ENGINEERING, OPERATIONS, AND WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY
AGENCY HEADQUARTERS, CHINO, CALIFORNIA

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2018
9:45 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public may address the Board on any item that is within the jurisdiction of the Board; however, no action may be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda unless the action is otherwise authorized by Subdivision (b) of Section 54954.2 of the Government Code. Those persons wishing to address the Board on any matter, whether or not it appears on the agenda, are requested to complete and submit to the Board Secretary a “Request to Speak” form which is available on the table in the Board Room. Comments will be limited to five minutes per speaker. Thank you.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

In accordance with Section 54954.2 of the Government Code (Brown Act), additions to the agenda require two-thirds vote of the legislative body, or, if less than two-thirds of the members are present, a unanimous vote of those members present, that there is a need to take immediate action and that the need for action came to the attention of the local agency subsequent to the agenda being posted.

1. ACTION ITEMS

A. MINUTES
   The Committee will be asked to approve the Engineering, Operations, and Water Resources Committee meeting minutes of February 14, 2018.

B. PURCHASE OF NEW VEHICLES
   Staff recommends that the Committee/Board:

   1. Authorize the purchase of 14 new fleet vehicles from National Auto Fleet Group for a not-to-exceed amount of $500,000 (including tax and delivery); and

   2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the purchase.
C. **RP-5 DYNASAND FILTER REHABILITATION CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD**
   Staff recommends that the Committee/Board:
   
   1. Award a construction contract for the RP-5 DynaSand Filter Rehabilitation Project, to GSE Construction Co., in the amount of $476,800; and
   
   2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the contract.

D. **RP-1 POWER SYSTEM UPGRADES PHASE II CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD**
   Staff recommends that the Committee/Board:
   
   1. Award a construction contract for the RP-1 Power System Upgrades Phase II, Project No. EN13048, to Henkels & McCoy in the amount of $358,812.54; and
   
   2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the contract.

E. **RP-1 DISINFECTION IMPROVEMENTS CONSULTANT CONTRACT AMENDMENT**
   Staff recommends that the Committee/Board:
   
   1. Approve a consultant contract amendment for the RP-1 Disinfection Improvements, Project No. EN11039, to Carollo Engineers for a not-to-exceed amount of $56,354; and
   
   2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the contract amendment subject to non-substantive changes.

2. **INFORMATION ITEM**

   A. **LABORATORY SEMI ANNUAL UPDATE (POWERPOINT)**
   
   B. **WATER SMART LANDSCAPING IN THE INLAND EMPIRE (WRITTEN)**

   RECEIVE AND FILE INFORMATION ITEM

   C. **ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT PROJECT UPDATES (POWERPOINT)**

3. **GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS**

4. **COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

5. **COMMITTEE MEMBER REQUESTED FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**
6. **ADJOURN**

*A Municipal Water District*

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Proofed by: [Signature]

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I, April Woodruff, Board Secretary of the Inland Empire Utilities Agency, A Municipal Water District, hereby certify that a copy of the agenda has been posted by 5:30 p.m. in the foyer at the Agency's main office, 6075 Kimball Ave., Building A, Chino, CA on Thursday, March 8, 2018.

[Signature]  
April Woodruff
Engineering, Operations, and Water Resources Committee

ACTION
ITEM
1A
COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT
Michael Camacho, Chair
Kati Parker

STAFF PRESENT
Halla Razak, General Manager
Chris Berch, Executive Manager of Engineering/AGM
Kathy Besser, Executive Manager of External Affairs & Policy Development/AGM
Randy Lee, Executive Manager of Operations/AGM
Christina Valencia, Executive Manager of Finance & Administration/AGM
Joshua Aguilar, Senior Engineer
Adham Almasri, Senior Engineer
Jerry Burke, Deputy Manager of Engineering
Andrea Carruthers, Senior External Affairs Specialist
Robert Delgado, Deputy Manager of Maintenance
Michael Dias, Associate Engineer
Gary Dix, Construction Project Manager
Jason Gu, Manager of Grants
Sylvie Lee, Manager of Planning & Environmental Resources
Jesse Pompa, Senior Engineer
Craig Proctor, Source Control & Environmental Resources Supervisor
Shaun Stone, Manager of Engineering
Ken Tam, Senior Associate Engineer
Teresa Velarde, Manager of Internal Audit
April Woodruff, Board Secretary/Office Manager
Jamal Zughbi, Senior Engineer/Project Manager, P.E.

OTHERS PRESENT
None

The meeting was called to order at 9:50 a.m. There were no public comments received or additions to the agenda.

ACTION ITEMS
The Committee:

- Approved the Engineering, Operations, and Water Resources Committee meeting minutes of January 10, 2018.
Recommended that the Board:

1. Hold a Public Hearing to receive public comments prior to adoption of Ordinance No. 106, regulating the availability and use of the Inland Empire Brine Line; and

2. After closing the Public hearing, adopt the Inland Empire Brine Line Ordinance No. 106;

as a Public Hearing Item on the February 21, 2018 Board meeting agenda.

Recommended that the Board adopt Resolution No. 2018-2-6, establishing guidelines to create Capacity Right Agreements between the Inland Empire Utilities Agency and potential users of the Inland Empire Brine Line;

as a Consent Calendar Item on the February 21, 2018 Board meeting agenda.

Recommended that the Board:

1. Increase the spending authorization to perform corrosion and condition assessment services for a total aggregate not-to-exceed amount of $600,000 to the following:
   - Contract No. 4600001614 to V&A Consulting Engineering Inc.
   - Contract No. 4600001622 to HDR Engineering, Inc.; and

2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the contract amendments subject to non-substantive changes;

as a Consent Calendar Item on the February 21, 2018 Board meeting agenda.

