

the request. If support and/or training is a line item sold or packaged with a sale, support shall be as agreed with the TIPS Member.

### **Agreements**

Agreements for purchase will normally be put into effect by means of a purchase order(s) executed by authorized agents of the TIPS Member participating government entities, but other means of placing an order may be used at the Member's discretion.

### **Tax exempt status**

Most TIPS Members are tax exempt and the related laws and/or regulations of the controlling jurisdiction(s) of the TIPS Member shall apply.

### **Assignments of Agreements**

No assignment of this Agreement may be made without the prior notification of TIPS. Written approval of TIPS shall not be unreasonably withheld. Payment for delivered goods and services can only be made to the awarded Vendor, Vendor designated reseller or vendor assigned company.

### **Disclosures**

- Vendor and TIPS affirm that he/she, or any authorized employees or agents, 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.
- 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 the TIPS program.
- 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.

### **Term of Agreement and Renewals**

The Agreement with TIPS is for approximately **three (3)** years with an option for renewal for an additional **one (1)** consecutive **year**. If TIPS offers the renewal extension year, the Vendor will be notified by email to the primary contact of the awarded Vendor and shall be deemed accepted by the Vendor unless the awarded Vendor notifies TIPS of its objection to the additional term. TIPS may or may not exercise the available extension(s) provided in the original solicitation beyond the base **three-year** term. Whether or not to offer the extension is at the sole discretion of TIPS.

**“Start Date” for Term Calculation Purposes Only:** Regardless of actual award/effective date of Contract, for Agreement “term” calculation purposes only, the Agreement “start date” is the last day of the month that Award Notifications are anticipated as published in the Solicitation

**Example:** *If the anticipated award date published in the Solicitation is May 22, but extended negotiations delay award until June 27, The end date of the resulting initial “three-year” term Agreement, (which is subject to an extension(s)) will still be May 31, 2023.*

# TIPS VENDOR AGREEMENT

## PART 1 ONLY

Between Tarkett USA Inc. and  
(Company Name)

### THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM (TIPS), a Department of Texas Education Service Center Region 8 for **TIPS RFP 201102 Floor Covering, Supplies and Services PART 1 ONLY**

#### General Information

The Vendor Agreement ("Agreement") made and entered into by and between The Interlocal Purchasing System (hereinafter "TIPS") 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 the TIPS Vendor. 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 unless otherwise agreed by the parties in writing and by signature and date on the attachment.

A Purchase Order ("PO"), 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 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, but not all, of the possible addendums.

## 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", "\$0", "included in price" or other similar indication. Otherwise, all shipping, freight or delivery charges shall be passed through to the TIPS Member at cost with no markup and said charges shall be agreed by the TIPS Member unless alternative shipping terms are agreed by TIPS as a result of the proposal award.

#### 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 all products offered for sale to TIPS Members if the offering is included in the Request for Proposal ("RFP") category. All goods proposed and sold shall be new unless clearly stated in writing.

#### Customer Support

The Vendor shall provide timely and accurate customer support for orders to TIPS Members as agreed by the Parties. Vendors shall respond to such requests within a commercially reasonable time after receipt of

**“Termination Date”:** The scheduled Agreement “termination date” shall be the last day of the month of the month of the Original Solicitation’s Anticipated Award Date plus **three years**.

**Example:** *If the original term is approximately three years, and the solicitation provides an anticipated award date of May 22, 2020, the expiration date of the original **three-year** term shall be May 31, 2023.*

**Extensions:** Any extensions of the original term shall begin on the next day after the day the original term expires.

**Example Following the Previous Example:** *If TIPS offers a one-year extension, the expiration of the extended term shall be May 31, 2024.*

TIPS may offer to extend Vendor Agreements to the fullest extent the original Solicitation permits.

**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 that exceeds month to month terms 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, executed Agreement or other written instruction 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, deliver or provide ordered products or services within a commercially reasonable time after the receipt of the order from the TIPS Member. If a delay in said delivery is anticipated, the Vendor shall notify TIPS Member as to why delivery is delayed and shall provide an estimated time for completion of the order. TIPS or the requesting entity may cancel the order if estimated delivery time is not acceptable or not as agreed by the parties.

**Invoices**

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.

**Payments**

The TIPS Member will make payments directly to the Vendor, the Vendor Assigned Dealer or as agreed by the Vendor and the TIPS Member after receiving invoice and in compliance with applicable payment statute(s), whichever is the greater time or as otherwise provided by an agreement of the parties.

**Pricing**

Price increases will be honored according to the terms of the solicitation. 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 TIPS Member customer.

**Participation Fees and Reporting of Sales to TIPS by Vendor**

The Participation Fee that was published as part of the Solicitation and the fee published is the legally effective fee, along with any fee conditions stated in the Solicitation. Collection of the fees by TIPS is required under Texas Government Code §791.011 Et seq. Fees are due on all TIPS purchases reported by either Vendor or Member. Fees are due to TIPS upon payment by the Member to the Vendor, Reseller or Vendor Assigned Dealer. Vendor, Reseller or Vendor Assigned Dealer agrees that the participation fee is due to TIPS for all Agreement sales immediately upon receipt of payment including partial payment, from the Member Entity and must be paid to TIPS at least on a monthly basis, specifically within 31 calendar days of receipt of payment, if not more frequently, or as otherwise agreed by TIPS in writing and signed by an authorized signatory of TIPS. Thus, when an awarded Vendor, Reseller or Vendor Assigned Dealer receives any amount of payment, even partial payment, for a TIPS sale, the legally effective fee for that amount is immediately due to TIPS from the Vendor and fees due to TIPS should be paid at least on a monthly basis, specifically within 31 calendar days of receipt of payment, if not more frequently.

### **Reporting of Sales to TIPS by Vendor**

Vendor is required to report all sales under the TIPS contract to TIPS. When a public entity initiates a purchase with a TIPS Awarded Vendor, if the Member inquires verbally or in writing whether the Vendor holds a TIPS Contract, it is the duty of the Vendor to verify whether or not the Member is seeking a TIPS purchase. Once verified, the Vendor must include the TIPS Contract number on any communications and related sales documents exchanged with the TIPS Member entity. To report sales, the Vendor must login to the TIPS Vendor Portal online at [https://www.tips-usa.com/vendors\\_form.cfm](https://www.tips-usa.com/vendors_form.cfm) and click on the PO's and Payments tab. Pages 3-7 of the [Vendor Portal User Guide](#) will walk you through the process of reporting sales to TIPS. Please refer to the TIPS [Accounting FAQ's](#) for more information about reporting sales and if you have further questions, contact the Accounting Team at [accounting@tips-usa.com](mailto:accounting@tips-usa.com). The Vendor or vendor assigned dealers are responsible for keeping record of all sales that go through the TIPS Agreement and submitting same to TIPS. Failure to render the participation fee to TIPS shall constitute a breach of this agreement with our parent governmental entity, Texas Education Service Center Region 8, as established by the Texas legislature and shall be grounds for termination of this agreement and any other agreement held with TIPS and possible legal action. Any overpayment of participation fees to TIPS by a Vendor will be refunded to the Vendor within ninety (90) days of receipt of notification if TIPS receives written notification of the overpayment not later than the expiration of six (6) months from the date of overpayment and TIPS determines that the amount was not legally due to TIPS pursuant to this agreement and applicable law. It is the Vendor's responsibility to identify which sales are TIPS Agreement sales and pay the correct participation fee due for TIPS Agreement sales. Any notification of overpayment received by TIPS after the expiration of six (6) months from the date of overpayment will be non-refundable. Region 8 ESC and TIPS reserve the right to extend the six (6) month deadline to notify if approved by the Region 8 ESC Board of Directors. TIPS reserves all rights under the law to collect the fees due. Please contact TIPS at [tips@tips-usa.com](mailto:tips@tips-usa.com) or call (866) 839-8477 if you have questions about paying fees.

### **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 performance 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. Parties found liable shall pay their proportionate share of damages as agreed by the parties or as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction over the case. **NO LIMITATION OF LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES FOR PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE ARE PERMITTED OR AGREED BY TIPS/ESC REGION 8.** Per

Texas Education Code §44.032(f), and pursuant to its requirements only, reasonable Attorney's fees are recoverable by the prevailing party in any dispute resulting in litigation.

#### **State of Texas Franchise Tax**

By signature hereon, the 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 or 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 between the Vendor and the TIPS Member, TIPS must be notified within five (5) business days of receipt of change order.

#### **Termination for Convenience of TIPS Agreement Only**

TIPS reserves the right to terminate this agreement for cause or no cause for convenience with a thirty (30) days prior written notice. Termination for convenience is conditionally required under Federal Regulations 2 CFR part 200 if the customer is using federal funds for the procurement. All purchase orders presented to the Vendor, but not fulfilled by the Vendor, by a TIPS Member prior to the actual termination of this agreement shall be honored at the option of the TIPS Member. The awarded Vendor may terminate the agreement with ninety (90) days prior written notice to TIPS 4845 US Hwy North, Pittsburg, Texas 75686. The vendor will be paid for goods and services delivered prior to the termination provided that the goods and services were delivered in accordance with the terms and conditions of the terminated agreement. This termination clause does not affect the sales agreements executed by the Vendor and the TIPS Member customer pursuant to this agreement. TIPS Members may negotiate a termination for convenience clause that meets the needs of the transaction based on applicable factors, such as funding sources or other needs.

#### **TIPS Member Purchasing Procedures**

Usually, purchase orders or their equal are issued by participating TIPS Member to the awarded vendor and should indicate on the order that the purchase is per the applicable TIPS Agreement Number. Orders are typically emailed to TIPS at [tipspo@tips-usa.com](mailto: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.
- Fees are due to TIPS upon payment by the Member to the Vendor. Vendor agrees to pay the participation fee to TIPS for all Agreement sales upon receipt of payment including partial payment, from the Member Entity or as otherwise agreed by TIPS in writing and signed by an authorized signatory of TIPS.

#### **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 reasonably fully informed of and in compliance with all ordinances and regulations pertaining to the lawful

provision of goods or services under the Agreement. TIPS and TIPS Members reserves the right to stop work and/or cancel an order or terminate this or any other sales Agreement of any awarded Vendor whose license(s) required for performance under this Agreement have expired, lapsed, are suspended or terminated subject to a 30-day cure period unless prohibited by applicable statute or regulation.

### **Novation**

If awarded Vendor sells or transfers all assets, rights or the entire portion of the assets or rights required to perform this Agreement, a successor in interest must guarantee to perform all obligations under this Agreement. A simple change of name agreement will not change the Agreement obligations of awarded vendor. TIPS will consider Contract Assignments on a case by case basis. TIPS must be notified within five (5) business days of the transfer of assets or rights.

### **Site Requirements (*only when applicable to service or job*)**

**Cleanup:** When performing work on site at a TIPS Member's property, awarded Vendor shall clean up and remove all debris and rubbish resulting from their work as required or directed by TIPS Member or as agreed by the parties. 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 subcontractor 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 unless otherwise agreed by the TIPS Member. 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.

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### **Smoking**

Persons working under Agreement shall adhere to the TIPS Member's or local smoking statutes, codes or policies.

### **Marketing**

Awarded Vendor agrees to allow TIPS to use their name and logo within TIPS website, marketing materials and advertisement subject to any reasonable restrictions provided to TIPS in the Proposal to the



Solicitation. The Vendor may submit an acceptable use directive for Vendor's names and logos with which TIPS agrees to comply. 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 which will not be unreasonably withheld. Request may be made by email to TIPS@TIPS-USA.COM.

### **Supplemental Agreements**

The TIPS Member entity participating in the TIPS Agreement and awarded 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 such as but not limited to, invoice requirements, ordering requirements, specialized delivery, etc. Any Supplemental Agreement or contract developed as a result of this Agreement is exclusively between the TIPS Member entity customer and the Vendor. TIPS, its agents, TIPS Members and employees not a party to the Supplemental Agreement with the TIPS Member customer, shall not be made party to any claim for breach of such agreement unless named and agreed by the Party in question in writing in the agreement. If a Vendor submitting a Proposal requires TIPS and/or TIPS Member to sign an additional agreement, those agreements shall comply with the award made by TIPS to the Vendor. Supplemental Vendor's Agreement documents may not become part of TIPS' Agreement with Vendor unless and until an authorized representative of TIPS reviews and approves it. TIPS review and approval may be at any time during the life of this Vendor Agreement. TIPS permits TIPS Members to negotiate additional terms and conditions with the Vendor for the provision of goods or services under the Vendor's TIPS Agreement so long as they do not materially conflict with this Agreement.

### **Survival Clause**

All applicable sales, leases, Supplemental Agreements, contracts, software license agreements, warranties or service agreements that were entered into between Vendor and TIPS or the TIPS Member Customer under the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall survive the expiration or termination of this 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 the applicable Solicitation that resulted in this Vendor Agreement 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 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 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 audits of Awarded Vendor's pricing or TIPS transaction documentation with TIPS Members with 30 days' notice unless the audit is ordered by a Court Order or by a Government Agency with authority to do so without notice. 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 to investigate any possible non-compliant conduct or may terminate the Agreement according to the terms of this Agreement. In the event of an audit, the requested materials shall be reasonably provided in the time, format and at the location acceptable to Region 8 ESC or TIPS. TIPS agrees not to perform a random audit the TIPS transaction documentation more than once per calendar year, but reserves the right to audit for just cause or as required by any governmental agency or court with regulatory authority over TIPS or the TIPS Member.

#### **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 full 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.

#### **Choice of Law**

The Agreement between the Vendor and TIPS/ESC Region 8 and any addenda or other additions 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.

#### **Venue, 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 for any dispute resolution process, other than litigation, between TIPS and the Vendor shall be located in Camp or Titus County, Texas.

#### **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 desires goods or services awarded to the Vendor. Notification may occur via phone, the web, courier, email, fax, or in person. Upon notification of a pending request, the awarded Vendor shall acknowledge the TIPS Member's request as soon as possible, but must make contact with the TIPS Member within two working days.

