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# SEALED BID REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

# Standby Generator Installation

ISSUE DATE October 3, 2024

QUESTIONS DUE October 17, 2024 – 4:30 PM (EDT)
RFP RESPONSES DUE BY October 31, 2024 – 4:30 PM (EDT)

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT ALL NOTIFICATIONS, RELEASES, AND ADDENDUMS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS RFP WILL BE POSTED AT:

http://www.bgs.state.vt.us/pca/bids/bids.php

THE STATE WILL MAKE NO ATTEMPT TO CONTACT INTERESTED PARTIES WITH UPDATED INFORMATION. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH BIDDER TO PERIODICALLY CHECK THE ABOVE WEBPAGEFOR ANY AND ALL NOTIFICATIONS, RELEASES AND ADDENDUMS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS RFP.

STATE CONTACT: Kyle Emerson, State Purchasing Agent

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USE SUBJECT: STANDBY GENERATOR INSTALLATION

#### 1. OVERVIEW:

- 1.1. **SCOPE AND BACKGROUND:** Through this Request for Proposal (RFP) the Office of Purchasing and Contracting, on behalf of the Department of Public Safety and Radio Technology Services (hereinafter the "State"), is seeking to establish contracts with one or more companies that can provide installation of generators at remote locations.
- 1.2. **CONTRACT PERIOD:** Contracts arising from this RFP will be for a period of 1 year. The State anticipates the start date for such contract(s) will be January 1, 2025
- 1.3. SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT: All communications concerning this RFP are to be addressed in writing to the State Contact listed on the front page of this RFP. Actual or attempted contact with any other individual from the State concerning this RFP is strictly prohibited and may result in disqualification.
- 1.4. BIDDERS' CONFERENCE: A bidders' conference will not be held.
- 1.5. QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD: Any bidder requiring clarification of any section of this RFP or wishing to comment on any requirement of the RFP must submit specific questions in writing no later than the deadline for question indicated on the first page of this RFP. Questions may be e-mailed to the point of contact on the front page of this RFP. Questions or comments not raised in writing on or before the last day of the question period are thereafter waived. At the close of the question period a copy of all questions or comments and the State's responses will be posted on the State's web site <a href="http://www.bgs.state.vt.us/pca/bids/bids.php">http://www.bgs.state.vt.us/pca/bids/bids.php</a>. Every effort will be made to post this information as soon as possible after the question period ends, contingent on the number and complexity of the questions. All information provided by vendors during this process will be public and bidders shall not provide confidential information, except as described in 4.1 below.
- 1.6. CHANGES TO THIS RFP: Any modifications to this RFP will be made in writing by the State through the issuance of an Addendum to this RFP and posted online at <a href="http://www.bgs.state.vt.us/pca/bids/bids.php">http://www.bgs.state.vt.us/pca/bids/bids.php</a>. Modifications from any other source are not to be considered.
- 1.7. SOURCE OF FUNDS: This project is being funded in whole or in part using federal monies. If a bidder requires assistance in preparing their proposal, registering with SAM.gov or needs guidance on socioeconomic certifications, the bidder may contact the Agency of Commerce & Community Development (ACCD), Department of Economic Development (DED), APEX Accelerator. The Vermont APEX Accelerator (formerly the Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC)) specializes in helping small businesses navigate the documentation associated with State and Federal procurement. There is no cost to the Contractor for assistance provided by APEX Accelerator. Their website is: https://accd.vermont.gov/economic-development/programs/ptac

#### 2. DETAILED REQUIREMENTS/DESIRED OUTCOMES:

#### 2.1. BACKGROUND

2.1.1.Radio Technology Services (RTS) is an operational unit of the Vermont Department of Public Safety (DPS) and provides voice and data communication services to governmental entities in the State of Vermont. Those services include: radio frequency engineering, system engineering, communication site management, Public Safety Answering Point design, regulatory compliance, operational and technical support, as well as, related hardware and software maintenance services.

DPS maintains land mobile radio (LMR) networks for public safety in Vermont. These networks rely on electric utility power for operation. DPS required standby generators to maintain power at these sites in case the utility power is disrupted.

#### 2.2. BUILD AMERICA BUY AMERICA ACT

2.2.1.DPS is the recipient of a grant from the US Department of Justice through the Community Oriented Policing Technology program. This grant requires compliance with BABAA Build America Buy America Act. BABAA, among other things, requires all iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials permanently installed on federally assisted infrastructure projects to be produced in the United States. More information is listed in the attached document. Selected vendors will be required to certify compliance. Waivers are possible; should a bidder request a waiver they should clearly request this in the proposal.

2.2.2.Build America Buy America certification or waiver is not required to be submitted with a bid in order for the bid to be valid. Once a bidder is selected for award, then certification will be required prior to a contract being executed.

#### 2.3. SCOPE OF WORK

- 2.3.1.Contractor must install nine (9) generators standby generators inside shelters at remote tower site locations. This includes seven 15 kW propane generators and two 7 kW generators, one gasoline one diesel. There are existing operating generators at these locations. This service includes these requirements:
  - 2.3.1.1. Delivery to the site
  - 2.3.1.2. Deinstallation of the existing generator
  - 2.3.1.3. Physical mounting of new generator in place of the old generator
  - 2.3.1.4. Routing the exhaust
  - 2.3.1.5. Routing the fuel supply line
  - 2.3.1.6. Connecting the generator to the electrical plant
  - 2.3.1.7. Delivery of the old generator to the DPS site
- 2.3.2.Contractor must collect the new generators from the DPS site and deliver them to the remote sites. DPS will escort the Contractor to the DPS tower site. Contractor is responsible for moving everything necessary for the project to the remote site. Contractor must deinstall the old generator, install the new one in its place, then remove the old generator and all associated refuse.
- 2.3.3.Two sites, Killington and Mansfield, are not road accessible, and as such the requirements for these sites differ in two ways. First, the Contractor is not required to transport the generators to these sites; DPS will transport the new generators. Second, the Contractor is not required to remove the existing generators; DPS will keep them on site for backup purposes. The Contractor must disconnect the existing generators, then install and connect the new generators at these sites, as at the other sites.

