members, that our company will conform to the foregoing anti-discrimination statement and comply with the cited and all other applicable laws and regulations.

59 2 CFR PART 200 Contract Provisions Explanation Required Federal contract provisions of Federal Regulations for Contracts for contracts with ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members:

The following provisions are required to be in place and agreed if the procurement is funded in any part with federal funds.

The ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members are the subgrantee or Subrecipient by definition. Most of the provisions are located in 2 CFR PART 200 - Appendix II to Part 200—Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards at 2 CFR PART 200. Others are included within 2 CFR part 200 et al. In addition to other provisions required by the Federal agency or non-Federal entity, all contracts made by the non-Federal entity under the Federal award must contain

provisions covering the following, as applicable.

60 2 CFR PART 200 Contracts

Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold Yes currently set at \$150,000, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate. Notice: Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members reserves all rights and privileges under the applicable laws and regulations with respect to this procurement in the event of breach of contract by either party.

1 2 CFR PART 200 Termination

Termination for cause and for convenience by the grantee Yes or subgrantee including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement. (All contracts in excess of \$10.000)

Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members reserves the right to terminate any agreement in excess

of \$10,000 resulting from this procurement process for cause after giving the vendor an appropriate opportunity and up to 30 days, to cure the causal breach of terms and conditions. ESC Region 8 and

TIPS Members reserves the right to terminate any agreement in excess of \$10,000 resulting from this procurement process for convenience with 30 days notice in writing to the awarded vendor. The vendor would be compensated for work performed and goods procured as of the termination date if for convenience of the ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members. Any award under this procurement process is not exclusive and the ESC Region 8 and TIPS reserves the right to purchase goods and services from other vendors when it is in the best interest of the ESC Region 8 and TIPS. Does vendor agree?

(No Response Required)

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 the Clean Air Act, et al above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members requires that the proposer certify that during the term of an award by the ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members resulting from this procurement process the vendor agrees

to comply with all of the above regulations, including all of

the terms listed and referenced therein.

Does vendor agree?

2 CFR PART 200 Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment

Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352)—Contractors that apply or bid for an award exceeding \$100,000 must file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award. Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members requires the proposer certify that during the term and during the life of any contract with ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members resulting from this procurement process the vendor certifies to the terms included or referenced herein. Does vendor agree?

34 2 CFR PART 200 Federal Rule

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

Pursuant to the above, when federal funds are expended by ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members, ESC Region 8 and TIPS Members 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?

Yes

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,

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.

consistent with

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

to these terms?

66 Indemnification

Yes

67 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?

68 Remedies Explanation of No Answer

69 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?

70 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.

Yes

Yes

Yes, I Agree

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?

71 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?

Do you agree to these terms?

72 Alternative Dispute Resolution Explanation of No Answer

73 Infringement(s)

The successful vendor will be expected to indemnify and hold harmless the TIPS and its employees, officers, agents, representatives, contractors, assignees and designees from any and all third party claims and judgments involving infringement of patent, copyright, trade secrets, trade or service marks, and any other intellectual or intangible property rights attributed to or claims based on the Vendor's proposal or Vendor's performance of contracts awarded and approved. Do you agree to these terms?

Yes, I Agree

Yes, I Agree

74 Infringement(s) Explanation of No Answer

75 Acts or Omissions

The successful vendor will be expected to indemnify and 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.

76 Acts or Omissions Explanation of No Answer

77 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

Payment Terms:

Yes

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

#### Funding Out Clause:

Vendor agrees to abide by the laws and regulations, including Texas Local Government Code § 271.903, or any statutory or regulatory limitations of the jurisdiction of any TIPS Member which governs contracts entered into by the Vendor and TIPS or a TIPS Member that requires all contracts approved by TIPS or a TIPS Member are subject to the budgeting and appropriation of currently available funds by the entity or its governing body.

See statute(s) for specifics or consult your legal counsel. Not a negotiable term. Failure to agree will render your proposal non-responsive and it will not be considered. Do you agree to these terms?

79 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

(No Response Required)

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.

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.

Does the vendor agree with the General Conditions Standard Terms and Conditions or Item Specifications listed in this proposal No

None

invitation?

Solicitation Deviation/Compliance

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.

Please see our attached redlined agreement and list of clarifications.

Agreement Deviation/Compliance

Does the vendor agree with the language in the Vendor Agreement?

No

Agreement Exceptions/Deviations Explanation

If the proposing Vendor desires to deviate form the Vendor Please see our attached redlined Agreement language, all such deviations must be listed on agreement and list of clarifications. 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.