#### **Status of TIPS Members as Related to This Agreement**

TIPS Members stand in the place of TIPS as related to this agreement and have the same access to the proposal information and all related documents. TIPS Members have all the same rights under the awarded Agreement as TIPS.



**Vendor's Resellers as Related to This Agreement**

Vendor's Named Resellers ("Resellers") under this Agreement shall comply with all terms and conditions of this agreement and all addenda or incorporated documents. All actions related to sales by Authorized Vendor's Resellers under this Agreement are the responsibility of the awarded Vendor. If Resellers fail to report sales to TIPS under your Agreement, the awarded Vendor is responsible for their contractual failures and shall be billed for the fees. The awarded Vendor may then recover the fees from their named reseller.

**Support Requirements**

If there is a dispute between the awarded Vendor and TIPS Member, TIPS or its representatives may, at TIPS sole discretion, assist in conflict resolution if requested by either party. TIPS, or its representatives, reserves the right to inspect any project and audit the awarded Vendor's TIPS project files, documentation and correspondence related to the requesting TIPS Member's order. If there are confidentiality requirements by either party, TIPS shall comply to the extent permitted by law.

**Incorporation of Solicitation**

The TIPS Solicitation which resulted in this Vendor Agreement, whether a Request for Proposals, the Request for Competitive Sealed Proposals or Request for Qualifications solicitation, or other, the Vendor's response to same and all associated documents and forms made part of the solicitation process, including any addenda, are hereby incorporated by reference into this Agreement as if copied verbatim.

**SECTION HEADERS OR TITLES**

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

**STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS**

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 does not and will 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 three (3) business day of the change by a letter on Vendor's letterhead from and signed by 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](mailto:bids@tips-usa.com)

## Insurance Requirements

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

<b>General Liability</b>	\$1,000,000 each Occurrence/ Aggregate
<b>Automobile Liability</b>	\$300,000 Includes owned, hired & non-owned
<b>Workers' Compensation</b>	Statutory limits for the jurisdiction in which the Vendor performs under this Agreement.
<b>Umbrella Liability</b>	\$1,000,000

When the Vendor or its subcontractors are liable for any damages or claims, the Vendor's policy, when the Vendor is responsible for the claim, must be primary over any other valid and collectible insurance carried by the Member. 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 Vendor(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, unless proof of retention funds to cover said deductibles is provided. "Claims made" policies will not be accepted. Vendor's required minimum coverage shall not be suspended, voided, cancelled, non-renewed or reduced in coverage or in limits unless replaced by a policy that provides the minimum required coverage except after thirty (30) days prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested has been given to TIPS or the TIPS Member if a project or pending delivery of an order is ongoing. Upon request, certified copies of all insurance policies shall be furnished to the TIPS or the TIPS Member.

## Special Terms and Conditions

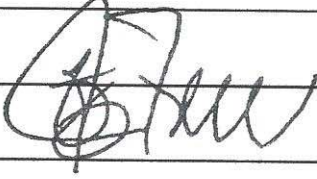
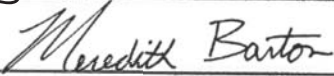

- **Orders:** All Vendor orders received from TIPS Members must be emailed to TIPS at [tipspo@tips-usa.com](mailto:tipspo@tips-usa.com). Should a TIPS Member send an order directly to the Vendor, it is the Vendor's responsibility to forward a copy of the order to TIPS at the email above within 3 business days and confirm its receipt with TIPS.
- **Vendor Encouraging Members to bypass TIPS agreement:** Encouraging TIPS Members to purchase directly from the Vendor or through another agreement, when the Member has requested using the TIPS cooperative Agreement or price, and thereby bypassing the 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.
- **Order Confirmation:** All TIPS Member Agreement orders are approved daily by TIPS and sent to the Vendor. The Vendor should confirm receipt of orders to the TIPS Member (customer) within 3 business days.
- **Vendor custom website for TIPS:** If Vendor is hosting a custom TIPS website, updated pricing when effective. TIPS shall be notified when prices change in accordance with the award.
- **Back Ordered Products:** If product is not expected to ship within the time provided to the TIPS Member by the Vendor, the Member is to be notified within 3 business days and appropriate action taken based on customer request.

The TIPS Vendor Agreement Signature Page is inserted here.

# TIPS Vendor Agreement Signature Form

RFP 201102 Floor Covering, Supplies and Services

PART 1 ONLY

Company Name Tarkett USA Inc.  
Address 30000 Aurora Road  
City Solon State OH Zip 44139  
Phone 706-281-2730 Fax \_\_\_\_\_  
Email of Authorized Representative jamie.collins@tarkett.com  
Name of Authorized Representative Jeff Fenwick  
Title President  
Signature of Authorized Representative   
Date 12/10/2020  
TIPS Authorized Representative Name Meredith Barton  
Title Chief Operating Officer  
TIPS Authorized Representative Signature   
Approved by ESC Region 8   
Date 1/26/2021

## **NOTICE TO MEMBERS REGARDING ATTRIBUTE RESPONSES**

TIPS VENDORS RESPOND TO ATTRIBUTE QUESTIONS AS PART OF TIPS COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION PROCESS. THE VENDOR'S RESPONSES TO ATTRIBUTE QUESTIONS ARE INCLUDED HEREIN AS "SUPPLIER RESPONSE." PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT DEVIATIONS, IF ANY, IN VENDOR'S RESPONSE TO ATTRIBUTE QUESTIONS MAY NOT REFLECT VENDOR'S FINAL ATTRIBUTE RESPONSE, WHICH IS SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATIONS PRIOR TO AWARD. PLEASE CONTACT THE TIPS OFFICE AT 866-839-8477 WITH QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS REGARDING VENDOR ATTRIBUTE RESPONSE DEVIATIONS. PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT TIPS DOES NOT PROVIDE LEGAL COUNSEL TO MEMBERS. TIPS RECOMMENDS THAT YOU CONSULT YOUR LEGAL COUNSEL WHEN EXECUTING CONTRACTS WITH OR MAKING PURCHASES FROM TIPS VENDORS.



## 201102

### Tarkett USA Inc

### Supplier Response

#### Event Information

Number: 201102  
Title: Floor Covering, Supplies and Services 2 Part with JOC  
Type: Request for Proposal  
Issue Date: 11/5/2020  
Deadline: 12/15/2020 03:00 PM (CT)  
Notes: This is a 2 PART solicitation. PART 1 is for projects that are not considered construction or a public work. It includes, but is not limited to, parts, supplies, maintenance services and repairs. PART 2 Job Order Contract (JOC) is for projects considered construction or public work projects. The determination of whether or not a project requires a PART 2 JOC is the responsibility of the TIPS member entity. Vendors are encouraged to respond to BOTH PARTS 1 and 2 to meet the needs of our members, but responses to both parts is not required.

#### Contact Information

Address: Region 8 Education Service Center  
4845 US Highway 271 North  
Pittsburg, TX 75686  
Phone: +1 (866) 839-8477  
Email: [bids@tips-usa.com](mailto:bids@tips-usa.com)

## Tarkett USA Inc Information

Address: 30000 Aurora Road  
Solon, OH 44139  
Phone: (800) 248-2878

By submitting your response, you certify that you are authorized to represent and bind your company.

Jamie Collins

*Signature*

*Submitted at 12/11/2020 12:03:38 PM*

[jamie.collins@tarkett.com](mailto:jamie.collins@tarkett.com)

*Email*

## Requested Attachments

### Vendor Agreement part 1

Attachment 1 Vendor Agreement - PART 1 ONLY.pdf

The vendor must download the Vendor Agreement from the attachment tab, fill in the requested information and upload the completed agreement.

DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

### Agreement Signature Form part 1

Attachment 2 SIGNED Agreement\_Signature\_Form\_ PART 1 ONLY.pdf

If you have not taken exception or deviation to the agreement language in the solicitation attributes, download the AGREEMENT SIGNATURE FORM from the "ATTACHMENTS" tab. This PDF document is a fillable form. Download the document to your computer, fill in the requested company information, print the file, SIGN the form, SCAN the completed and signed AGREEMENT SIGNATURE FORM, and upload here.

If you have taken exception to any of the agreement language and noted the exception in the deviations section of the attributes for the agreement, complete the AGREEMENT SIGNATURE FORM, but DO NOT SIGN until those deviations have been negotiated and resolved with TIPS management. Upload the unsigned form here, because this is a required document.

### Vendor Agreement Part 2

Attachment 3 Vendor\_Agreement\_JOC\_PART 2 ONLY.pdf

If proposing on Part 2, the vendor must download the Vendor Agreement from the attachment tab, fill in the requested information and upload the completed agreement.

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### Agreement Signature Form Part 2

Attachment 4 SIGNED Agreement\_Signature\_Form\_ PART 2 ONLY.pdf

If proposing on Part 2, the vendor must download the Vendor Agreement from the attachment tab, fill in the requested information and upload the completed agreement.

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### Part 1 Pricing Spreadsheet #1

Attachment 5 Pricing\_form\_1\_PART 1 ONLY.xlsx

The vendor must download the PRICING SPREADSHEET SHEET from the attachment tab, fill in the requested information and upload the completed spreadsheet.

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### Part 1 Pricing Spreadsheet #2

Attachment 6 Pricing\_form\_2\_PART 1 ONLY.xlsx

The vendor must download the PRICING SPREADSHEET SHEET from the attachment tab, fill in the requested information and upload the completed spreadsheet.

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### JOC Pricing of Itemized list of Means non-prepriced items

Attachment 7 Not Applicable PART 2 JOC - Non-Prepriced Items .xlsx

If you have items listed on the form titled "JOC Pricing of Itemized list of Means non-prepriced items" please complete the form and upload. If you have nothing to offer in this price sheet, just upload the form blank and put Not Applicable on the form.



## References

Tarkett References Form.xlsx

Valid Reference Email addresses are REQUIRED on the spreadsheet. The vendor must download the References spreadsheet from the attachment tab, fill in the requested information and upload the completed spreadsheet. DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

## Proposed Goods and Services

Tarkett Products and Company information.pdf

Please upload one or more documents or sheets describing your offerings, line cards, catalogs, links to offerings OR list links to your offerings that illustrate the catalog of proposed lines of goods and or services you carry and offer under this proposal. It does not have to be exhaustive but should, at a minimum tell us what you are offering. It could be as simple as a sheet with your link to your online catalog of goods and services.

## D/M/WBE Certification OPTIONAL

No response

D/M/WBE Certification documentation may be scanned and uploaded if you desire to claim your status as one of the identified enterprises. (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise, Minority Business Enterprise and/or Woman Business Enterprise) If vendor has more than one certification scan into one document. (PDF Format ONLY)  
DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

## Warranty

Attachment 11 Warranty Information Products.pdf

Warranty information (if applicable) must be scanned and uploaded. (PDF Format ONLY)  
DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

## Supplementary

Attachment 11 Warranty Information Products.pdf

Supplementary information can be scanned and uploaded. (Company information, brochures, catalogs, etc.) (PDF Format ONLY)  
DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

## All Other Certificates

Attachment 13 Tarkett Certifications access information.pdf

All Other Certificates (if applicable) must be scanned and uploaded. If vendor has more than one other certification scan into one document. (PDF Format ONLY)  
DO NOT UPLOAD encrypted or password protected files.

## Logo and Other Company Marks

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## Conflict of Interest Form CIQ- ONLY REQUIRED IF A CONFLICT EXISTS PER THE INSTRUCTIONS

No response

ONLY REQUIRED IF A CONFLICT EXISTS PER THE INSTRUCTIONS  
Conflict of Interest Form for Vendors that are required to submit the form. The Conflict of Interest Form is included in the Base documents or can be found at <https://www.tips-usa.com/assets/documents/docs/CIQ.pdf>.

## Certificate of Corporate Offerer - COMPLETE ONLY IF OFFERER IS A CORPORATION

Attachment 16 Certificate Corporate Officer.pdf

COMPLETE AND UPLOAD FORM IN ATTACHMENTS SECTION ONLY IF OFFERER IS A CORPORATION

## Lobbying Report Standard Form-LLL, "disclosure Form to Report Lobbying,"

No response

If you answered "I HAVE Lobbied per above" to attribute #66, please download and complete and upload the Standard Form-LLL, "disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in the Response attachments section.

## Confidentiality Form

Attachment 18 Confidential Form.pdf

REQUIRED CONFIDENTIALITY FORM. Complete the form according to your company requirements, make any desired attachments and upload to the appropriate section under "Response Attachments" THIS FORM DETERMINES HOW ESC8/TIPS RESPONDS TO LEGAL PUBLIC INFORMATION REQUESTS.

## Bonding Capacity Letter from Surety/Insurance Company

Attachment 19 Tarkett bonding letter.pdf

REQUIRED IF YOU ARE PROPOSING ON PART 2 -Attach the Bonding Capacity Letter from Surety/Insurance Company. if you do not have one available at time of proposal, attached a letter stating it will be submitted when received to prove bonding capacity. No award can be made until official bonding capacity letter is received by TIPS.

You are required by TIPS to upload a current W-9 Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Tax Form for your entity. This form will be utilized by TIPS to properly identify your entity. Additionally, if not designated "Confidential" in your proposal response, this W-9 may be accessed by TIPS Members for the purpose of making TIPS purchases from you in the event that you are awarded. If you wish to designate your required W-9 confidential, please do so according to the terms of the Confidentiality Claim Form which is an attachment to this solicitation.

## Bid Attributes

### 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.

### 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.

### 3 Yes - No

The Vendor can provide services and/or products to all 50 US States?

### 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.)

Tarkett manufactures and develops the world's most extensive system of flooring product solutions and service. The Tarkett Solution SPECtrum™ includes products such as: Powerbond, modular tile, luxury vinyl tile (LVT), heterogeneous & homogeneous vinyl sheet, VCT, rubber flooring, sports flooring, wallbase, stairwell management and more. Our innovative flooring and surface solutions don't just perform, they inspire. Because health and wellness are at the heart of everything we do, you'll find healthier materials in every product category and the industry's most extensive inventory of Cradle to Cradle® certifications. It's another way we're Doing Good—Together. Great spaces. One surface at a time.