#### 2.3.4.Site List:

SiteName	PRIMARYADDRESS	TOWNNAME	GPSX	GPSY	Item
Bellevue	235 VALLEY WATCH RD	SAINT ALBANS TOWN	-73.05	44.8	Propane
Brownington	2146 HINMAN SETTLER RD	BROWNINGTON	-72.16	44.84	Propane
Killington	4561 KILLINGTON RD	KILLINGTON	-72.82	43.6	Gasoline
Mansfield	4410 TOLL RD	STOWE	-72.82	44.53	Diesel
Millstone	55 MCLEOD HILL RD	BARRE TOWN	-72.48	44.16	Propane
Pierson Hill	107 BEN DEXTER RD	TOPSHAM	-72.27	44.12	Propane
Russ Hill	432 FALCON RIDGE LN	ROYALTON	-72.55	43.86	Propane
Snow	266 SUMMIT WORK RD	SOMERSET	-72.92	42.96	Propane
Streeter Hill	39 Tower Rd	West Chesterfield, NH	-72.5	42.92	Propane

2.3.5. The seven (7) new propane generators must be collected from the DPS RTS shop, the seven (7) old generators must be delivered to this same location. DPS will deliver the gasoline and diesel generators (Killington and Mansfield), and the old generators will remain at those sites.:

Vermont Department of Public Safety Radio Technology Services 409 US Route 2 Middlesex, VT 05671

#### 2.3.6.Timetable

2.3.6.1. The federal grant requires completion of the project by the end of 2025. The nine generators will be acquired in a separate RFP with delivery for the spring of 2025. Installation should be planned for the summer of 2025 when the roads are accessible. The bidder should specify the timeframe from project kickoff to completion for the following milestone:

Item	Duration start to finish
Install nine (9) generators in the field.	X weeks

#### 3. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

- 3.1. **PRICING:** Bidders must price the terms of this solicitation at their best pricing. Any and all costs that Bidder wishes the State to consider must be submitted for consideration. If applicable, all equipment pricing is to include F.O.B. delivery to the ordering facility. No request for extra delivery cost will be honored. All equipment shall be delivered assembled, serviced, and ready for immediate use, unless otherwise requested by the State.
  - 3.1.1.Prices and/or rates shall remain firm for the initial term of the contract. The pricing policy submitted by Bidder must (i) be clearly structured, accountable, and auditable and (ii) cover the full spectrum of materials and/or services required.
  - 3.1.2. **Cooperative Agreements**. Bidders that have been awarded similar contracts through a competitive bidding process with another state and/or cooperative are welcome to submit the pricing in response to this solicitation.
- 3.2. **STATEMENT OF RIGHTS:** The State shall have the authority to evaluate Responses and select the Bidder(s) as may be determined to be in the best interest of the State and consistent with the goals and performance requirements outlined in this RFP. The State of Vermont reserves the right to obtain clarification or additional information necessary to properly evaluate a proposal. Failure of bidder to respond to a request for additional information or clarification could result in rejection of that bidder's proposal. To secure a project that is deemed to be in the best interest of the State, the State reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids, in whole or in part, with or without cause, and to waive technicalities in submissions. The State also reserves the right to make purchases outside of the awarded contracts where it is deemed in the best interest of the State.
  - 3.2.1.**Best and Final Offer (BAFO).** At any time after submission of Responses and prior to the final selection of Bidder(s) for Contract negotiation or execution, the State may invite Bidder(s) to provide a BAFO. The state reserves the right to request BAFOs from only those Bidders that meet the minimum qualification requirements and/or have not been eliminated from consideration during the evaluation process.
  - 3.2.2. **Presentation.** An in-person or webinar presentation by the Bidder may be required by the State if it will help the State's evaluation process. The State will factor information presented during presentations into the evaluation. Bidders will be responsible for all costs associated with providing the presentation.
- 3.3. **WORKER CLASSIFICATION COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS**: In accordance with Section 32 of The Vermont Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Act No. 54), Bidders must comply with the following provisions and requirements.
  - 3.3.1. <u>Self Reporting</u>: For bid amounts exceeding \$250,000.00, Bidder shall complete the appropriate section in the attached Certificate of Compliance for purposes of self-reporting information relating to past violations, convictions, suspensions, and any other information related to past performance relative to coding and classification of workers. The State is requiring information on any violations that occurred in the previous 12 months.
  - 3.3.2. <u>Subcontractor Reporting</u>: For bid amounts exceeding \$250,000.00, Bidders are hereby notified that upon award of contract, and prior to contract execution, the State shall be provided with a list of all proposed subcontractors and subcontractors' subcontractors, together with the identity of those

subcontractors' workers compensation insurance providers, and additional required or requested information, as applicable, in accordance with Section 32 of The Vermont Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Act No. 54). This requirement does not apply to subcontractors providing supplies only and no labor to the overall contract or project. This list MUST be updated and provided to the State as additional subcontractors are hired. A sample form is available online at http://bgs.vermont.gov/purchasing-contracting/forms. The subcontractor reporting form is not required to be submitted with the bid response.

3.4. EXECUTIVE ORDER 05-16: CLIMATE CHANGE CONSIDERATIONS IN STATE PROCUREMENTS:

For bid amounts exceeding \$25,000.00 Bidders are requested to complete the Climate Change Considerations in State Procurements Certification, which is included in the Certificate of Compliance for this RFP.

After consideration of all relevant factors, a bidder that demonstrates business practices that promote clean energy and address climate change as identified in the Certification, shall be given favorable consideration in the competitive bidding process. Such favorable consideration shall be consistent with and not supersede any preference given to resident bidders of the State and/or products raised or manufactured in the State, as explained in the Method of Award section. But, such favorable consideration shall not be employed if prohibited by law or other relevant authority or agreement.