Texas Business and Commerce Code § 272 Requirements as of 9-1-2017

SB 807 prohibits construction contracts to have provisions (No Response Required) requiring the contract to be subject to the laws of another state, to be required to litigate the contract in another state, or to require arbitration in another state. A contract with such provisions is voidable. Under this new statute, a "construction contract" includes contracts, subcontracts, or agreements with (among others) architects, engineers, contractors, construction managers, equipment lessors, or materials suppliers. "Construction contracts" are for the design, construction, alteration, renovation, remodeling, or repair of any building or improvement to real property, or for furnishing materials or equipment for the project. The term also includes moving, demolition, or excavation. BY RESPONDING TO THIS SOLICITATION. AND WHEN APPLICABLE, THE PROPOSER AGREES TO COMPLY WITH THE TEXAS BUSINESS AND COMMERCE CODE § 272 WHEN EXECUTING CONTRACTS WITH TIPS MEMBERS THAT ARE TEXAS GOVERNMENT ENTITIES.

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	Response Total:	\$0.00

REFERENCES
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Office Depot, Inc.

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
Houston ISD	Csear Rodriguez	crodri10@houstonisd.org	713-556-6516
City of San Antonio	Velma Fontenot	velma.fontenot@sanantonio.gov	(210) 207-4047
Fort Bend ISD	Helen Norman	helen.norman@fortbend.isd.com	281-634-1838

# **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.
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(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this call covered subawards exceeding \$100,000 in Federal funds certify and disclose accordingly.	
Office Depot, Inc.	
Name of Organization	
6600 North Military Trail, Boca Raton, FL 33496-2434	
Address, City, State and Zip of Organization	
Susan Cummings, Vice President, BSD	
Name & Title of Submitting Official	
Sum S	4/30/18
Signature	Date
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#### FELONY CONVICTION NOTICE

# FOR RESPONSE TO TIPS SOLICITATION

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

State of Texas Legislative Senate Bill No. 1, Section 44.034, Notification of Criminal History, Subsection (a), states "a person or business entity that enters into a contract with a school district must give advance notice to the district if the person or an owner or operator of the 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."

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

# 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.

Official:

Susan Cummings

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:

Signature of Authorized Company Official:

Signature of Authorized Company Official:

OR

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

Name of Felon(s):

Details of Conviction(s):

You may attach anther sheet

Signature of Authorized Company Official:

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

The Education Service Center Region 8 and TIPS Members 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?  (Check one)  YES or NO  (Check one)
2. If yes to #1, do you agree to comply with the following federal requirements?  (Check 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.
<ul><li>(b) Affirmative steps must include:</li><li>(1) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;</li><li>(2) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;</li></ul>
(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 Office Depot, Inc.
Print name of authorized representative Susan Cummings
Signature of authorized representative
Date 4/30/18

# **Texas Government Code 2270 Verification Form**

Texas 2017 House Bill 89 has been signed into law by the governor and as of September 1, 2017 will become law codified as Texas Government Code § 2270 and 808 et seq.

The relevant section addressed by this form reads as follows:
Texas Government Code Sec. 2270.002. PROVISION REQUIRED IN CONTRACT. A
governmental entity may not enter into a contract with a company for goods or services unless the contract contains a written verification from the company that it: (1) does not boycott Israel; and (2) will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract.

I, Susan Cummings	_ as an authorized representative of
Office Depot, Inc. Insert Name of Company	, a contractor/vendor
engaged by	
ESC Region 8/The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIP 4845 Highway 271 North Pittsburg, TX, 75686	rS)
verify by this writing that the above-named company affirms and (2) will not boycott Israel during the term of this contract named Texas governmental entity in the future. I further affit this issue is reversed and this affirmation is no longer valid, a governmental entity will be notified in writing within one (1) that our company's failure to affirm and comply with the required Code 2270 et seq. shall be grounds for immediate contract to above-named Texas governmental entity.	et, or any contract with the above- irm that if our company's position on that the above-named Texas ) business day and we understand quirements of Texas Government
AND	
our company is not listed on and we do not do business with Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts list of Designated Fo. Texas Gov't Code 2270.0153 found at https://comptroller.texterrorist.pdf	reign Terrorists Organizations per
I swear and affirm that the above is true and correct.	
dum s	4/30/18
Signature of Named Authorized Company Representative	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 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.

If you claim that parts of your proposal are confidential, complete the top section below.

I claim part of my proposal to be confidential and <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 confidential status of material  Printed Name and Title of authorized company officer claiming confidential status of material						
ATTACHED ARE COPIES OF	PAGES OF CON	FIDENTIAL M.	ATERIAL FROM	OUR PROPOSA		
Signature	Date					
OR						
If you do not claim any of your prop	osal to be confidenti	al, complete the	e section below o	nly.		
Express Waiver: I desire to expressly contained within our response to the completing the following and submittin TIPS.	empetitive procureme	nt process (e.g.	RFP, CSP, Bid, R	FQ, etc.) by		
Susan Cummings		Vice President, BSD				
Printed Name authorized company o	fficer	Title o	f authorized com	pany officer		
6600 North Military Trail Boca Raton	n FL	33496-2434	519-881-7288			
Address City	State	ZIP	Phone			



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