### 6 Primary Contact Name

Primary Contact Name

7	<b>Primary Contact Title</b> Primary Contact Title <input type="text" value="Account Executive"/>
8	<b>Primary Contact Email</b> Primary Contact Email <input type="text" value="christie.hood@tarkett.com"/>
9	<b>Primary Contact Phone</b> Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477 <input type="text" value="5016072044"/>
10	<b>Primary Contact Fax</b> Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477 <input type="text" value="No response"/>
11	<b>Primary Contact Mobile</b> Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477 <input type="text" value="5016072044"/>
12	<b>Secondary Contact Name</b> Secondary Contact Name <input type="text" value="Kandid Scott"/>
13	<b>Secondary Contact Title</b> Secondary Contact Title <input type="text" value="Account Executive"/>
14	<b>Secondary Contact Email</b> Secondary Contact Email <input type="text" value="kandid.scott@tarkett.com"/>
15	<b>Secondary Contact Phone</b> Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477 <input type="text" value="5012096432"/>
16	<b>Secondary Contact Fax</b> Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477 <input type="text" value="No response"/>

17	<b>Secondary Contact Mobile</b> Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477 <input type="text" value="5012096432"/>
18	<b>Admin Fee Contact Name</b> Admin Fee Contact Name. This person is responsible for paying the admin fee to TIPS. <input type="text" value="Tristan McCutchen"/>
19	<b>Admin Fee Contact Email</b> Admin Fee Contact Email <input type="text" value="tristan.mccutcheon@tarkett.com"/>
20	<b>Admin Fee Contact Phone</b> Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477 <input type="text" value="7062592177"/>
21	<b>Purchase Order Contact Name</b> Purchase Order Contact Name. This person is responsible for receiving Purchase Orders from TIPS. <input type="text" value="Christie Hood"/>
22	<b>Purchase Order Contact Email</b> Purchase Order Contact Email <input type="text" value="christie.hood@tarkett.com"/>
23	<b>Purchase Order Contact Phone</b> Enter 10 digit phone number. (No dashes or extensions) Example: 8668398477 <input type="text" value="5016072044"/>
24	<b>Company Website</b> Company Website (Format - www.company.com) <input type="text" value="commercial.tarkett.com"/>
25	<b>Federal ID Number</b> Federal ID Number also known as the Employer Identification Number (EIN). Numeric only. (Format: 123456789) <input type="text" value="63185575"/>
26	<b>Primary Address</b> Primary Address <input type="text" value="30000 Aurora Road"/>
27	<b>Primary Address City</b> Primary Address City <input type="text" value="Solon"/>

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**Primary Address State**

Primary Address State (2 Digit Abbreviation)

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**Primary Address Zip**

Primary Address Zip

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**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.)

Tarkett, Tandus, Centiva, flooring, Powerbond, modular tile, ethos, LVT, Id Latitude, Contour, Victory, resilient, vinyl sheet, VCT, VET, SVT, rubber, rubber tile, sheet vinyl, sports floor, wallbase, stairwell, treads, flooring accessories, IQ Optima, Lino, luxury vinyl tile, broadloom, woven, carpet, linoleum, techtonic

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**Do you want TIPS Members to be able to spend Federal grant funds with you if awarded? Is it your intent to be able to sell to our members regardless of the fund source, whether it be local, state or federal?**

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.

Do you want TIPS Members to be able to spend Federal grant funds with you if awarded and is it your intent to be able to sell to our members regardless of the fund source, whether it be local, state or federal?

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**Yes - No**

Certification of Residency - The vendor's ultimate parent company or majority owner:

(A) has its principal place of business in Texas;

OR

(B) employs at least 500 persons in Texas?

This question is required as a data gathering function for information to our members making purchases with awarded vendors. Does not affect scoring with TIPS.

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**Company Residence (City)**

Vendor's principal place of business is in the city of?

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4**Company Residence (State)**

Vendor's principal place of business is in the state of?

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5**Discount Offered - CAUTION READ CAREFULLY BECAUSE VENDORS FREQUENTLY MAKE MISTAKES ON THIS ATTRIBUTE QUESTION**

Remember this is a MINIMUM discount percentage so, be sure the discount percentage inserted here can be applied to ANY OFFERING OF GOODS OR SERVICES THROUGH OUT THE LIFE OF THE CONTRACT

CAUTION: BE CERTAIN YOU CAN HONOR THIS MINIMUM DISCOUNT PERCENTAGE ON ANY OFFERED SERVICE OR GOOD NOW OR DURING THE LIFE OF THE CONTRACT.

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 solicitation specifications document), website, store or shelf pricing or when adding new goods or services to your offerings during the life of the contract? The resulting price of any goods or services Catalog list prices after this discount is applied 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%.

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6**Yes - No**

If awarded on Part 1 of the TIPS Contract, for the duration of the Contract, Vendor agrees to provide catalog pricing, as defined in the solicitation and below, to TIPS upon request for any goods and services offered on PART 1 of the Vendor's TIPS Contract, if any.

"Catalog" means the available list of tangible personal property or services, in the most current listing, regardless of date, during the life of the contract, that takes the form of a catalog, price list, schedule, shelf price or other form that:

- A. is regularly maintained by the manufacturer or Vendor of an item; and
- B. is either published or otherwise available for inspection by a customer during the purchase process;
- C. to which the minimum discount proposed by the proposing Vendor may be applied.

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7**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 or the vendor's named resellers and 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.



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8**REQUIRED FOR PART 2 JOC - PRICING OF Regular Hours Coefficient**

**What is your regular hours coefficient for the RS Means Price Book? (FAILURE TO RESPOND PROHIBITS PART 2 JOC EVALUATION)**

Remember that this is a ceiling price proposed. You can discount lower than your proposed contract coefficient, but not higher.

This is one of three pricing questions that are required for consideration for award on this solicitation. Please consider your answer carefully. An explanation of the TIPS scoring of pricing is included in the attachments for your information.

The below is an Example of how pricing model works (not intended to influence your proposed coefficient, you should propose a coefficient that you determine is right for your business):

To propose the exact pricing as the RS Means Unit Price Book, you would insert a 1.0 and to propose a 5% discount for the RS Means Price Book would be a .95 regular hours coefficient and so on.

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9**REQUIRED FOR PART 2 JOC - PRICING OF After Hours Coefficient**

**What is your after hours coefficient for the RS Means Price Book for work performed after normal working hours? (FAILURE TO RESPOND PROHIBITS PART 2 JOC EVALUATION)**

Remember that this is a ceiling price proposed. You can discount to any TIPS Member customer a lower coefficient than your proposed contract coefficient, but not higher.

This is one of three pricing questions that are required for consideration for award on this solicitation. Please consider your answer carefully. An explanation of the TIPS scoring of pricing titled "Pricing Coefficient Instruction" is included in the attachments for your information.

The below is an EXAMPLE of how the pricing model works (It is not intended to influence your proposed coefficient, you should propose a coefficient that you determine is reasonable for your business for the life of the contract): The most common after hours coefficient is time and a half of the RS Means Unit Price Book prices. To illustrate this coefficient, if your regular hours coefficient is .95, your after hours coefficient would be 1.45.

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0**REQUIRED FOR 2 PART JOC - PRICING for Markup of Non-Prepriced Items in RS Means Unit Price Book**

**What is your proposed Markup Percentage on materials not found in the RS Means Price Book? (FAILURE TO RESPOND PROHIBITS PART 2 JOC EVALUATION)**

If any materials being utilized for a project cannot be found in the RS Means Price Book, this question is what is the markup percentage on those materials?

When answering this question please insert the number that represents your percentage of proposed markup. Example: if you are proposing a 30 percent markup, please insert the number "30".

Remember that this is a ceiling markup. You may markup a lesser percentage to the TIPS Member customer when pricing the project, but not a greater percentage.

EXAMPLE: You need special materials that are not in the RS Means Unit Price Book for a project. You would buy the materials and mark them up to the TIPS Member customer by the percentage you propose in this question. If the materials cost you, the contractor, \$100 and you proposed a markup on this question for the material of 30 percent, then you would charge the TIPS Member customer \$130 for the materials.

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**Yes - No**

Vendor agrees to remit to TIPS the required administration fee or, if resellers are named, guarantee the fee remittance by or for the reseller named by the vendor?

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.

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**Yes - No**

Do you offer additional discounts to TIPS members for large order quantities or large scope of work?

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**Years experience in this category of goods or services.**

Company years experience in this category of goods or services?

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**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, as the awarded vendor of TIPS.

EXAMPLE: BIGmart is a reseller of ACME brand televisions. If ACME were a TIPS awarded vendor, then ACME would list BIGmart as a reseller.

(If applicable, Vendor should add all Authorized Resellers within the TIPS Vendor Portal upon award).

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**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?

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#### NON-COLLUSIVE BIDDING CERTIFICATE

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

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

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

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#### CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE - FORM CIQ -Do you have any CONFLICT OF INTEREST TO REPORT OR DISCLOSE under this statutory requirement?

Do you have any CONFLICT OF INTEREST TO REPORT OR DISCLOSE under this statutory requirement? YES or NO

If you have a conflict of interest as described in this form or the Local Government Code Chapter 176, cited therein- you are required to complete and file with TIPS.

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>

There is an optional upload for this form provided if you have a conflict and must file the form.

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#### Filing of Form CIQ

If yes (above), have you filed a form CIQ by uploading the form to this RFP as directed above?

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#### Regulatory Standing

I certify to TIPS for the proposal attached that my 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.

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#### Regulatory Standing

Regulatory Standing explanation of no answer on previous question.

**Antitrust Certification Statements (Tex. Government Code § 2155.005)**

By submission of this bid or proposal, the Bidder certifies 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.

**Suspension or Debarment Instructions**

## Instructions for Certification:

1. By answering yes to the next Attribute question below, 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 transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and / or debarment.

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3**Suspension or Debarment Certification**

By answering yes, you certify that no federal suspension or debarment is in place, which would preclude receiving a federally funded contract as described above.

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 government-wide 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 answering yes, you certify that no federal suspension or debarment is in place, which would preclude receiving a federally funded contract as described above.

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4**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](mailto: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 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.



**5 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.

**5 2 CFR PART 200 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 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.

Does vendor agree?

Yes

**5 2 CFR PART 200 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 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?

Yes

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## 2 CFR PART 200 Clean Air Act

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?

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## 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?

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## 2 CFR PART 200 Federal Rule

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

Pursuant to 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?

**6 1 2 CFR PART 200 Procurement of Recovered Materials**

A non-Federal entity that is a state agency or agency of a political subdivision of a state and its contractors must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

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

**6 2 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.

**6 3 Lobbying Report Standard Form-LLL, "disclosure Form to Report Lobbying,"**

ONLY IF you answered "I HAVE Lobbied per above" to attribute above titled "[Certification Regarding Lobbying](#)", please download and complete and upload the Standard Form-LLL, "disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in the Response attachments section.

**6 4 Subcontracting with small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms.**

Do you ever anticipate the possibility of subcontracting any of your work under this award if you are successful?

IF NO, DO NOT ANSWER THE NEXT ATTRIBUTE QUESTION. . IF YES, and ONLY IF YES, you must answer the next question YES if you want a TIPS Member to be authorized to spend Federal Grant Funds for Procurement.

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**ONLY IF YES TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION OR if you ever do subcontract any part of your performance under the TIPS Agreement, do you agree to comply with the following federal requirements?**

ONLY IF YES TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS OR if you ever do subcontract any part of your performance under the TIPS Agreement,

do you agree to comply with the following federal requirements?

Federal Regulation 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.

YES

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**If proposing on PART 2, Davis-Bacon Act compliance.**

IF proposing on PART 2, Texas Statute requires compliance with Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148). When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part S, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction"). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non-Federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency. The contracts must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act {40 U.S.C. 314S), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.

BY SUBMITTING A PROPOSAL FOR PART 2 OF THIS SOLICITATION, the Vendor agrees, AS REQUIRED BY LAW, to comply with the Davis Bacon Act, IF APPLICABLE and if proposing on PART 2 of this solicitation.

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7**Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708)**

Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.

By submitting a proposal to PART 2 of this solicitation and IF the customer is utilizing federal funds as described above, the Vendor agrees to comply with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708).

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8**Indemnification**

The ESC Region 8 and TIPS is a Texas Political Subdivision and a local governmental entity; therefore, is prohibited from indemnifying third parties pursuant to the Texas Constitution (Article 3, Section 52) except as specifically provided by law or as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction. A provision in a contract to indemnify or hold a party harmless is a promise to pay for any expenses the indemnified party incurs, if a specified event occurs, such as breaching the terms of the contract or negligently performing duties under the contract. Article 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."

Do you agree to these terms?

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9**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 MAY 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?

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0**Remedies Explanation of No Answer**

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1**Choice of Law**

The agreement between the Vendor and TIPS/ESC Region 8 and any addenda or other additions 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.  
THIS DOES NOT APPLY to a vendor's agreement entered into with a TIPS Member, as the Member may be located outside Texas.

Do you agree to these terms?

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2**Venue, Jurisdiction and Service of Process**

Any proceeding, involving Region 8 ESC or TIPS, 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. Any dispute resolution process other than litigation shall have venue in Camp County or Titus County Texas.

Do you agree to these terms?

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3**Alternative Dispute Resolution Explanation of No Answer**7  
4**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?

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5**Infringement(s) Explanation of No Answer**7  
6**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?



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### Acts or Omissions Explanation of No Answer

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 to the extent caused by the negligent acts or negligent 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.

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### 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

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### Payment Terms and Funding Out Clause

Payment Terms:

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?

Yes

## 80 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](mailto: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

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

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

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

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

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.