- 3.5. METHOD OF AWARD: Awards will be made in the best interest of the State. The State may award one or more contracts and reserves the right to make additional awards to other compliant bidders at any time if such award is deemed to be in the best interest of the State. All other considerations being equal, preference will be given first to resident bidders of the state and/or to products raised or manufactured in the state, and then to bidders who have practices that promote clean energy and address climate change, as identified in the applicable Certificate of Compliance.
  - 3.5.1. **Evaluation Criteria:** The responses shall be evaluated based on the following:
    - 3.5.1.1. Price of the proposal
    - 3.5.1.2. Proposed work schedule
    - 3.5.1.3. Experience, knowledge, and presentation of the proposal
- 3.6. CONTRACT NEGOTIATION: Upon completion of the evaluation process, the State may select one or more bidders with which to negotiate a contract, based on the evaluation findings and other criteria deemed relevant for ensuring that the decision made is in the best interest of the State. In the event State is not successful in negotiating a contract with a selected bidder, the State reserves the option of negotiating with another bidder, or to end the proposal process entirely.
- 3.7. **COST OF PREPARATION:** Bidder shall be solely responsible for all expenses incurred in the preparation of a response to this RFP and shall be responsible for all expenses associated with any presentations or demonstrations associated with this request and/or any proposals made.
- 3.8. **CONTRACT TERMS:** The selected bidder(s) will be expected to sign a contract with the State, including the Standard Contract Form and Attachment C as attached to this RFP for reference. If IT Attachment D is included in this RFP, terms may be modified based upon the solution proposed by the Bidder, subject to approval by the Agency of Digital Services.
  - 3.8.1. **Business Registration.** To be awarded a contract by the State of Vermont a bidder (except an individual doing business in his/her own name) must be registered with the Vermont Secretary of State's office <a href="https://sos.vermont.gov/corporations/registration/">https://sos.vermont.gov/corporations/registration/</a> and must obtain a Contractor's Business Account Number issued by the Vermont Department of Taxes <a href="https://tax.vermont.gov/">https://tax.vermont.gov/</a>.
  - 3.8.2.The contract will obligate the bidder to provide the services and/or products identified in its bid, at the prices listed.
  - 3.8.3.**Payment Terms.** Percentage discounts may be offered for prompt payments of invoices; however, such discounts must be in effect for a period of 30 days or more in order to be considered in making awards.

- 3.8.4.**Retainage.** In the discretion of the State, a contract resulting from this RFP may provide that the State withhold a percentage of the total amount payable for some or all deliverables, such retainage to be payable upon satisfactory completion and State acceptance in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract.
- 3.8.5. Quality. If applicable, all products provided under a contract with the State will be new and unused, unless otherwise stated. Factory seconds or remanufactured products will not be accepted unless specifically requested by the purchasing agency. All products provided by the contractor must meet all federal, state, and local standards for quality and safety requirements. Products not meeting these standards will be deemed unacceptable and returned to the contractor for credit at no charge to the State.
- 4. **CONTENT AND FORMAT OF RESPONSES:** The content and format requirements listed below are the minimum requirements for State evaluation. These requirements are not intended to limit the content of a Bidder's proposal. Bidders may include additional information or offer alternative solutions for the State's consideration. However, the State discourages overly lengthy and costly proposals, and Bidders are advised to include only such information in their response as may be relevant to the requirements of this solicitation.
  - 4.1. <u>Unsolicited Bidder-Confidential Information Prohibited.</u> Bidders are hereby expressly directed not to include any confidential information in their proposal submissions, except as specifically permitted below, and so marked. By submitting a proposal in response to this RFP, bidders acknowledge and agree to abide by the terms and conditions outlined in this document, including the prohibition on submitting confidential information. This prohibition reduces the burden on the State while preventing bidder-confidential information from entering the public record.
    - 4.1.1. Disclosure under Public Records Act. All information received by the State in response to this RFP will become part of the contract file and subject to Vermont public records law. Responses by any bidder may become available to the public once a contract has been executed or otherwise following conclusion of this procurement process, in accordance with the State's Public Records Act, 1 V.S.A. § 315 et seq., or the State may choose to publicly post them.
    - 4.1.2. <u>Unsolicited Confidential Materials.</u> This RFP does not solicit bidder confidential information and bidders are expressly prohibited from providing confidential information in response to this RFP. All materials furnished by bidders in response to this RFP, including those marked as confidential by bidders, are subject to disclosure if requested under the Public Records Act, or public posting.
    - 4.1.3. <u>State Not Responsible for Disclosure of Unmarked Bidder-Confidential Information.</u> It is the sole responsibility of the bidder to ensure that, other than where specifically directed or permitted by this RFP and accordingly marked as described below, no information that should not be publicly disclosed is included in their proposal materials, including any 1) trade secrets or intellectual property, 2) proprietary financial or business information, 3) personal information, or 4) any other information that should not be disclosed to the public. For example, bidders should avoid including specific details of their proprietary technologies or methodologies that they consider confidential, and any references to previous client engagements should be presented in a manner that does not disclose the client's confidential information.
  - 4.2. The bid should include a Cover Letter and Technical Response and Price Schedule.

#### 4.3. **COVER LETTER:**

- 4.3.1. Exceptions to Contract Terms and Conditions. If a Bidder wishes to propose an exception to any terms and conditions set forth in the Standard Contract Form and its attachments, such exceptions must be included in the cover letter to the RFP response. Failure to note exceptions when responding to the RFP will be deemed to be acceptance of the State contract terms and conditions. If exceptions are not noted in the response to this RFP but raised during contract negotiations, the State reserves the right to cancel the negotiation if deemed to be in the best interests of the State. Note that exceptions to contract terms may cause rejection of the proposal, and that the State's non-rejection of a proposal on this basis does not indicate acceptance of the exceptions.
- 4.4. **TECHNICAL RESPONSE.** In response to this RFP, a Bidder shall:
  - 4.4.1. Provide details concerning your form of business organization, company size and resources.
  - 4.4.2.Describe your capabilities and particular experience relevant to the RFP requirements.