☐ None

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

SB 807 prohibits construction contracts to have provisions 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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3**Texas Government Code 2270 Verification Form**

Texas Government Code 2270 Verification Form

If (a) Vendor is not a sole proprietorship; (b) Vendor has ten (10) or more full-time employees; and (c) this Agreement has a value of \$100,000 or more, the following certification shall apply; otherwise, this certification is not required. Pursuant to Chapter 2270 of the Texas Government Code, the Vendor hereby certifies and verifies that neither the Vendor, nor any affiliate, subsidiary, or parent company of the Vendor, if any (the "Vendor Companies"), boycotts Israel, and the Vendor agrees that the Vendor and Vendor Companies will not boycott Israel during the term of this Agreement. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "boycott" shall mean and include refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli-controlled territory, but does not include an action made for ordinary business purposes.

Our 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>

I swear and affirm that the above is true and correct.

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4**Logos and other company marks**

Please upload your company logo to be added to your individual profile page on the TIPS website. If any particular specifications are required for use of your company logo, please upload that information under the "Logo and Other Company Marks" section under the "Response Attachment" tab. Preferred Logo Format: 300 x 225 px - .png, .eps, .jpeg preferred

Potential uses of company logo:

\* Your Vendor Profile Page of TIPS website

\* Potentially on TIPS website scroll bar for Top Performing Vendors

\* TIPS Quarterly eNewsletter sent to TIPS Members

\* Co-branding Flyers and or email blasts to our TIPS Members (Permission and approval will be obtained before publishing)

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5**Solicitation Deviation/Compliance**

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

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6**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.

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7**Agreement Deviation/Compliance**

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

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8**Agreement Exceptions/Deviations Explanation**

If the proposing Vendor desires to deviate from 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.

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9**Long Term Cost Evaluation Criterion on PART 1 EVALUATION ONLY**

READ CAREFULLY and see in the RFP document under "Proposal Scoring and Evaluation".

Points will be assigned to this criterion based on your answer to this Attribute. Points are awarded if you agree not increase your catalog prices (as defined herein) more than X% annually over the previous year for years two and three and potentially year four, unless an exigent circumstance exists in the marketplace and the excess price increase which exceeds X% annually is supported by documentation provided by you and your suppliers and shared with TIPS, if requested. If you agree NOT to increase prices more than 5%, except when justified by supporting documentation, you are awarded 10 points; if 6% to 14%, except when justified by supporting documentation, you receive 1 to 9 points incrementally. Price increases 14% or greater, except when justified by supporting documentation, receive 0 points.

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0**Felony Conviction Notice**

Texas Education Code, 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." (c) This section does not apply to a publicly held corporation. The person completing this proposal certifies that they are authorized to provide the answer to this question.

Select A., B. or C.

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

OR B. My firm is not owned nor operated by anyone who has been convicted of a felony, OR

C. My firm is owned or operated by the following individual(s) who has/have been convicted of a felony. (if you answer C below, you are required to provide information in the next attribute.

B. Firm not owned nor operated by felon; per above

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1**If you answered C. My Firm is owned or operated by a felon to the previous question, you are REQUIRED TO ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.**

If you answered C. My Firm is owned or operated by a felon to the previous question, you must provide the following information.

1. Name of Felon(s)

2. The named person's role in the firm, and

3. Details of Conviction(s).

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2**Required Confidentiality Claim Form**

Required Confidentiality Claim Form

This form is required by TIPS. By submitting a response to this solicitation you agree to download from the "Attachments" section, complete according to the instructions on the form, then uploading the completed form, with any confidential attachments, if applicable, to the "Response Attachments" section titled "Confidentiality Form" in order to provide to TIPS the completed form titled, "CONFIDENTIALITY CLAIM FORM". By completing this process, you provide us with the information we require to comply with the open record laws of the State of Texas as they may apply to your proposal submission. If you do not provide the form with your proposal, an award will not be made if your proposal is qualified for award, until TIPS has an accurate, completed form from you.

Read the form carefully before completing and if you have any questions, email Rick Powell at TIPS at

[rick.powell@tips-usa.com](mailto:rick.powell@tips-usa.com)

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3**Choice of Law clauses for TIPS Members**

If the vendor is awarded a contract with TIPS under this solicitation, the vendor agrees to make any Choice of Law clauses in any contract or agreement entered into between the awarded vendor and with a TIPS member entity to read as follows: "Choice of law shall be the laws of the state where the customer resides" or words to that effect.

Agreed

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4**Venue of dispute resolution with a TIPS Member**

In the event of litigation or use of any dispute resolution model when resolving disputes with a TIPS member entity as a result of a transaction between the vendor and TIPS or the TIPS member entity, the Venue for any litigation or other agreed upon model shall be in the state and county where the customer resides unless otherwise agreed by the parties at the time the dispute resolution model is decided by the parties.

Agreed

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### Indemnity Limitation with TIPS Members

Texas and other states restrict by law or state Constitution the ability of a governmental entity to indemnify others. TIPS requires that any contract entered into between a vendor and TIPS or a TIPS Member as a result of an award under this Solicitation limit the requirement that the Customer indemnify the Vendor by either eliminating any such indemnity requirement clauses in any agreements, contracts or other binding documents **OR** by prefacing all indemnity clauses required of TIPS or the TIPS Member entity with the following: "To the extent permitted by the laws or the Constitution of the state where the customer resides, ".

**Agreement is a required condition to award of a contract resulting from this Solicitation.**

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### Arbitration Clauses

Except for certain circumstances, TIPS forbids a mandatory arbitration clause in any contract or agreement entered into between the awarded vendor with TIPS or a TIPS member entity. Does the vendor agree to exclude any arbitration requirement in any contracts or agreement entered into between TIPS or a TIPS member entity through an awarded contract with TIPS?

**Agreement is a required condition to award of a contract resulting from this Solicitation.**

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### Upload of Current W-9 Required

Please note that you are required by TIPS to upload a current W-9 Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Tax Form for your entity. This form will be utilized by TIPS to properly identify your entity. Additionally, if not designated "Confidential" in your proposal response, this W-9 may be accessed by TIPS Members for the purpose of making TIPS purchases from you in the event that you are awarded. If you wish to designate your required W-9 confidential, please do so according to the terms of the Confidentiality Claim Form which is an attachment to this solicitation.



## 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. DO NOT INCLUDE TIPS EMPLOYEES AS A REFERENCE.

Please verify your references are current and valid, as they are a **SIGNIFICANT** required evaluation component of the

You may provide more than three (3) references.

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Tarkett USA Inc.

**Name of company**

Jeff Fenwick, President

**Printed Name and Title of authorized company officer declaring below the confidential status of material**

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OH

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**Address****City****State****ZIP****Phone****ALL VENDORS MUST COMPLETE THE ABOVE SECTION**

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Signature

Date

## Limited Warranty

### Tarkett Warranty Overview

Tarkett is pleased to offer the world's most-integrated, high-performance flooring system, bringing together design, function and safety; leading to enhanced productivity in high-performance environments. All Tarkett products are warranted against manufacturers' defects to ensure high standards of quality, performance and aesthetics.

### Limited Warranty Information

#### Section 1: Rubber Sheet Flooring

Limited 5-Year Commercial Warranty for Manufacturing Defects: Tarkett warrants from the date of purchase for a period of five (5) years of Commercial use that rubber sheet flooring products conform to written specifications and are free of manufacturing defects, subject to the terms and conditions specified herein.

The customer must notify Tarkett of any obvious visual defects prior to installation; otherwise this warranty will not apply. If the defect is found and Tarkett is notified in writing prior to installation, Tarkett will replace any defective product, at no charge. If the customer believes the product to be defective after installation, the customer must promptly notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the product. If, upon inspection, Tarkett determines that the product is defective, Tarkett will replace or repair the defective product at its own cost, subject to the limitations in this warranty, and prorated as follows: Material and 100% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 1); Material and 50% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 2); and Material Only (Years 3-5).

Tarkett warrants that the products will not wear through for the warranty period of five (5) years of Commercial use. For claims based on wear-through, the customer must notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the flooring. If Tarkett determines that the original flooring is worn through, Tarkett will replace or repair the worn flooring at its own cost; however, labor costs will be the customer's responsibility except as provided on the prorated basis described in the prior paragraph.

SECTION	PRODUCT TYPE	TARKETT BRAND PRODUCT LINES
1	Rubber Sheet Flooring	Replay® Rolls
2	Compression Molded Rubber Tile	Circulinity™; CorkTones™; Defiant™; ColorSplash; MicroTone™; Mesto Configurations™; Minerality™; Organics; Prima® Ollo® and Marbleized; Replay® Tiles; Solid Color Rubber Tile; Tactile Walking Surface Indicators; Terra-Turf®; Triumph and Inertia™
3	Stairwell Management	Rubber or Vinyl Stair Treads, Nosings, Risers, Stringers; Tactile Warning Surface and Safe-T-First®
4	Finishing Borders (Wall Base) Finishing Accessories	BaseWorks®; Masquerade®; Millwork®; Perceptions®; TightLock®; Traditional Rubber or Vinyl; Safe-T-First®; Vent Cove; and Transitions
5	Vinyl Sheet and Tile Flooring	A: iQ™ Optima®; iQ™ Granit™; iQ™ Granit™ Micro; iQ™ Granit™ SD; iQ™ Toro SC; Granit™ Safe-T B: Acczent® C: Aria™; Melodia™; Performa™; Training®; iQ™ Optima® Acoustiflor® D: Standard Plus
6	Vinyl Composition Tile and Plank	A: Vinyl Composition Tile (VCT): Tarkett B: Vinyl Enhanced Tile (VET): Azterra™; Color Essence™ Solid Vinyl Tile (SVT): Cortina Grande™
7	Linoleum Sheet Flooring	LinoFloor xf2™; LinoFloor Acoustiflor xf2™ and LinoWall xf2™
8	Luxury/Solid Vinyl Tile and Plank	A: Adaptt™; iD Inspiration™ 55; iD Principle; Resolve; Transcend™ SureSet™ and iD Mixonomi B: Event; iD Inspiration™ 70; iD Latitude + Techtonic™ and Victory® C: Contour + Techtonic™; Collections Infinies
9	Luxury Tile and Plank (Light Commercial)	Transcend™ Click
10	Underlayment	SureStart™ Underlayment; Tarkolay Underlayment





## **Section 2: Compression Molded Rubber Tile**

Limited 5-Year Commercial Warranty for Manufacturing Defects: Tarkett warrants from the date of purchase for a period of five (5) years of Commercial use that molded rubber tile flooring products conform to written specifications and are free of manufacturing defects, subject to the terms and conditions specified herein.

The customer must notify Tarkett of any obvious visual defects prior to installation; otherwise this warranty will not apply. If the defect is found and Tarkett is notified in writing prior to installation, Tarkett will replace any defective product, at no charge. If the customer believes the product to be defective after installation, the customer must promptly notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the product. If, upon inspection, Tarkett determines that the product is defective, Tarkett will replace or repair the defective product at its own cost, subject to the limitations in this warranty, and prorated as follows: Material and 100% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 1); Material and 50% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 2); and Material Only (Years 3-5).

Tarkett warrants that the products will not wear through for the warranty period of five (5) years of Commercial use. For claims based on wear-through, the customer must notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the flooring. If Tarkett determines that the original flooring is worn through, Tarkett will replace or repair the worn flooring at its own cost; however, labor costs will be the customer's responsibility except as provided on the prorated basis described in the prior paragraph.

## **Section 3: Rubber or Vinyl Stair Treads**

Limited 5-Year Commercial Warranty for Manufacturing Defects: Tarkett warrants from the date of purchase for a period of five (5) years of Commercial use that rubber or vinyl stair tread products conform to written specifications and are free of manufacturing defects, subject to the terms and conditions specified herein.

The customer must notify Tarkett of any obvious visual defects prior to installation; otherwise this warranty will not apply. If the defect is found and Tarkett is notified in writing prior to installation, Tarkett will replace any defective product, at no charge. If the customer believes the product to be defective after installation, the customer must promptly notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the product. If, upon inspection, Tarkett determines that the product is defective, Tarkett will replace or repair the defective product at its own cost, subject to the limitations in this warranty, and prorated as follows: Material and 100% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 1); Material and 50% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 2); and Material Only (Years 3-5).

## **Section 4: Finishing Borders (Wall Base & Accessories)**

Limited 2-Year Commercial Warranty for Manufacturing Defects: Tarkett warrants from the date of purchase for a period of two (2) years of Commercial use that rubber or vinyl wall base and/or accessory products conform to written specifications and are free of manufacturing defects, subject to the terms and conditions specified herein.

The customer must notify Tarkett of any obvious visual defects prior to installation; otherwise this warranty will not apply. If the defect is found and Tarkett is notified in writing prior to installation, Tarkett will replace any defective product, at no charge. If the customer believes the product to be defective after installation, the customer must promptly notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the product. If, upon inspection, Tarkett determines that the product is defective, Tarkett will replace or repair the defective product at its own cost, subject to the limitations in this warranty, and prorated as follows: Material and 100% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 1); Material and 50% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 2).

## **Section 5A: Vinyl Sheet and Tile Flooring**

Limited 20-Year Commercial Warranty for Manufacturing Defects: Tarkett warrants from the date of purchase for a period of twenty (20) years of Commercial use that vinyl sheet and/or tile flooring products conform to written specifications and are free of manufacturing defects, subject to the terms and conditions specified herein.

The customer must notify Tarkett of any obvious visual defects prior to installation; otherwise this warranty will not apply. If the defect is found and Tarkett is notified in writing prior to installation, Tarkett will replace any defective product, at no charge. If the customer believes the product to be defective after installation, the customer must promptly notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the product. If, upon inspection, Tarkett determines that the product is defective, Tarkett will replace or repair the defective product at its own cost, subject to the limitations in this warranty, and prorated as follows: Material and 100% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 1); Material and 50% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 2-3); Material and 25% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 4-5); Material Only (Years 6-10); 50% Material Only (Years 11-15); and 25% Material Only (Years 16-20).

Tarkett warrants that the products will not wear through for the warranty period of twenty (20) years of Commercial use. For claims based on wear-through, the customer must notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the flooring. If Tarkett determines that the original flooring is worn through, Tarkett will replace or repair the worn flooring at its own cost; however, labor costs will be the customer's responsibility except as provided on the prorated basis described in the prior paragraph.

## **Section 5B: Vinyl Sheet and Tile Flooring**

Limited 15-Year Commercial Warranty for Manufacturing Defects: Tarkett warrants from the date of purchase for a period of fifteen (15) years of Commercial use that vinyl sheet flooring products conform to written specifications and are free of manufacturing defects, subject to the terms and conditions specified herein.

The customer must notify Tarkett of any obvious visual defects prior to installation; otherwise this warranty will not apply. If the

defect is found and Tarkett is notified in writing prior to installation, Tarkett will replace any defective product, at no charge. If the customer believes the product to be defective after installation, the customer must promptly notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the product. If, upon inspection, Tarkett determines that the product is defective, Tarkett will replace or repair the defective product at its own cost, subject to the limitations in this warranty, and prorated as follows: Material and 100% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 1); Material and 50% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 2-3); Material Only (Years 4-10); 50% Material Only (Years 11-15).

Tarkett warrants that the products will not wear through for the warranty period of fifteen (15) years of Commercial use. For claims based on wear-through, the customer must notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the flooring. If Tarkett determines that the original flooring is worn through, Tarkett will replace or repair the worn flooring at its own cost; however, labor costs will be the customer's responsibility except as provided on the prorated basis described in the prior paragraph.

#### **Section 5C: Vinyl Sheet and Tile Flooring**

**Limited 10-Year Commercial Warranty for Manufacturing Defects:** Tarkett warrants from the date of purchase for a period of ten (10) years of Commercial use that vinyl sheet and/or tile flooring products conform to written specifications and are free of manufacturing defects, subject to the terms and conditions specified herein.

The customer must notify Tarkett of any obvious visual defects prior to installation; otherwise this warranty will not apply. If the defect is found and Tarkett is notified in writing prior to installation, Tarkett will replace any defective product, at no charge. If the customer believes the product to be defective after installation, the customer must promptly notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the product. If, upon inspection, Tarkett determines that the product is defective, Tarkett will replace or repair the defective product at its own cost, subject to the limitations in this warranty, and prorated as follows: Material and 100% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 1); Material and 50% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 2-3); and Material Only (Years 4-10).

Tarkett warrants that the products will not wear through for the warranty period of ten (10) years of Commercial use. For claims based on wear-through, the customer must notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the flooring. If Tarkett determines that the original flooring is worn through, Tarkett will replace or repair the worn flooring at its own cost; however, labor costs will be the customer's responsibility except as provided on the prorated basis described in the prior paragraph.

#### **Section 5D: Vinyl Sheet and Tile Flooring**

**Limited 5-Year Commercial Warranty for Manufacturing Defects:** Tarkett warrants from the date of purchase for a period of five (5) years of Commercial use that vinyl sheet and/or tile flooring products conform to written specifications and are free of manufacturing defects, subject to the terms and conditions specified herein.

The customer must notify Tarkett of any obvious visual defects prior to installation; otherwise this warranty will not apply. If the defect is found and Tarkett is notified in writing prior to installation, Tarkett will replace any defective product, at no charge. If the customer believes the product to be defective after installation, the customer must promptly notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the product. If, upon inspection, Tarkett determines that the product is defective, Tarkett will replace or repair the defective product at its own cost, subject to the limitations in this warranty, and prorated as follows: Material and 100% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 1); Material and 50% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 2-3); and Material Only (Years 4-5).

Tarkett warrants that the products will not wear through for the warranty period of five (5) years of Commercial use. For claims based on wear-through, the customer must notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the flooring. If Tarkett determines that the original flooring is worn through, Tarkett will replace or repair the worn flooring at its own cost; however, labor costs will be the customer's responsibility except as provided on the prorated basis described in the prior paragraph.

#### **Section 6A: Vinyl Composition Tile and Plank**

**Limited 5-Year Commercial Warranty for Manufacturing Defects:** Tarkett warrants from the date of purchase for a period of five (5) years of Commercial use that vinyl composition tile and plank flooring products conform to written specifications and are free of manufacturing defects, subject to the terms and conditions specified herein.

The customer must notify Tarkett of any obvious visual defects prior to installation; otherwise this warranty will not apply. If the defect is found and Tarkett is notified in writing prior to installation, Tarkett will replace any defective product, at no charge. If the customer believes the product to be defective after installation, the customer must promptly notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the product. If, upon inspection, Tarkett determines that the product is defective, Tarkett will replace or repair the defective product at its own cost, subject to the limitations in this warranty, and prorated as follows: Material and 100% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 1); Material and 50% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 2); and Material Only (Years 3-5).

Tarkett warrants that the products will not wear through for the warranty period of five (5) years of Commercial use. For claims based on wear-through, the customer must notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the flooring. If Tarkett determines that the original flooring is worn through, Tarkett will replace or repair the worn flooring at its own cost; however, labor costs will be the customer's responsibility except as provided on the prorated basis described in the prior paragraph.

#### **Section 6B: Vinyl Tile Flooring**

**Limited 10-Year Commercial Warranty for Manufacturing Defects:** Tarkett warrants from the date of purchase for a period of ten (10) years of Commercial use that vinyl tile flooring products conform to written specifications and are free of manufacturing

defects, subject to the terms and conditions specified herein.

The customer must notify Tarkett of any obvious visual defects prior to installation; otherwise this warranty will not apply. If the defect is found and Tarkett is notified in writing prior to installation, Tarkett will replace any defective product, at no charge. If the customer believes the product to be defective after installation, the customer must promptly notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the product. If, upon inspection, Tarkett determines that the product is defective, Tarkett will replace or repair the defective product at its own cost, subject to the limitations in this warranty, and prorated as follows: Material and 100% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 1); Material and 50% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 2); and Material Only (Years 3-10).

Tarkett warrants that the products will not wear through for the warranty period of ten (10) years of Commercial use. For claims based on wear-through, the customer must notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the flooring. If Tarkett determines that the original flooring is worn through, Tarkett will replace or repair the worn flooring at its own cost; however, labor costs will be the customer's responsibility except as provided on the prorated basis described in the prior paragraph.

### **Section 7: Linoleum Sheet Flooring**

**Limited 10-Year Commercial Warranty for Manufacturing Defects:** Tarkett warrants from the date of purchase for a period of ten (10) years of Commercial use that linoleum sheet flooring products conform to written specifications and are free of manufacturing defects, subject to the terms and conditions specified herein.

The customer must notify Tarkett of any obvious visual defects prior to installation; otherwise this warranty will not apply. If the defect is found and Tarkett is notified in writing prior to installation, Tarkett will replace any defective product, at no charge. If the customer believes the product to be defective after installation, the customer must promptly notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the product. If, upon inspection, Tarkett determines that the product is defective, Tarkett will replace or repair the defective product at its own cost, subject to the limitations in this warranty, and prorated as follows: Material and 100% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 1); Material and 50% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 2); and Material Only (Years 3-10).

Tarkett warrants that the products will not wear through for the warranty period of ten (10) years of Commercial use. For claims based on wear-through, the customer must notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the flooring. If Tarkett determines that the original flooring is worn through, Tarkett will replace or repair the worn flooring at its own cost; however, labor costs will be the customer's responsibility except as provided on the prorated basis described in the prior paragraph.

### **Section 8A: Luxury Tile and Plank**

**Limited 10-Year Commercial Warranty for Manufacturing Defects:** Tarkett warrants from the date of purchase for a period of ten (10) years of Commercial use that luxury tile and plank flooring products conform to written specifications and are free of manufacturing defects, subject to the terms and conditions specified herein.

The customer must notify Tarkett of any obvious visual defects prior to installation; otherwise this warranty will not apply. If the defect is found and Tarkett is notified in writing prior to installation, Tarkett will replace any defective product, at no charge. If the customer believes the product to be defective after installation, the customer must promptly notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the product. If, upon inspection, Tarkett determines that the product is defective, Tarkett will replace or repair the defective product at its own cost, subject to the limitations in this warranty, and prorated as follows: Material and 100% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 1); Material and 50% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 2); and Material Only (Years 3-10).

Tarkett warrants that the products will not wear through for the warranty period of ten (10) years of Commercial use. For claims based on wear-through, the customer must notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the flooring. If Tarkett determines that the original flooring is worn through, Tarkett will replace or repair the worn flooring at its own cost; however, labor costs will be the customer's responsibility except as provided on the prorated basis described in the prior paragraph.

### **Section 8B: Luxury Tile and Plank**

**Limited 20-Year Commercial Warranty for Manufacturing Defects:** Tarkett warrants from the date of purchase for a period of twenty (20) years of Commercial use that luxury tile and plank flooring products conform to written specifications and are free of manufacturing defects, subject to the terms and conditions specified herein.

The customer must notify Tarkett of any obvious visual defects prior to installation; otherwise this warranty will not apply. If the defect is found and Tarkett is notified in writing prior to installation, Tarkett will replace any defective product, at no charge. If the customer believes the product to be defective after installation, the customer must promptly notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the product. If, upon inspection, Tarkett determines that the product is defective, Tarkett will replace or repair the defective product at its own cost, subject to the limitations in this warranty, and prorated as follows: Material and 100% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 1); Material and 50% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 2); Material Only (Years 3-10); 50% Material Only (Years 11-15); and 25% Material Only (Years 16-20).

Tarkett warrants that the products will not wear through for the warranty period of twenty (20) years of Commercial use. For claims based on wear-through, the customer must notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the flooring. If Tarkett determines that the original flooring is worn through, Tarkett will replace or repair the worn flooring at its own cost; however, labor costs will be the customer's responsibility except as provided on the prorated basis described in the prior paragraph.



### **Section 8C: Luxury Tile and Plank**

Limited 25-Year Commercial Warranty for Manufacturing Defects: Tarkett warrants from the date of purchase for a period of twenty five (25) years of Commercial use that luxury tile and plank flooring products conform to written specifications and are free of manufacturing defects, subject to the terms and conditions specified herein.

The customer must notify Tarkett of any obvious visual defects prior to installation; otherwise this warranty will not apply. If the defect is found and Tarkett is notified in writing prior to installation, Tarkett will replace any defective product, at no charge. If the customer believes the product to be defective after installation, the customer must promptly notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the product. If, upon inspection, Tarkett determines that the product is defective, Tarkett will replace or repair the defective product at its own cost, subject to the limitations in this warranty, and prorated as follows: Material and 100% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 1); Material and 50% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 2); Material Only (Years 3-10); 50% Material Only (Years 11-15); and 25% Material Only (Years 16-25).

Tarkett warrants that the products will not wear through for the warranty period of twenty five (25) years of Commercial use. For claims based on wear-through, the customer must notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the flooring. If Tarkett determines that the original flooring is worn through, Tarkett will replace or repair the worn flooring at its own cost; however, labor costs will be the customer's responsibility except as provided on the prorated basis described in the prior paragraph.

### **Section 9: Luxury Tile and Plank (Light Commercial)**

Light Commercial Warranty for Manufacturing Defects: Tarkett warrants from the date of purchase for a period of ten (10) years of Light Commercial use that luxury tile and plank flooring products conform to written specifications and are free of manufacturing defects, subject to the terms and conditions specified herein. Light Commercial applications are defined as foot-traffic only (no rolling loads).

The customer must notify Tarkett of any obvious visual defects prior to installation; otherwise this warranty will not apply. If the defect is found and Tarkett is notified in writing prior to installation, Tarkett will replace any defective product, at no charge. If the customer believes the product to be defective after installation, the customer must promptly notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the product. If, upon inspection, Tarkett determines that the product is defective, Tarkett will replace or repair the defective product at its own cost, subject to the limitations in this warranty, and prorated as follows: Material and 100% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 1); Material and 50% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 2); Material Only (Years 3-5); and 50% Material Only (Years 6-10).

Tarkett warrants that the products will not wear through for the warranty period of ten (10) years of Light Commercial use. For claims based on wear-through, the customer must notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the flooring. If Tarkett determines that the original flooring is worn through, Tarkett will replace or repair the worn flooring at its own cost; however, labor costs will be the customer's responsibility except as provided on the prorated basis described in the prior paragraph.

### **Section 10: Underlayment**

Limited 10-Year Light Commercial Warranty for Manufacturing Defects: Tarkett warrants from the date of purchase for a period of ten (10) years of Light Commercial use of SureStart™ underlayment with approved Tarkett LVT products, subject to subfloors being prepared & meeting Tarkett Installation Instruction guidelines and subject to the terms and conditions specified herein.

The customer must notify Tarkett of any obvious visual defects or concerns prior to install; otherwise this warranty will not apply.

If the defect is found and Tarkett is notified in writing prior to installation, Tarkett will replace any defective product, at no charge. If the customer believes the product to be defective after installation, the customer must promptly notify Tarkett and permit an inspection of the product. If, upon inspection, Tarkett determines that the product is defective, Tarkett will replace or repair the defective product at its own cost, subject to the limitations in this warranty, and prorated as follows: Material and 100% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 1); Material and 50% Reasonable Labor Costs (Year 2); and Material Only (Years 3-10).

### **All Tarkett Commercial Products:**

This Limited Warranty applies only for products installed, used and maintained according to the written recommendations and specifications provided at the time of material purchase.

#### **Warranty Claim Procedure**

To be eligible for replacement under this warranty, the customer must file a claim by giving Tarkett written notice of the defect. This notice must be filed immediately, but in no event more than 10 days following discovery of the defect. Notice shall be given to Tarkett at its corporate address of 30000 Aurora Road, Solon, Ohio 44139.  
Phone: (800) 899-8916; Fax: (440) 543-5774.

If defective product has been discontinued or is otherwise unavailable, Tarkett reserves the right to select and supply the customer with Tarkett replacement flooring, similar in quality and quantity to the material claimed to be defective.