- 4.4.2.1. Identify all current or past State projects.
- 4.4.3.Identify the names of all subcontractors you intend to use, the portions of the work the subcontractors will perform, and address the background and experience of the subcontractor(s), as per RFP section 4.3.2 above.
- 4.5. **REFERENCES.** Provide the names, addresses, and phone numbers of at least three companies with whom you have transacted similar business in the last 12 months. You must include contact names who can talk knowledgeably about performance.
- 4.6. **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:** Provide a sample of any reporting documentation that may be applicable to the Detailed Requirements of this RFP.
- 4.7. **PRICE SCHEDULE:** Bidders shall submit their pricing information in the Price Schedule attached to the RFP.
- 4.8. **CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE:** This form must be completed and submitted as part of the response for the proposal to be considered valid.

#### 5. **SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 5.1. **CLOSING DATE:** Bids must be received by the State by the due date specified on the front page of this RFP. Late bids will not be considered.
  - 5.1.1.The State may, for cause, issue an addendum to change the date and/or time when bids are due. If a change is made, the State will inform all bidders by posting at the webpage indicated on the front page of this RFP.
  - 5.1.2. There will not be a public bid opening. However, the State will record the name, city and state for any and all bids received by the due date.
- 5.2. STATE SECURITY PROCEDURES: Please be advised extra time will be needed when visiting and/or delivering information to State of Vermont offices. All individuals visiting State offices must present a valid government issued photo ID when entering the facility.
  - 5.2.1. State office buildings may be locked or otherwise closed to the public. If this RFP permits hand delivery of bids, delivery instructions will be posted at the entrance to the State facility. **Any delay caused by State Security Procedures will be at the bidder's own risk.**

#### 5.3. BID DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS:

- 5.3.1.ELECTRONIC: Electronic bids will be accepted.
  - 5.3.1.1. E-MAIL BIDS. Emailed bids will be accepted. Bids will be accepted via email submission to <u>SOV.ThePathForward@vermont.gov</u>. Bids must consist of a single email with a single, digitally searchable PDF attachment containing all components of the bid. Multiple emails and/or multiple attachments will not be accepted. There is an attachment size limit of 40 MB (40,960KB). It is the Bidder's responsibility to compress the PDF file containing its bid if necessary in order to meet this size limitation. It is also the Bidder's responsibility to ensure that their own email system can send and receive messages up to this size. <u>USE SUBJECT: STANDBY GENERATOR INSTALLATION</u>
  - 5.3.1.2. FAX BIDS: Faxed bids will not be accepted.

#### 5.4. U.S. MAIL OR EXPRESS DELIVERY OR HAND DELIVERY:

5.4.1.All paper format bids must be addressed to the State of Vermont, Office of Purchasing & Contracting, 133 State Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Montpelier, VT 05633-8000. BID ENVELOPES MUST BE CLEARLY MARKED 'SEALED BID' AND SHOW THE REQUISITION NUMBER AND/OR PROPOSAL TITLE, OPENING DATE AND NAME OF BIDDER.

#### 5.4.2.NUMBER OF COPIES:

5.4.3. For bids submitted via mail, express, or in-hand, submit a single copy.

#### 5.4.4. Paper Format Delivery Methods:

- 5.4.4.1. U.S. MAIL: Bidders are cautioned that it is their responsibility to originate the mailing of bids in sufficient time to ensure bids are received and time stamped by the Office of Purchasing & Contracting prior to the time of the bid opening.
- **5.4.4.2.** EXPRESS DELIVERY: If bids are being sent via an express delivery service, be certain that the RFP designation is clearly shown on the outside of the delivery envelope or box. Express delivery packages will not be considered received by the State until the express delivery package has been received and time stamped by the Office of Purchasing & Contracting.
- 5.4.4.3. HAND DELIVERY: Hand carried bids shall be delivered to a representative of the Office of Purchasing & Contracting prior to the bid opening. A Security Officer is at 133 until 4:30PM which is the normal hours. A bid submitted by Hand Delivery will not be accepted after 4:30 PM.

#### 6. BID SUBMISSION CHECKLIST:

- ✓ Required Number of Copies
- ✓ Cover Letter
- ✓ Technical Response
- ✓ Redacted Technical Response, if applicable
- ✓ References
- ✓ Price Schedule
- ✓ Signed Certificate of Compliance

#### 7. ATTACHMENTS:

- 7.1. Certificate of Compliance
- 7.2. Price Schedule
- 7.3. Worker Classification Compliance Requirement; Subcontractor Reporting Form
- 7.4. Build America, Buy America Act (BABAA)
- 7.5. Standard State Contract with its associated attachments, including but not limited to, Attachment C: Standard State Provisions for Contracts and Grants (October 1, 2024)
- 7.6. State of Vermont Federal Terms Supplement Non-Construction (May 24, 2024)

#### **CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE**

For a bid to be considered valid, this form must be completed in its entirety, executed by a duly authorized representative of the bidder, and submitted as part of the response to the proposal.

- A. **NON COLLUSION:** Bidder hereby certifies that the prices quoted have been arrived at without collusion and that no prior information concerning these prices has been received from or given to a competitive company. If there is sufficient evidence to warrant investigation of the bid/contract process by the Office of the Attorney General, bidder understands that this paragraph might be used as a basis for litigation.
- B. **CONTRACT TERMS:** Bidder hereby acknowledges that is has read, understands and agrees to the terms of this RFP, including Attachment C: Standard State Contract Provisions, and any other contract attachments included with this RFP.
- C. WORKER CLASSIFICATION COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENT: In accordance with Section 32 of The Vermont Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Act No. 54), the following provisions and requirements apply to Bidder when the amount of its bid exceeds \$250,000.00.

**Self-Reporting.** Bidder hereby self-reports the following information relating to past violations, convictions, suspensions, and any other information related to past performance relative to coding and classification of workers, that occurred in the previous 12 months.