## Warranty Exclusions

The Tarkett Limited Warranty does not apply to:

- The exact matching of shade, color or mottling.
- Tears, burns, cuts or damage due to improper installation or use or improper cleaning agents and maintenance methods.
- Labor costs outside of prorated schedule defined in the warranty.
- Sales of non-first quality materials, i.e., "seconds," "off goods" or other irregular flooring. Such non-first quality materials are sold "AS IS."
- Issues associated with the use of adhesives other than those recommended by Tarkett.
- Issues caused by moisture or alkali in the subfloor. Pre-installation moisture and alkali testing is required and must be made available to Tarkett upon request.
- Issues of discoloration or staining associated with subfloor contamination or markings that bleed through the flooring material.
- Problems caused by installation, uses and maintenance that are contrary to Tarkett's specifications, recommendations or instructions.
- Material installed with obvious defects not notified to Tarkett prior to installation.
- Exterior installations – Tarkett products are designed for interior applications only.
- Fading and/or discoloration resulting from heavy sunlight penetration and ultraviolet ray exposure from direct or glass-filtered sunlight.
- Damage to flooring products caused by high or spiked heels, improper protectors/casters or furniture rests. Some rolling-type casters on furniture or appliances may damage resilient flooring. Warranty as to the suitability of the factory-installed casters rests with the furniture or appliance manufacturers. To avoid Tarkett warranty exclusions, casters must be suitable for use on resilient flooring.
- Damage to flooring products from pallet jack and tow-motor traffic.
- Premature wear or deterioration from spikes and skate blade exposure.
- Variations in color or embossing between products, photography or printed color illustrations.
- Installation of Tarkett flooring in work or commercial areas exposed to oil and grease, such as commercial kitchens or butcher shops. Defiant™ Oil and Grease-Resistant Rubber tiles are recommended in such situations.
- Additional expense associated with overtime, replacing or moving appliances or furniture, business interruptions, loss of use or other related costs associated with the replacement of the flooring.
- Shifting, cracking, or movement of the substrate or foundation.
- Hydrostatic pressure, flooding, standing water or moisture on the surface of the substrate.
- Issues related to exposure to heavy rolling loads (Light Commercial Products).

## Warranty Disclaimer

- EXCEPT AS STATED HEREIN, TARKETT MAKES NO WARRANTIES OF ANY KIND, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED. ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES WHICH MAY ARISE BY LAW, IMPLICATION OF LAW OR APPLICATION OF COURSE OF DEALING, PERFORMANCE OR USAGE OF TRADE INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, ARE EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMED AND EXCLUDED. ANY ORAL STATEMENTS ABOUT THE PRODUCTS DESCRIBED HEREIN ARE NOT WARRANTIES, SHOULD NOT BE RELIED UPON BY BUYER, DO NOT FORM ANY PART OF THE BASIS OF THE BARGAIN, AND ARE NOT PART OF THIS OR ANY OTHER LIMITED WARRANTY. NO AGENT, DISTRIBUTOR OR REPRESENTATIVE OF TARKETT, EXCEPT AN AUTHORIZED OFFICER OF TARKETT, SHALL HAVE AUTHORITY TO AGREE TO ANY TERM, CONDITION OR PROVISION INCONSISTENT HERewith OR NOT CONTAINED HEREIN. IN NO EVENT SHALL TARKETT BE LIABLE TO BUYER FOR INCIDENTAL, SPECIAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, DAMAGES OR LOSS OF PROFIT ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO ANY BREACH OF THIS WARRANTY, REGARDLESS OF THE LEGAL OR EQUITABLE THEORY (CONTRACT, TORT, OR OTHERWISE) UPON WHICH THE CLAIM IS BASED.
- These warranties provide specific legal rights; these and other rights may vary from state to state.



## Modular

## Lifetime Limited Warranty

Modular styles with nylon face fiber are covered by a non-prorated Lifetime Limited Warranty issued by Tarkett against excessive surface wear, edge ravel, zippering, resiliency loss of backing, and delamination of the secondary backing from the primary backing containing the face fiber. Lifetime is defined as the period of time during which the product is owned and maintained by the original end-use purchaser in the original indoor installation location. Tarkett Modular products must be installed in accordance with the appropriate Modular Installation & Floor Preparation Instructions and must be maintained in accordance with Tarkett care and maintenance guidelines. The use of Tarkett primers, adhesives, and seam sealers or approved alternatives is required. Failure to conform to these requirements will result in loss of limited warranty coverage.

Moisture and pH testing requirements and limitations are defined in the Tarkett Modular Installation & Floor Preparation Instructions for each Modular product. Product or installation failure due to moisture or pH levels in excess of the limits set forth in these instructions is specifically excluded from limited warranty coverage.

Chair pads are not required, but are recommended for optimum textural performance. Absent the use of chair pads, more intensive maintenance will be required for areas in direct contact with chair caster traffic, and some degree of appearance change is to be expected.

Soiling visibility is affected by colors and patterns. Information on optimizing your selection can be found at [www.tarkettna.com](http://www.tarkettna.com). **Appearance retention is not covered by this limited warranty.**

Excessive surface wear means more than fifteen percent (15%) loss of pile fiber weight measured before and after use.

Resiliency loss means more than ten percent (10%) loss of backing resiliency calculated using average thickness measurements of the backing of the carpet before and after use. Since resiliency recovery is not immediate and may be influenced by temperature and other conditions, thickness must be measured only after a 72-hour conditioning period.

Modular products also carry a Lifetime Limited Warranty against excessive static electricity only when installed and maintained in accordance with Tarkett approved procedures. Excessive static electricity means more than 3.0 kilovolts at a relative humidity of 20% and a room temperature of 70 degrees Fahrenheit.

If these products fail to perform as described in this limited warranty, the affected area will be repaired to meet the applicable Tarkett limited warranty provisions. If repair is not commercially practical or possible, Tarkett may, at its sole discretion, replace the affected area or refund the original Tarkett invoice cost for the affected area. If repair or replacement is required, Tarkett reserves the right to utilize an independent qualified labor provider or Tarkett Field Technical personnel. Replacement will be made with a product of comparable cost from the current Tarkett running line of products.

This limited warranty does not cover pile shading, pile crushing, tears, burns, cuts, pilling, matting, damage due to improper installation, improper use, improper maintenance, installation over irregular surfaces, point loads in excess of 150 pounds per square inch or any other damage not expressly covered above and is subject to the applicable Tarkett product tolerances, which are available upon request. **This limited warranty does not cover damage resulting from improper installation or maintenance.** Liability of Tarkett is limited to the actual repair or replacement of the affected area and does not cover incidental or consequential damages. Tarkett is not responsible for any expenses incurred for removal of furniture, partitioning, temporary walls or other fixtures on or around the affected area of the carpet.

All Tarkett Limited Warranty and Maintenance Information can be accessed at [www.tarkettna.com](http://www.tarkettna.com) or by dialing 800-248-2878.

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**ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES WHICH MAY ARISE BY LAW, IMPLICATION OF LAW OR APPLICATION OF COURSE OF DEALING OR USAGE OF TRADE INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE ARE EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMED AND EXCLUDED. ANY ORAL STATEMENTS ABOUT THE MERCHANDISE DESCRIBED HEREIN ARE NOT WARRANTIES, SHOULD NOT BE RELIED UPON BY THE BUYER, DO NOT FORM ANY PART OF THE BASIS OF THE BARGAIN, AND ARE NOT PART OF THIS OR ANY OTHER LIMITED WARRANTY. NO AGENT, DISTRIBUTOR OR REPRESENTATIVE OF TARKETT, EXCEPT AN OFFICER OF TARKETT, SHALL HAVE AUTHORITY TO AGREE TO ANY TERM, CONDITION OR PROVISION INCONSISTENT HERewith OR NOT CONTAINED HEREIN.**

Invoice No.	_____	Company Installed	_____
Product(s)	_____	Color	_____
Project Name	_____	Total Square Yards	_____
Project Address	_____		
Specific Areas Surfaced	_____		
Date Installation Began	_____	Date Installation Completed	_____

Sworn to and subscribed before me,

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2019



## Powerbond®

## Lifetime Limited Warranty

Powerbond styles with nylon face fiber are covered by a non-prorated Lifetime Limited Warranty issued by Tarkett against excessive surface wear, edge ravel, zippering, resiliency loss of backing, and delamination of the secondary backing from the primary backing containing the face fiber. Lifetime is defined as the period of time during which the product is owned and maintained by the original end-use purchaser in the original indoor installation location. Tarkett Powerbond products must be installed in accordance with the appropriate Powerbond Installation & Floor Preparation Instructions and must be maintained in accordance with Tarkett care and maintenance guidelines. The use of Tarkett primers, adhesives, and seam sealers or approved alternatives is required. Failure to conform to these requirements will result in loss of limited warranty coverage.

Moisture and pH testing requirements and limitations are defined in the Tarkett Powerbond Installation & Floor Preparation Instructions for each Powerbond product. Product or installation failure due to moisture or pH levels in excess of the limits set forth in these instructions is specifically excluded from limited warranty coverage.

Chair pads are not required, but are recommended for optimum textural performance. Absent the use of chair pads, more intensive maintenance will be required for areas in direct contact with chair caster traffic, and some degree of appearance change is to be expected. More intensive maintenance will also be required for product installed on stairs, and some degree of appearance change is to be expected.

Soiling visibility is affected by colors and patterns. Information on optimizing your selection can be found at [www.tarketta.com](http://www.tarketta.com). **Appearance retention is not covered by this limited warranty.**

Excessive surface wear means more than fifteen percent (15%) loss of pile fiber weight measured before and after use.

Resiliency loss means more than ten percent (10%) loss of backing resiliency calculated using average thickness measurements of the backing of the carpet before and after use. Since resiliency recovery is not immediate and may be influenced by temperature and other conditions, thickness must be measured only after a 72-hour conditioning period.

Powerbond products also carry a Lifetime Limited Warranty against excessive static electricity only when installed and maintained in accordance with Tarkett approved procedures. Excessive static electricity means more than 3.0 kilovolts at a relative humidity of 20% and a room temperature of 70 degrees Fahrenheit.

If these products fail to perform as described in this limited warranty, the affected area will be repaired to meet the applicable Tarkett limited warranty provisions. If repair is not commercially practical or possible, Tarkett may, at its sole discretion, replace the affected area or refund the original Tarkett invoice cost for the affected area. If repair or replacement is required, Tarkett reserves the right to utilize an independent qualified labor provider or Tarkett Field Technical personnel. Replacement will be made with a product of comparable cost from the current Tarkett running line of products.

This limited warranty does not cover pile shading, pile crushing, tears, burns, cuts, pilling, matting, damage due to improper installation, improper use, improper maintenance, installation over irregular surfaces, point loads in excess of 150 pounds per square inch or any other damage not expressly covered above and is subject to the applicable Tarkett product tolerances, which are available upon request. **This limited warranty does not cover damage resulting from improper installation or maintenance.** Liability of Tarkett is limited to the actual repair or replacement of the affected area and does not cover incidental or consequential damages. Tarkett is not responsible for any expenses incurred for removal of furniture, partitioning, temporary walls or other fixtures on or around the affected area of the carpet.

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Invoice No. \_\_\_\_\_ Company Installed \_\_\_\_\_  
Product(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_  
Project Name \_\_\_\_\_ Total Square Yards \_\_\_\_\_  
Project Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Specific Areas Surfaced \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Installation Began \_\_\_\_\_ Date Installation Completed \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to and subscribed before me,

Authorized Signature

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2019



## LifeLong® Acrylic Polymeric Backing Limited Warranty

The information herein explains the terms and conditions of the limited performance warranty which Tarkett extends to initial purchasers and first end users.

### Products Covered

Tarkett will extend a limited performance warranty on all products which are first quality and have been properly installed in accordance with Tarkett published guidelines, maintained in the original indoor installation location, and providing that these and the following specific conditions herein have been met.

**Adhesive and Seam Sealer:** In order to maintain applicable limited warranty validation, Tarkett Greenbond™ B-19 Broadloom Adhesive System must be used to adhere the product directly to the correctly prepared substrate. Additionally, all seams and unfinished edges must be sealed utilizing Tarkett C-XL Seam Sealer. The use of Tarkett Broadloom Adhesive System and Tarkett Broadloom Seam Sealer is required in order to maintain applicable limited warranty validation.

### Who is Covered

Only First Purchasers and First End Users of Tarkett products qualify for this limited warranty. It cannot be transferred to subsequent owners.

### Obligations of First Purchaser and/or First End User

Both the First Purchaser and/or First End User must comply in a timely manner with any reasonable requests from Tarkett to confirm that products have been handled and installed as required to meet the terms and conditions of this warranty.

### Warranty Remedies

If a qualifying Tarkett product fails to perform as warranted, Tarkett may, at its sole discretion, choose any one, or combination of, the following remedies:

1. Repair the affected area(s) at no charge.
2. Replace the affected area with product(s) of comparable color and quality.
3. Issue a full refund based on the original invoice or that portion of original invoice from Tarkett, applicable to the affected area(s).

### Labor Charges for Repair or Replacement

If Tarkett elects to replace product under this warranty, Tarkett will pay for reasonable labor and handling charges<sup>1</sup> associated with the repair or replacement of defective product in the affected area(s), provided that such a claim is registered within 20 years from the date of the original sales invoice.

### Furniture Removal for Repair or Replacement

Tarkett will not be responsible for costs incurred for furniture, equipment, or fixture removal, nor any other costs associated with clearing or reordering of the affected area(s) in conjunction with the repair or replacement of defective product.

### Exclusions from the Warranty

- ❖ Damage caused by negligent or improper storage, handling or transportation.
- ❖ Failure to comply with CRI-104 and Tarkett's installation, adhesive and floor preparation guidelines applicable to the specific type and pattern of product purchased.
- ❖ Damage or deterioration caused by improper site conditions that have not been adequately corrected per CRI-104 recommendations.
- ❖ Normal tolerances that may cause products to vary slightly from approved samples.
- ❖ Inherent characteristics of carpet products which may affect product appearance, but do not affect performance, including, but not limited to, multiple dye lots, textural variations, side matching, roll marks, shedding, matting and crushing, highlighting and shading, watermarking or pooling, sprouting and tuft loss, ridging and rowing.
- ❖ Product installed with visible defects.
- ❖ Product installed without verifying proper color and style by the owner, occupant or designer.
- ❖ Failure to obtain pattern match.
- ❖ Tears, burns, cuts, pulls, or other damage, stain, loss of color or appearance caused either by abuse or inadequate or improper maintenance.
- ❖ Product that has been cleaned with the spin-bonnet rotary brush method.

- ❖ Ripping, buckling, raveling, stretching, and delamination of products installed by the Double Stick or Stretch-In Over Cushion method.
- ❖ Edge ravel where carpet abuts an uncarpeted area without molding or other protection.
- ❖ Product exposed to extreme indoor environmental conditions including, but not limited to laundry, toilet and wet areas, floods, direct sunlight and continuous and unprotected tracking of dirt and soil.
- ❖ Incidental damage caused by other trades, resulting from inadequate protection during construction or renovation.
- ❖ New Carpet Protection - the use of plastic carpet protection products for post installation is not recommended. Tarkett recommends non-staining building material paper and/or Masonite. Tarkett absolves itself of any responsibility for damages or cost incurred by usage of post installation plastic protection products.
- ❖ Product installed on stairs, risers or nosing.

#### **Use of Chair Pads**

Chair pads are not required, but are recommended for optimum textural performance. Absent the use of chair pads, more intensive maintenance will be required, and some degree of appearance change is to be expected.

#### **Limitations of Warranty**

The foregoing is the complete warranty for Tarkett products and supersedes all other warranties and representation, whether written or oral. Except as expressly set forth above, no other warranties are made with respect to Tarkett products and Tarkett expressly disclaims all warranties not stated herein, implied or expressed, including without limitation, any warranty of merchantability or fitness of its products for any particular purpose.

The obligation of Tarkett under this limited warranty is limited solely to the repair, replacement and/or remuneration of purchase price of defective product, in part or whole based on original invoice amount to initial purchaser. In no event will Tarkett be liable to the purchaser, or to any user of Tarkett products, for any damages, expenses, lost revenues, lost savings, lost profits, or any other incidental or consequential damages arising from the purchase, use or inability to use Tarkett products, even if Tarkett has been advised of the possibility of such damages.

<b>Backing</b>	<b>Installation Method</b>	<b>Warranty Coverage</b>	<b>Warranty Duration</b>
LifeLong®	Direct Glue-Down Only	Defects in workmanship, materials and construction, Delamination / Edge Ravel, Loss of more than 10% of surface face fiber	1 year from date of invoice 20 Year Non Prorated Limited Warranty

<sup>1</sup>Reasonable labor and handling charges include standard and accepted local labor and materials handling charges. It shall not include overtime, storage, or any extraordinary cost of materials handling, including those covered under the term "the lift system," cranes, hoists or other such equipment.

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## Tarkett Woven - CrossCushion®

## Limited Warranty

All Tarkett woven products with CrossCushion are covered by a limited warranty issued by Tarkett against abrasive wear, edge ravel, zippering, failure to retain backing resiliency, delamination of the secondary backing from the primary backing containing the face fiber, and excessive static electricity. This limited warranty applies only when properly installed on correctly prepared floors using Tarkett approved procedures and adhesives and maintained in accordance with Tarkett approved maintenance and cleaning procedures. This limited warranty coverage remains in effect only so long as the product is owned and maintained by the original end-use purchaser in the original indoor installation location.

Chair pads are required for this warranty to be in full effect.

Soiling visibility is affected by colors and patterns. Information on optimizing your selection can be found at [www.tarkettna.com](http://www.tarkettna.com). **Appearance retention is not covered by this limited warranty.**

**Adhesive and Seam Sealer:** In order to maintain applicable limited warranty validation, Tarkett Greenbond™ B-19 Broadloom Adhesive System must be used to adhere the product directly to the correctly prepared substrate. Additionally, all seams and unfinished edges must be sealed utilizing Tarkett C-XL Broadloom Seam Sealer. The use of Tarkett Broadloom Adhesive System and Tarkett Broadloom Seam Sealer is required in order to maintain applicable limited warranty validation.

### **ABRASIVE WEAR**

Tarkett warrants that for fifteen (15) years from the date of installation, this carpet, when properly installed and maintained, will not lose more than fifteen percent (15%) of pile fiber weight measured before and after use. This limited warranty does not cover appearance retention, matting, crushing, or normal appearance changes in high traffic areas.

### **EDGE RAVEL**

Tandus warrants that these products will not edge ravel under normal use for the life of the carpet. All seams must be properly sealed in accordance with CRI Installation Standard 104. Tufts or loops pulled from the body of the carpet or edges where seam adhesive has not been applied are not included in this limited warranty coverage.

### **ZIPPERING**

Tarkett warrants that these products will not zipper under normal use for the life of the carpet. All seams must be properly sealed in accordance with CRI Installation Standard 104. For the purposes of this warranty, zippering is defined as a pull or snag that results in a minimum of 3 continuous loops being pulled out of the carpet's backing.

### **BACKING RESILIENCY**

Tarkett warrants that these products will retain backing resiliency for a period of ten (10) years from the date of manufacturer's invoice. Backing resiliency is determined using average thickness measurements of the backing of the carpet before and after use. Since resiliency recovery is not immediate and may be influenced by temperature and other conditions, thickness must be measured only after a 72-hour conditioning period.

### **DELAMINATION**

Tarkett warrants that the secondary backing of these products will not delaminate under normal use for a period of ten (10) years from the date of manufacturer's invoice. Delamination is defined as any separation of the polyurethane pre-coat from the primary carpet backing, the polyurethane pre-coat from the foam laminating layer, or the foam laminating layer from the outer surface, over a single specific area, in any case where the separation exceeds one hundred (100) square inches.

### **STATIC PROTECTION**

Tarkett warrants that these products will not exhibit static electricity in excess of 3.5 kilovolts as measured by AATCC Test Method 134 at a relative humidity of 20% and a room temperature of 70 degrees Fahrenheit for the life of the carpet.

If these products fail to perform as described in this limited warranty, the affected area will be repaired to conform to the limited warranty. The affected area(s) refers to the specific area(s) where failure has occurred and does not include the entire installation. If repair is not commercially practical, Tarkett may, at its option, replace the affected carpet or refund the proportional purchase price for the affected area(s) during the first two (2) years of coverage. During this two (2) year period, Tarkett will pay the costs of the carpet, reasonable freight, and labor. Thereafter, Tarkett will pay only the costs of the carpet and reasonable freight. Tarkett is not responsible for any expenses incurred for removal of furniture, partitioning, temporary walls or other fixtures on or around the affected area of the carpet.

This limited warranty does not cover pile shading, pile crushing, tears, burns, cuts, pilling, matting, damage due to improper installation, improper use, improper maintenance, installation over irregular surfaces, gauge consistency, carpet manufactured on different production dates and joined together to form seams, point loads in excess of 150 pounds per square inch or any other damage not expressly covered



above and is subject to the applicable Tarkett product tolerances, which are available upon request. Carpet installed on stairs or in areas subject to abnormal foot-traffic use (i.e. golf spikes, other spiked footwear, ski boots, and the like) is excluded. **This limited warranty does not cover damage resulting from improper installation or maintenance.**

Carpet must be adhered directly to the substrate utilizing the Tarkett Greenbond™ Adhesive System and remain adhered to the substrate during the duration of the Limited Warranty. Product cannot be installed over existing carpet, cushion (either double glue or stretch in over pad), or Lok-Lift®. Product cannot be loose laid or installed using a pressure sensitive adhesive.

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## Tarkett Woven – Crossweave®

## Limited Warranty

All Tarkett woven products with Crossweave are covered by a limited warranty issued by Tarkett against abrasive wear, edge ravel, zippering and excessive static electricity. This limited warranty applies only when properly installed on correctly prepared floors using Tarkett approved procedures and adhesives and maintained in accordance with Tarkett approved maintenance and cleaning procedures. This limited warranty coverage remains in effect only so long as the product is owned and maintained by the original end-use purchaser in the original installation location.

Chair pads are required for this warranty to be in full effect.

Soiling visibility is affected by colors and patterns. Information on optimizing your selection can be found at [www.tarkettna.com](http://www.tarkettna.com).  
**Appearance retention is not covered by this limited warranty.**

**Adhesive and Seam Sealer:** In order to maintain applicable limited warranty validation, Tarkett Greenbond™ B-19 Broadloom Adhesive System must be used to adhere the product directly to the correctly prepared substrate. Additionally, all seams and unfinished edges must be sealed utilizing Tarkett C-XL Broadloom Seam Sealer. The use of Tarkett Broadloom Adhesive System and Tarkett Broadloom Seam Sealer is required in order to maintain applicable limited warranty validation.

### **ABRASIVE WEAR**

Tarkett warrants that for fifteen (15) years from the date of installation, this carpet, when properly installed and maintained, will not lose more than fifteen percent (15%) of pile fiber weight measured before and after use. This limited warranty does not cover appearance retention, matting, crushing, or normal appearance changes in high traffic areas.

### **EDGE RAVEL**

Tarkett warrants that these products will not edge ravel under normal use for the life of the carpet. All seams must be properly sealed in accordance with CRI Installation Standard 104. Tufts or loops pulled from the body of the carpet or edges where seam adhesive has not been applied are not included in this limited warranty coverage.

### **ZIPPERING**

Tarkett warrants that these products will not zipper under normal use for the life of the carpet. All seams must be properly sealed in accordance with CRI Installation Standard 104. For the purposes of this warranty, zippering is defined as a pull or snag that results in a minimum of 3 continuous loops being pulled out of the carpet's backing.

### **STATIC PROTECTION**

Tarkett warrants that these products will not exhibit static electricity in excess of 3.5 kilovolts as measured by AATCC Test Method 134 at a relative humidity of 20% and a room temperature of 70 degrees Fahrenheit for the life of the carpet.

If these products fail to perform as described in this limited warranty, the affected area will be repaired to conform to the limited warranty. The affected area(s) refers to the specific area(s) where failure has occurred and does not include the entire installation. If repair is not commercially practical, Tarkett may, at its option, replace the affected carpet or refund the proportional purchase price for the affected area(s) during the first two (2) years of coverage. During this two (2) year period, Tarkett will pay the costs of the carpet, reasonable freight, and labor. Thereafter, Tarkett will pay only the costs of the carpet and reasonable freight. Tarkett is not responsible for any expenses incurred for removal of furniture, partitioning, temporary walls or other fixtures on or around the affected area of the carpet.

This limited warranty does not cover pile shading, pile crushing, tears, burns, cuts, pilling, matting, damage due to improper installation, improper use, improper maintenance, installation over irregular surfaces, gauge consistency, carpet manufactured on different production dates and joined together to form seams, point loads in excess of 150 pounds per square inch or any other damage not expressly covered above and is subject to the applicable Tarkett product tolerances, which are available upon request. Carpet installed on stairs or in areas subject to abnormal foot-traffic use (i.e. golf spikes, other spiked footwear, ski boots, and the like) is excluded. **This limited warranty does not cover damage resulting from improper installation or maintenance.**

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## Tarkett Broadloom - ErgoStep®

## Limited Warranty

All Tarkett products with ErgoStep Urethane Cushion are covered by a limited warranty issued by Tarkett against excessive surface wear, edge ravel, failure to retain backing resiliency, delamination of the secondary backing from the primary backing containing the face fiber, and excessive static electricity for a period of ten (10) years from the date of manufacturer's invoice. This limited warranty applies only when properly installed on correctly prepared floors using Tarkett approved procedures and adhesives and maintained in accordance with Tarkett approved maintenance and cleaning procedures. This limited warranty ten (10) year coverage remains in effect only so long as the product is owned and maintained by the original end-use purchaser in the original installation location.

Chair pads are required for this warranty to be in full effect.

Soiling visibility is affected by colors and patterns. Information on optimizing your selection can be found at [www.tarketta.com](http://www.tarketta.com). **Appearance retention is not covered by this limited warranty.**

**Adhesive and Seam Sealer:** In order to maintain applicable limited warranty validation, Tarkett Greenbond™ B-19 Broadloom Adhesive System must be used to adhere the product directly to the correctly prepared substrate. Additionally, all seams and unfinished edges must be sealed utilizing Tarkett C-XL Seam Sealer. The use of Tarkett Broadloom Adhesive System and Tarkett Broadloom Seam Sealer is required in order to maintain applicable limited warranty validation.

### EXCESSIVE SURFACE WEAR

Excessive surface wear means more than fifteen percent (15%) loss of pile fiber weight measured before and after use. This limited warranty does not cover appearance retention, matting, crushing, or normal appearance changes in high traffic areas.

### EDGE RAVEL

Tarkett warrants that these products will not edge ravel under normal use. All seams must be properly sealed in accordance with CRI Installation Standard 104. Tufts or loops pulled from the body of the carpet or edges where seam adhesive has not been applied are not included in this limited warranty coverage.

### BACKING RESILIENCY

Tarkett warrants that these products will retain backing resiliency. Backing resiliency is determined using average thickness measurements of the backing of the carpet before and after use. Since resiliency recovery is not immediate and may be influenced by temperature and other conditions, thickness must be measured only after a 72-hour conditioning period.

### DELAMINATION

Tarkett warrants that the secondary backing of these products will not delaminate under normal use. Delamination is defined as any separation of the polyurethane pre-coat from the primary carpet backing, the polyurethane pre-coat from the foam laminating layer, or the foam laminating layer from the outer surface, over a single specific area, in any case where the separation exceeds one hundred (100) square inches.

### STATIC PROTECTION

Tarkett warrants that these products will not exhibit static electricity in excess of 3.5 kilovolts as measured by AATCC Test Method 134 at a relative humidity of 20% and a room temperature of 70 degrees Fahrenheit.