Summary of Detailed Information	Date of Notification	Outcome

**Subcontractor Reporting.** Bidder hereby acknowledges and agrees that if it is a successful bidder, prior to execution of any contract resulting from this RFP, Bidder will provide to the State a list of all proposed subcontractors and subcontractors' subcontractors, together with the identity of those subcontractors' workers compensation insurance providers, and additional required or requested information, as applicable, in accordance with Section 32 of The Vermont Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Act No. 54), and Bidder will provide any update of such list to the State as additional subcontractors are hired. Bidder further acknowledges and agrees that the failure to submit subcontractor reporting in accordance with Section 32 of The Vermont Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Act No. 54) will constitute non-compliance and may result in cancellation of contract and/or restriction from bidding on future state contracts.

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D. Executive Order 05 – 16: Climate Change Considerations in State Procurements Certification

Bidder certifies to the following (Bidder may attach any desired explanation or substantiation. Please also note that Bidder may be asked to provide documentation for any applicable claims): 1. Bidder owns, leases or utilizes, for business purposes, space that has received: ■ Energy Star® Certification ☐ LEED®, Green Globes®, or Living Buildings Challenge<sup>sm</sup> Certification □ Other internationally recognized building certification: 2. Bidder has received incentives or rebates from an Energy Efficiency Utility or Energy Efficiency Program in the last five years for energy efficient improvements made at bidder's place of business. Please explain: 3. Please Check all that apply: ☐ Bidder can claim on-site renewable power or anaerobic-digester power ("cow-power"). Or bidder consumes renewable electricity through voluntary purchase or offset, provided no such claimed power can be double-claimed by another party. ☐ Bidder uses renewable biomass or bio-fuel for the purposes of thermal (heat) energy at its place of ☐ Bidder's heating system has modern, high-efficiency units (boilers, furnaces, stoves, etc.), having reduced emissions of particulate matter and other air pollutants. ☐ Bidder tracks its energy consumption and harmful greenhouse gas emissions. What tool is used to do this? ☐ Bidder promotes the use of plug-in electric vehicles by providing electric vehicle charging, electric fleet vehicles, preferred parking, designated parking, purchase or lease incentives, etc... ☐ Bidder offers employees an option for a fossil fuel divestment retirement account. ☐ Bidder offers products or services that reduce waste, conserve water, or promote energy efficiency and conservation. Please explain: 4. Please list any additional practices that promote clean energy and take action to address climate change:

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- E. Certification Regarding Use of Contract Funds for Lobbying Applicable to contracts over \$100,000.00 when federal monies are involved - this clause must be included in all subcontracts over \$100,000,00.
  - 1. The prospective contractor certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, under the penalties of perjury under the laws of the State of Vermont and the United States that on behalf of the person, firm, association, or corporation he or she represents, that:
  - a. 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 Federal 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 any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
  - b. 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 Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
  - 2. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. 1352. 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.
  - 3. The prospective contractor also agrees that they shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower tier subcontracts, which exceed \$100,000 and that all such recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

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Bidder Name:	Contact Name:
Address:	
	Telephone:
	E-Mail:
Ву:	Name:
Signature of Bidder (or Represe	ntative) (Type or Print)

**END OF CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE** 

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# PRICE SCHEDULE RFP – Standy Generator Installation

#### 1. Fixed Price Deliverables:

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Item 1: Delivery, Installation and Removal of standby generators to the <u>accessible radio tower locations</u>, encompassing the full scope of work, for seven sites.

Site Name	Primary Address	Town Name	Fuel Type	Delivery and Removal Cost	Hourly Rate	Total Install Hours	Total Cost for Delivery, Removal and Installation
Bellevue	235 Valley Watch Rd.	Saint Albans Town	Propane				
Brownington	2146 Hinman Settler Rd.	Brownington	Propane				
Millstone	55 McLeod Hill Rd.	Barre Town	Propane				
Pierson Hill	107 Ben Dexter Rd.	Topsham	Propane				
Russ Hill	432 Falcon Ridge Ln.	Royalton	Propane				
Snow	266 Summit Work Rd.	Somerset	Propane				
Streeter Hill	39 Tower Rd.	West Chesterfield, NH	Propane				
Deliverable Item 1 Total Cost						\$	

Item 2: Installation of standby generators at the two remote tower locations.

Site Name	Primary Address	Town Name	Fuel Type	Hourly Rate	Total Install Hours	Total Cost for Installation
Killington	4561 Killington Rd.	Killington	Gasoline			

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Mansfield	4410 Toll Rd.	Stowe	Diesel			
			Delive	rable Item	2 Total Cost	\$

# 2. SERVICE DELIVERABLES TIMELINE

Item	Duration start to finish (weeks)
Install nine (9) generators in the field.	

Bidder acknowledges that certification or waiver for compliance with the Build America Buy A	merica Act
(BABAA) will be required prior to award and execution of a contract for this project	

Name of Bidder:		
Signature of Bidder:		
Date:		

#### SUBCONTRACTOR REPORTING FORM

This form must be completed in its entirety and submitted prior to contract execution and updated as necessary and provided to the State as additional subcontractors are hired.

The Department of Buildings and General Services in accordance with Act 54, Section 32 of the Acts of 2009 and for total project costs exceeding \$250,000.00 requires bidders to comply with the following provisions and requirements.

Contractor is required to provide a list of subcontractors on the job along with lists of subcontractor's subcontractors and by whom those subcontractors are insured for workers' compensation purposes. <u>Include additional pages if necessary</u>. This is not a requirement for subcontractor's providing supplies only and no labor to the overall contract or project.

Subcontractor	Insured By		Subcontractor's Sub	Insured By
Date:				
Name of Company:		Co	ntact Name:	
Address:		Title	e:	
		Pho	one Number:	
E-mail:		Fax	Number:	
Ву:		Naı	ne:	

Failure to adhere to Act 54, Section 32 of the Acts of 2009 and submit Subcontractor Reporting: Worker Classification Compliance Requirement will constitute non-compliance and may result in cancellation of contract and/or forfeiture of future bidding privileges until resolved.

Send Completed Form to: Office of Purchasing & Contracting

133 State Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Montpelier, VT 05633-8000

#### **Build America, Buy America Act (BABAA):**

To the extent that provisions found in Pub. L. No. 117-58, §§70901-52, as supplemented by OMB guidance M-22-11 (April 18, 2022) are applicable, recipients must use iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials produced in the United States for any infrastructure projects funded under this award unless they first request and obtain a waiver from the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office).

The Build America, Buy America Act (BABAA), Pub. L. No. 117-58, §§70901-52, requires all federal agencies, including the COPS Office, to ensure by May 14, 2022, that no federal financial assistance for "infrastructure" projects is provided "unless all of the iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in the project are produced in the United States."

In accordance with section 70914 of the BABAA, COPS Office recipients receiving funding for infrastructure projects (e.g., construction, renovation, and broadband infrastructure) may not use their grant funds for these infrastructure projects or activities unless they comply with the BABAA sourcing requirements or request and obtain a waiver of the requirements from the COPS Office.

The COPS Office may approve, subject to notice and comment requirements and OMB review, the following types of waivers in accordance with sections 70914(b) and (d), 70921(b), 70935, and 70937 of the Build America, Buy America Act:

- 1. Nonavailability Waivers Waivers addressing the unavailability of American made iron, steel, manufactured products, or construction materials.
- 2. Unreasonable Cost Waivers Waivers reflecting that the overall cost of the infrastructure project with domestic iron, steel, manufactured products, or construction materials exceeds by more than 25 percent the overall cost of the project with foreign iron, steel, manufactured products, or construction materials.
- 3. Public Interest Waivers, which include:
- i. de minimis standard waivers that exempt up to 5% of project costs up to the Simplified Acquisition Threshold when this would advance the public interest;
- ii. small grants waivers for grants below the Simplified Acquisition Threshold when this would advance the public interest;
- iii. adjustment period waivers such as brief, time limited waivers to allow recipients to transition to new rules and processes when this would advance the public interest;
- iv. international trade obligations waivers when a recipient has assumed procurement obligations pursuant to the Government Procurement Agreement or any other trade agreement, and waivers to ensure compliance with such obligations may be in the public interest; and
- v. general applicability waivers that are issued under limited conditions, e.g., product-specific waivers for which there are known domestic sourcing challenges.

4. Exigent Circumstances Waivers: In limited situations where there is an urgent need in an unforeseen and exigent circumstance, the COPS Office may waive the BABAA sourcing requirements without subjecting such waiver to public comments and the Office of Management and Budget's Made in America Office (MIAO) review.

Recipients do not need to obtain a waiver of the BABAA sourcing requirements from the COPS Office if they will use only American produced iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials for the project.

If a recipient determines a waiver is necessary, an application for a waiver should be submitted as soon as possible and provide detailed information to expedite the COPS Office's review. Recipients agree not to obligate, expend or draw down funds for infrastructure projects or activities unless they comply with the BABAA sourcing requirements or request and obtain a waiver of the requirements from the COPS Office.

# STANDARD CONTRACT FOR SERVICES

1. Parties. This is a contract for services between the State of Vermont, (hereinafter ca	ılled		
"State"), and, with a principal place of business in, (hereinafter ca			
"Contractor"). Contractor's form of business organization is It is Contractor's responsibilit			
contact the Vermont Department of Taxes to determine if, by law, Contractor is required to have a Vermont			
Department of Taxes Business Account Number.			
2. <b>Subject Matter.</b> The subject matter of this contract is services generally on the subject of			
Detailed services to be provided by Contractor are described in Attachment A.			
3. Maximum Amount. In consideration of the services to be performed by Contractor, the State agrees to	nav		
Contractor, in accordance with the payment provisions specified in Attachment B, a sum not to exceed the specified in Attachment B.			
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4. Contract Term. The period of Contractor's performance shall begin on , 20 and end	d on		
, 20			
5. Prior Approvals. This Contract shall not be binding unless and until all requisite prior approvals have been			
obtained in accordance with current State law, bulletins, and interpretations.			
6. Amondment. No changes modifications or amendments in the terms and conditions of this contract shall	ll be		
6. Amendment. No changes, modifications, or amendments in the terms and conditions of this contract shall be effective unless reduced to writing, numbered and signed by the duly authorized representative of the State and			
Contractor.	and		
Contractor.			
7. Termination for Convenience. This contract may be terminated by the State at any time by giving written no	otice		
at least thirty (30) days in advance. In such event, Contractor shall be paid under the terms of this contract for all			
services provided to and accepted by the State prior to the effective date of termination.			
8. Attachments. This contract consists of pages including the following attachments which are incorpor	ated		
herein:			
Attachment A - Statement of Work			
Attachment B - Payment Provisions			
Attachment C - "Standard State Provisions for Contracts and Grants" a preprinted form (revision	date		
10/1/2024)			
"State of Vermont – Federal Terms Supplement - Non-Construction (May 24, 2024) INSTRUCTION FO	R		
WHEN TO USE SECTION: THIS ATTACHMENT MUST BE INCLUDED IN ANY CONTRACT FOR WHIC	C <b>H</b>		
FEDERAL FUNDS WILL BE USED. THIS LANGUAGE CAN BE DELETED HERE IF THIS REQUIREMENT			
IS NOT APPLICABLE.			
Attachment D - Other Provisions			
Additional attachments may be lettered as necessary			

9. Order of Precedence. Any ambiguity, conflict or inconsistency between the documents comprising this contract shall be resolved according to the following order of precedence:

- (1) Standard Contract
- (2) Attachment D
- (3) Attachment C (Standard Contract Provisions for Contracts and Grants)
- (4) State of Vermont Federal Terms Supplement (non-construction)
- (5) Attachment A
- (6) Attachment B

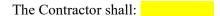
List other attachments, if any, in order of precedence

## WE THE UNDERSIGNED PARTIES AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THIS CONTRACT

By the State of Vermont:	By the Contractor:
Date:	Date:
Signature:	Signature:
Name:	Name:
Title:	Title:

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#### ATTACHMENT A – STATEMENT OF WORK



DELETE THESE INSTRUCTIONS All State contracts must describe the work to be performed in clear, concise and complete statements. Attachment A of the Standard State Contract should be used to detail the work to be performed or products to be delivered by the contractor. A well written description will include the schedule for performance, identification of project deliverables, deliverable milestones, and standards by which the contractor's performance will be measured. This description of the work may also be referred to as the Statement of Work, Specifications of Work, or Subject Matter. Please refer to Appendix II for further guidance. The deliverables and milestones should be used to inform the payment terms in Attachment B. Attaching RFPs and RFP responses to contracts is not permitted. RFP responses can be long and complicated and may include both unnecessary information and introduce internally inconsistent terms within the contract.