If these products fail to perform as described in this limited warranty, the affected area will be repaired to conform to the limited warranty. The affected area(s) refers to the specific area(s) where failure has occurred and does not include the entire installation. If repair is not commercially practical, Tarkett may, at its option, replace the affected carpet or refund the proportional purchase price for the affected area(s) during the first two (2) years of coverage. During this two (2) year period, Tarkett will pay the costs of the carpet, reasonable freight, and labor. Thereafter, Tarkett will pay only the costs of the carpet and reasonable freight. Tarkett is not responsible for any expenses incurred for removal of furniture, partitioning, temporary walls or other fixtures on or around the affected area of the carpet.

This limited warranty does not cover pile shading, pile crushing, tears, burns, cuts, pilling, matting, damage due to improper installation, improper use, improper maintenance, installation over irregular surfaces, gauge consistency, carpet manufactured on different production dates and joined together to form seams, point loads in excess of 150 pounds per square inch or any other damage not expressly covered above and is subject to the applicable Tarkett product tolerances, which are available upon request. Carpet installed on stairs or in areas subject to abnormal foot-traffic use (i.e. golf spikes, other spiked footwear, ski boots, and the like) is excluded. **This limited warranty does not cover damage resulting from improper installation or maintenance.**

Carpet must be adhered directly to the substrate utilizing a premium multi-purpose floor adhesive and remain adhered to the substrate during the duration of the Limited Warranty. It cannot be installed over existing carpet, cushion (either double glue or stretch in over pad), or Lok-Lift®. It cannot be loose laid or installed using a pressure sensitive adhesive.

All Tarkett Limited Warranty and Maintenance Information can be accessed at [www.tarketta.com](http://www.tarketta.com) or by dialing 800-248-2878.

**THE BUYER AND/OR END USER IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SUITABILITY OF THE MERCHANDISE SELECTED FOR A PARTICULAR APPLICATION. TARKETT SHALL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT OF ANY PRODUCTS DAMAGED AS A RESULT OF FORCE MAJEURE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO FIRE, FLOOD, OR OTHER CATASTROPHE, ACTS OF GOD, OR ANY CAUSE BEYOND THE CONTROL OF TARKETT.**

**ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES WHICH MAY ARISE BY LAW, IMPLICATION OF LAW OR APPLICATION OF COURSE OF DEALING OR USAGE OF TRADE INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE ARE EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMED AND EXCLUDED. ANY ORAL STATEMENTS ABOUT THE MERCHANDISE DESCRIBED HEREIN ARE NOT WARRANTIES, SHOULD NOT BE RELIED UPON BY THE BUYER, DO NOT FORM ANY PART OF THE BASIS OF THE BARGAIN, AND ARE NOT PART OF THIS OR ANY OTHER LIMITED WARRANTY. NO AGENT, DISTRIBUTOR OR REPRESENTATIVE OF TARKETT, EXCEPT AN OFFICER OF TARKETT, SHALL HAVE AUTHORITY TO AGREE TO ANY TERM, CONDITION OR PROVISION INCONSISTENT HERewith OR NOT CONTAINED HEREIN.**

## **About Tarkett**

Tarkett is a global leader in innovative flooring and sports surface solutions.

With over 130 years of flooring industry experience, 13,000 team members and 36 global manufacturing locations, we sell 1.3 million Sq. Meters of flooring every day in over 100 countries. Globally, Tarkett is ranked as the #3 flooring provider and #1 in Vinyl and Sports solutions.

Serving a wide range of commercial segments - Workplace, Tech and Data Centers, Government, Education, Healthcare, Life Sciences, Senior Living, Hospitality, Retail and Multi-Tenant applications – Tarkett is dedicated to delivering excellence and generating value in innovative and sustainable ways.

Tarkett offers sourcing simplicity and volume leveraging, on a global scale, through the [Tarkett Solution SPECtrum™](#) the broadest, integrated portfolio of products and services in the flooring industry.

## **Carpet**

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### **Modular Carpet Tiles & Planks**

24x24, 18x36, 9x36 sizes PVC Free + Cushion Backed Options [Ethos® Modular Backing with Omni-Coat Technology™](#) PVC Free, Silver C 2C, eliminates pH, RH and MVER testing. [Flex-Aire™ Cushion Modular](#) the only 100% recyclable sustainable cushion in the industry. Acoustic enhancements; Comfort underfoot; Extended Performance; Ergonomic + Cost Saving benefits, e.g., Sit-to-Stand Desking Solution

### **Powerbond®**

A 6'0" W rolled good carpet, standard with an attached, closed-cell cushion and is closed loop recyclable. This patented process fuses our proprietary cushion backing to a carpet face, creating unparalleled performance and design capabilities. Powerbond® has proven performance for over 50 years in extreme heavy traffic areas such as airports, stadiums, educational and healthcare facilities. Provided no free liquids are present, *no moisture vapor emission rate (MVER) or relative humidity (RH) testing is needed, reducing install costs and time.* Powerbond is impermeable to moisture; welded seams create wall-to-wall moisture barrier

### **Broadloom**

Tarkett manufactures award-winning designed broadloom and a reputation for superior quality. Our tufted broadloom epitomizes sophisticated design and work in tandem with all Tarkett soft and hard surface platforms offering solutions for Workplace, Senior Living, Healthcare, Hospitality and Education. Multiple backings support performance, budget and acoustic requirements.

### **Woven**

Tarkett's wovens represent the ultimate in luxury and performance. Drawing on weaving techniques handed down through centuries, our design team's contemporary approach to woven broadloom offers an elegant, high end aesthetic in a vast range of designs and colorways for the fractional luxury component in any commercial environment.

## Resilient

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### Rubber Flooring

Tarkett rubber flooring offers the largest collection of colors, patterns and textures in the industry. Naturally slip resistant, shock absorbing and underfoot comfort, Tarkett Rubber flooring is perfect for environments that require high performance, durability and acoustic enhancement. Tarkett Rubber has endless custom capabilities, perfect for branding and way finding.

### Luxury Vinyl Tiles & Planks (LVT)

Tarkett LVT offers a wide range of sizes, shapes, textures and patterns designed to withstand heavy traffic, with extra resistance to scuffs, scratches and stains. Our patented [Techtonic™](#) advanced polyurethane technology is a massive shift forward in performance for hard surface floors, coupled with a matte finish which adds beauty, depth and dimension for safe and beautiful floors. [Adaptt LVT with SureSet™](#) technology is designed to drastically reduce the time and expense of your next floor installation. A unique sculpted wave backing system allows air and moisture in the subfloor to breathe.

Pressure-sensitive adhesive is pre-applied in the factory, so no glue is required on site. Tiles and planks stay in place, yet can also be repositioned when necessary, making installation quick, easy and flexible.

### Vinyl Sheet and Tile

Tarkett Vinyl flooring combines a broad portfolio of patterns and colorways with high performance for schools, hospitals and other high traffic areas. From heterogeneous sheet composed of several layers, including a printed sheet for limitless design possibilities, to homogeneous sheet and tile with a through pattern, Tarkett's portfolio is high performing and low emitting, contributing to a safe and healthy indoor environment.

### Linoleum

One of the most natural and sustainable flooring solutions on the market, Tarkett linoleum has been appreciated for its natural beauty, comfort and durability for over 150 years. Our linoleum is made from 94% natural raw materials (linseed oil, wood and cork flour, and resins) and is treated with our unique  $\text{xf}^2$  surface protection for durability, easy cleaning and cost-effective maintenance. Tarkett linoleum is the world's first to be certified Cradle to Cradle.

### Composition Tile | VCT, VET, SVT

Tarkett uniquely offers three tiers of Vinyl Composite Tile: VCT, VET and SVT. Composition tiles provide economic value and a multitude of patterns, colorways and quality options to optimize performance across a number of high traffic installation areas. From the original vinyl composition tile (VCT), to vinyl enhanced tile (VET) and solid vinyl tile (SVT), composite tiles are budget friendly and withstand heavy foot and rolling traffic. US-made and low-emitting, composite tile contribute to the safety and health of every space.

### Static Dissipative Vinyl Sheet and Tile

Tarkett is a global leader in static dissipative and static conductive flooring solutions engineered to keep sensitive environments such as computer rooms, data centers, laboratories, clean rooms and ESD-sensitive areas in hospitals and the electronics and equipment they house safe. Our SDT solutions cover a range of product categories designed to coordinate with colorways and products within the Tarkett Solution SPECtrum™

### Sports | Multi Function Flooring

From multi-use gym flooring to competitive basketball courts and yoga studios, sports surfaces need to be adapted to different activities and levels of competition. With every sports flooring solution, we provide the knowledge and expertise to make each project a success.

### Specialty Applications

There are often special spaces within a commercial environment that need unique flooring solutions to optimize performance or contribute to safety. Tarkett offers solutions for Acoustics | Enhanced slip resistance | Resistance to oil and grease | Electrical resistance and static dissipation | Safe egress | Tarkett's portfolio of specialty flooring coordinates with all Tarkett products.

## Accessories

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### Wall Base

That detail between the wall and the floor that brings the whole space together. Our portfolio of options is the strongest in the industry. Tarkett offers more profiles, colors and finishes to compliment your interior space than any other flooring manufacturer. Our wall base product lines are designed to perform, contribute to safety and reduce install schedules. If an architectural/wood detail is desired Tarkett [Millwork®](#) is a perfect solution, eliminating variable fabrication costs and assuring reduced maintenance costs. [Millwork® Masquerade](#) offers endless custom capabilities to match finishes or unique, branded design.

### Stairwell Management

Proper stairwell management minimizes risk by balancing safety and performance, leading to a measurable long-term return. Our integrated stairwell management system includes rubber and vinyl treads, nosing and accessories that enhance the flow of a space, allowing people to move safely and comfortably. Available in a broad array of profiles, textures, patterns and colors to compliment interior finishes and architectural details.

### Finishing Accessories

In high-performance environments, every element works together to create synergy. Interior designs must meet the recommendations of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). To help, we offer an entire family of finishing accessories that will comply with regulations while complementing the existing finish elements.

### Installations Accessories

From [Tarkett TAPE™](#) for floating, configurable modular carpet installations to [RollSmart™](#), an easy-to-apply LVT adhesive that facilitates faster installation, we measure the total cost of installation and ownership and to improve productivity and reduce cost

[Ethos® Modular Carpet with Omniccoat Technology™ and Tarkett Tape System](#) –eliminates pH, RH and MVER testing| Installs over green and chemically abated concrete as well as surface curing additives |Skim coating and priming over pre-existing adhesives is also eliminated.

[SureStart™](#) offer an install solution that mitigates moisture and acoustic concerns all in one product. SureStart's industry leading product specifications deliver added acoustical comfort with an overall sound IIC reverberation reduction rating of 20 and floor to floor IIC of 66, surpassing many other underlayment products on the market. Surestart provides a unique moisture impermeable barrier, stopping moisture & water vapor from passing through the underlayment to the finished flooring. It can be installed over concrete with an RH (relative humidity) of 90%.

Please see [Carpet/Soft Surface Adhesives](#) for additional information



## Services

### Sourcing Simplicity

Turnkey Installation [SourceOne®](#) Services | Diversity Supplier Resource | Single Point of Contact | Global Manufacturing, Product Offering, Salesforce and Support

### Design Renderings

Let our [Designer on Demand™](#) team do the work. Simply submit your project with your local Account Executive and our designers will create beautiful renderings you can proudly share with anyone who needs to see what the final end result will look like. Simply submit the following:

Room images or photos along with palette and product specs | Floorplans with Palette and Product Specs | Select a Virtual View Room Type and send us your palette and specs | 3D files and we'll create a virtual room scene

### Value in Product and Pricing

Volume Pricing Leverage | Best I Class Quality + Warranties | Business Metrics Reporting | Case Studies

### Speed to Market

Quick Ship Products: 10 Business Day Program Delivery | Standard Product 6-8 weeks

### Corporate & Social Responsibility

Like Stantec, Tarkett is participant in the [UN Global Compact](#), the world's largest global corporate sustainability initiative. A signatory since 2010, [Tarkett's Annual Communication on Progress](#) is a key component of our commitment to the UN Global Compact. Please also see the Tarkett [2019 Corporate Social Responsibility Report](#)

Tarkett products also contribute to LEED Certification and WELL Building Feature with over 30 Cradle-to-Cradle® certified collections, over 800 SKUs, and a vast range of Third Party and segment specific Certifications. Tarkett Sustainability information can be viewed at [Ecomedes](#).

Through [ReStart®](#) we reclaim and recycle post-consumer vinyl-backed and PVB - backed carpet, LVT flooring, installation waste, samples and portfolios. Tarkett has been recycling flooring since 1954 and was the first in the industry to lead the way. In North America alone, Tarkett has recycled over 308 million lbs. of carpet in our SCS certified Environmental Center in Dalton, GA.



**24**  
R&D  
laboratories  
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research &  
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**36**  
industrial sites  
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**7**  
recycling centers

#### TARKETT WORLDWIDE



**€2.8 billion**  
2018 net sales

**13,000**  
employees

**No. 1**  
in vinyl worldwide





# Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give Form to the  
requester. Do not  
send to the IRS.

► Go to [www.irs.gov/FormW9](http://www.irs.gov/FormW9) for instructions and the latest information.

Print or type.  
See Specific Instructions on page 3.

1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.

**TARKETT USA INC.**

2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above

3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only **one** of the following seven boxes.

☐ Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC ☒ C Corporation ☐ S Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Trust/estate

☐ Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ►

**Note:** Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do not check LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LLC is another LLC that is **not** disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.

☐ Other (see instructions) ►

4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):

Exempt payee code (if any) **5**

Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any)

(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)

5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions.

**30000 AURORA ROAD**

6 City, state, and ZIP code

**OLON, OH 44139**

7 List account number(s) here (optional)

Requester's name and address (optional)

## Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

**Note:** If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number

- -

or

Employer identification number

6 3 - 1 1 8 5 5 7 5

## Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

**Certification instructions.** You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign  
Here

Signature of  
U.S. person ►



Date ► **1/27/2020**

## General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

**Future developments.** For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to [www.irs.gov/FormW9](http://www.irs.gov/FormW9).

## Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, later.