The level of required contract compliance monitoring, if applicable, should be based on the assessment of the risk for delay or failure to deliver the services. In assessing the risk, agencies should consider factors such as: amount of funds involved; contract duration; contract complexity; history of the Contractor with State government; amount of subcontracting involved; and other relevant issues. Whether or not liquidated damages, service credits and/or retainage are part of the contract, the document should include a section that describes specifically how the Agency will monitor the contract for compliance.

Types of compliance monitoring processes and steps may include: (i) periodic contractor reports; (ii) invoice reviews; (iii) on-site visits; (iv) scheduled meetings; (v) audits; (vi) independent performance reviews; (vii) surveys of users/clients; and (viii) post-contract audit or review. This section may also describe a process for identification, discussion, and resolution of disputes between the Contractor and the State, both during the contract duration and after expiration.

NOTE: Additional guidance for drafting Attachment A is provided in Bulletin 3.5, Appendix II

#### ATTACHMENT B – PAYMENT PROVISIONS

The maximum dollar amount payable under this contract is not intended as any form of a guaranteed amount. The Contractor will be paid for products or services actually delivered or performed, as specified in Attachment A, up to the maximum allowable amount specified on page 1 of this contract.

- 1. Prior to commencement of work and release of any payments, Contractor shall submit to the State:
  - a. a certificate of insurance consistent with the requirements set forth in Attachment C, Section 8 (Insurance), and with any additional requirements for insurance as may be set forth elsewhere in this contract; and
  - b. a current IRS Form W-9 (signed within the last six months).
- 2. Payment terms are **Net 30** days from the date the State receives an error-free invoice with all necessary and complete supporting documentation.
- 3. Contractor shall submit detailed invoices itemizing all work performed during the invoice period, including the dates of service, rates of pay, hours of work performed, and any other information and/or documentation appropriate and sufficient to substantiate the amount invoiced for payment by the State. All invoices must include the Contract # for this contract.
- 4. Contractor shall submit invoices to the State in accordance with the schedule set forth in this Attachment B. Unless a more particular schedule is provided herein, invoices shall be submitted not more frequently than monthly.
- 5. Invoices shall be submitted to the State at the following address:
- 6. The payment schedule for delivered products, or rates for services performed, and any additional reimbursements, are as follows:

**DELETE THESE INSTRUCTIONS** The above language up through section 5 is standard and should be included in all services contracts. Section 6 is merely a prompt for completion of the particular payment terms necessary to the contract, such as the schedule and/or rates of pay. Sample language is provided below, if helpful, but there is no required format.

TIME/MATERIALS: If payment will be based upon time and materials, specify the frequency of invoicing and the rate of payment. For example:

Contractor shall be paid \$50.00 per hour for work performed under this Contract, and shall submit invoices to the State not more frequently than monthly.

FIXED PRICE/DELIVERABLES: If payments are fixed price, specify an invoice schedule that corresponds to completion of the deliverables or phases of work described in Attachment A. For example:

Contractor shall submit invoices to the State in accordance with the following schedule:

<u>Deliverable</u>	Invoice Amount
Phase 1 completed by May 1, 2015	\$5,000.00
Phase 2 completed by July 1, 2015	\$5,000.00
Submit Final Report by August 31, 2015	\$8,000.00

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## ATTACHMENT C: STANDARD STATE PROVISIONS FOR CONTRACTS AND GRANTS REVISED OCTOBER 1, 2024

"Attachment C: Standard State Provisions for Contracts and Grants" (revision version dated October 1, 2024) constitutes part of this Agreement and is hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein and shall apply to the Contractor and to the purchase of all goods and/or services by the State under this Agreement. A copy of this document is available online at: <a href="https://bgs.vermont.gov/purchasing-contracting/forms">https://bgs.vermont.gov/purchasing-contracting/forms</a>.

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#### STATE OF VERMONT- FEDERAL TERMS SUPPLEMENT (Non-Construction)

(Revision date: May 24, 2024)

#### PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS

In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated Items unless the products cannot be acquired-

- 1. Competitively within a time frame providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
- 2. Meeting contract performance requirements; or
- 3. At a reasonable price

Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA-designated items, is available at the EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, <a href="https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program">https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program</a>.

The Contractor also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act.

#### **CLEAN AIR ACT**

- 1. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
- 2. The contractor agrees to report each violation to the State of Vermont and understands and agrees that the State of Vermont will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- 3. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

#### FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT

- 1. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
- 2. The contractor agrees to report each violation to the State of Vermont and understands and agrees that the State of Vermont will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- 3. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA. a. Standard. Non-Federal entities and contractors are subject to the debarment and suspension regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, *Debarment and Suspension* (1986) and Executive Order 12689, *Debarment and Suspension* (1989) at 2 C.F.R. Part 180 and the Department of Homeland Security's regulations at 2 C.F.R. Part 3000 (Nonprocurement Debarment and Suspension).

#### CONTRACTOR BREACH, ERRORS AND OMISSIONS

- 1. Any breach of the terms of this contract, or material errors and omissions in the work product of the contractor must be corrected by the contractor at no cost to the State, and a contractor may be liable for the State's costs and other damages resulting from errors or deficiencies in its performance.
- 2. Neither the States' review, approval or acceptance of nor payment for, the services required under this contract shall be construed to operate as a waiver of any rights under this contract or of any cause of action arising out of the performance of this contract.
- 3. The rights and remedies of the State provided for under this contract are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or elsewhere in the contract.

#### TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

#### 1. General

- a. Any termination for convenience shall be effected by delivery to the Contractor an Order of Termination specifying the termination is for the convenience of the Agency, the extent to which performance of work under the Contract is terminated, and the effective date of the termination.
- b. In the event such termination occurs, without fault and for reasons beyond the control of the Contractor, all completed or partially completed items of work as of the date of termination will be paid for in accordance with the contract payment terms.
- c. No compensation will be allowed for items eliminated from the Contract.
- d. Termination of the Contract, or portion thereof, shall not relieve the Contractor of its contractual responsibilities for work completed and shall not relieve the Contractor's Surety of its obligation for and concerning any just claim arising out of the work performed.

#### 2. Contractor Obligations

After receipt of the Notice of Termination and except as otherwise directed by the State, the Contractor shall immediately proceed to:

- a. To the extent specified in the Notice of Termination, stop work under the Contract on the date specified.
- b. Place no further orders or subcontracts for materials, services, and/or facilities except as may be necessary for completion of such portion(s) of the work under the Contract as is (are) not terminated.
- c. Terminate and cancel any orders or subcontracts for related to the services, except as may be necessary for completion of such portion(s) of the work under the Contract as is (are) not terminated.
- d. Transfer to the State all completed or partially completed plans, drawings, information, and other property which, if the Contract had been completed, would be required to be furnished to the State.
- e. Take other action as may be necessary or as directed by the State for the protection and preservation of the property related to the contract which is in the possession of the contractor and in which the State has or may acquire any interest.
- f. Make available to the State all cost and other records relevant to a determination of an equitable settlement.

#### 3. Claim by Contractor

After receipt of the Notice of Termination from the state, the Contractor shall submit any claim for additional costs not covered herein or elsewhere in the Contract within 60 days of the effective termination date, and not thereafter. Should the Contractor fail to submit a claim within the 60-day period, the State may, at its sole discretion, based on information available to it, determine what, if any, compensation is due the Contractor and pay the Contractor the determined amount.

#### 4. Negotiation

Negotiation to settle a timely claim shall be for the sole purpose of reaching a settlement equitable to both the Contractor and the State. To the extent settlement is properly based on Contractor costs, settlement shall be based on actual costs incurred by the Contractor, as reflected by the contract rates. Consequential damages, loss of overhead, loss of overhead contribution of any kind, and/or loss of anticipated profits on work not performed shall not be included in the Contractor's claim and will not be considered, allowed, or included as part of any settlement.

# PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVELLIENCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT- this clause must be included in all subcontracts.

In connection with this contract, Contractors and Subcontractors are prohibited from:

- (a) Utilizing, procuring or obtaining equipment, services, or systems that use covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. As described in <a href="Public Law 115-232">Public Law 115-232</a>, section 889, covered telecommunications equipment is telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
  - (i) For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
  - (ii) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment.
  - (iii) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.
- (b) In implementing the prohibition under <u>Public Law 115-232</u>, section 889, subsection (f), paragraph (1), heads of executive agencies administering loan, grant, or subsidy programs shall prioritize available funding and technical support to assist affected businesses, institutions and organizations as is reasonably necessary for those affected entities to transition from covered communications equipment and services, to procure replacement equipment and services, and to ensure that communications service to users and customers is sustained.
- (c) See Public Law 115-232, section 889 for additional information.
- (d) See also § 200.471.

#### SUSPENSION AND DEBARMENT - This clause must be included in all subcontracts

This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. Part 180 and 2 C.F.R. Part 3000. As such, the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor's principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995) or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935). The contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. Part 180, subpart C and 2C.F.R. Part 3000, subpart C, and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into. This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by (insert name of the recipient/subrecipient/applicant). If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. Part 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. Part 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to (insert name of recipient/subrecipient/applicant), the federal government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment. The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. Part 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. Part 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions

**BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING CERTIFICATION** - Applicable to contracts over \$100,000.00- this clause must be included in all subcontracts over \$100,000.00.

Contractor has provided the certification required by the Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, 31 U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended, and will follow the requirements for certification of each lower tier (subcontract) to disclose any lobbying with non-federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any federal award. Such disclosures will be forwarded from tier to tier up to the Contractor who in turn will forward the certification(s) to the federal awarding agency.

#### DOMESTIC PREFERENCE FOR PROCUREMENTS

As appropriate, and to the extent consistent with law, the contractor should, to the greatest extent practicable, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States. This includes, but is not limited

to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products. For purposes of this clause: Produced in the United States means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States. Manufactured products mean items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber."

# CONTRACTING WITH SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESSES, WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES, AND LABOR SURPLUS FIRMS.

- (a) Contractor 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 <u>paragraphs (b)(1)</u> through (5) of this section

The following clauses are applicable when a contract utilizes State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLRF) funds, and must be passed down to subcontractors and grantees:

#### WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTIONS

Contractor shall comply with 41. U.S.C. § 4712 and inform their employees of their rights and remedies in the predominant native language of the workforce.

#### FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

Contractor must comply with 42 U.S.C. §2000d et seq., and as enacted by 31 C.F.R. Part 22

#### FEDERAL AND STATE LAW, REGULATION, AND AGENCY GUIDANCE

Contractor must comply with comply the requirements of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 602 and regulations adopted by Treasury pursuant to section 602(f) of the Social Security Act, and guidance issued by Treasury regarding the forgoing, and comply with all other federal statues, regulations, and executive orders, including generally applicable environmental laws and regulations

#### UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. Part 200 as modified by the Treasury's guidance.

#### INCREASING SEATBELT USE

Contractor must comply with Executive Order 13043, 62 FR 1927 (April 18, 1997)

## REDUCING TEXTING WHILE DRIVING

Contractor must comply with Executive Order 13513, 74 FR 51225 (Oct. 6, 2009).