Recommended that the Board:

1. Award a consultant contract for the CCWRF Asset Management and Improvements Package III, Project No. EN18036, to GHD for the not-to-exceed amount of $242,362; and

2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the contract subject to non-substantive changes;

as a Consent Calendar Item on the February 21, 2018 Board meeting agenda.

Recommended that the Board:

1. Award a consultant contract for the CCWRF Asset Management and Improvements Package II, Project No. EN18037, to Gillis and Panichapan Architects, Inc., for a not-to-exceed amount of $140,125; and

2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the contract subject to non-substantive changes;

as a Consent Calendar Item on the February 21, 2018 Board meeting agenda.
Recommended that the Board:

1. Award a construction contract for the RP-1 Maintenance Building HVAC Replacement, Project No. EN18040, to Allison Mechanical, Inc., in the amount of $167,967; and

2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the contract; as a Consent Calendar Item on the February 21, 2018 Board meeting agenda.

Recommended that the Board:

1. Award a single source service contract for the PlantPax training program to support to the SCADA Enterprise System, Project No. EN13016, to Royal Industrial Solutions, for a not-to-exceed amount of $156,039; and

2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the contract subject to non-substantive changes; as a Consent Calendar Item on the February 21, 2018 Board meeting agenda.

Recommended that the Board:

1. Award a master service contract amendment to Golden State Labor Compliance for a not-to-exceed total amount of $45,120 and for a one-year term extension; and

2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the task order amendment subject to non-substantive changes; as a Consent Calendar Item on the February 21, 2018 Board meeting agenda.

Recommended that the Board reject the September 14, 2017 bids for the Maintenance Process and SAP Enhancement Project; as a Consent Calendar Item on the February 21, 2018 Board meeting agenda.

INFORMATION ITEMS
The following information items were presented or received and filed by the Committee:

- Mid-Year Building Activity Report & Water Connections Summary
- Engineering and Construction Management Project Updates

GENERAL MANAGER’S COMMENTS
General Manager Halla Razak had no comments.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS
There were no Committee member comments.

COMMITTEE MEMBER REQUESTED FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
There were no Committee member requests for future agenda items.
With no further business, Director Camacho adjourned the meeting at 10:02 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

April Woodruff  
Board Secretary/Office Manager

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APPROVED: MARCH 14, 2018
Date: March 21, 2018
To: The Honorable Board of Directors
From: Halla Razak, General Manager
Committee: Engineering, Operations & Water Resources

Executive Contact: Randy Lee, Executive Manager of Operations/AGM
Subject: Purchase of New Vehicles

Executive Summary:
The Agency’s 110 fleet vehicles and rolling equipment services the 242-square mile service area. The Agency’s vehicle policy provides for the replacement of utility vehicles after ten years or 100,000 miles of service. In accordance with this policy, staff recommends that 14 Agency vehicles be replaced. The vehicles proposed to be replaced are between 10 to 13 years old.

The Agency has elected to participate in the National Joint Powers Alliance for the National Auto Fleet Group that will provide the Agency the best overall supplier government pricing through a national purchasing cooperative program, with a reduction of 20 to 25 percent in price.

Staff's Recommendation:
1. Authorize the purchase of 14 new fleet vehicles from National Auto Fleet Group for a not-to-exceed amount of $500,000 (including tax and delivery); and
2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the purchase.

Budget Impact  Budgeted (Y/N): Y  Amendment (Y/N): N  Amount for Requested Approval: $ 500,000
Account/Project Name:

Fiscal Impact (explain if not budgeted):

Full account coding (internal AP purposes only):
Project No.: 
Prior Board Action:

On June 21, 2017, Board approved the Agency's Biennial Budget, which included Project EP18004 Agency-Wide Vehicle Replacement authorizing the purchase of replacement Agency vehicles through the standard procurement process.

Environmental Determination:
Statutory Exemption

CEQA exempts a variety of projects from compliance with the statute. This project qualifies as a rates, tolls, fares and charges as defined in Section 15273(a)(2) of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Business Goal:

The purchase of the new vehicles aligns with the Agency’s environmental stewardship goal to enhance and promote environmental sustainability.

Attachments:
Attachment A: National Joint Powers Alliance for the National Auto Fleet Group agreement
Attachment A
National Joint Powers Alliance® (herein NJPA)

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (herein RFP)

for the procurement of

VEHICLES, CARS, VANS, SUVs, AND LIGHT TRUCKS WITH RELATED EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES, AND SERVICES

RFP Opening

DECEMBER 8, 2016
8:30 a.m. Central Time
At the offices of the
National Joint Powers Alliance®
202 12th Street Northeast, Staples, MN 56479

RFP #120716

The National Joint Powers Alliance® (NJPA), on behalf of NJPA and its current and potential member agencies, which includes all governmental, higher education, K-12 education, not-for-profit, tribal government, and all other public agencies located in all fifty states, Canada, and internationally, issues this Request For Proposal (RFP) to result in a national contract solution for the procurement of #120716 VEHICLES, CARS, VANS, SUVs, AND LIGHT TRUCKS WITH RELATED EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES, AND SERVICES. Details of this RFP are available beginning October 21, 2016. Details may be obtained by letter of request to Jonathan Yahn, NJPA, 202 12th Street Northeast, P.O. Box 219, Staples, MN 56479, or by e-mail at RFP@njpacoop.org. Proposals will be received until December 7, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. Central Time at the above address and opened December 8, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. Central Time.

RFP Timeline

October 21, 2016 Publication of RFP in the print and online version of USA Today, in the print and online version of the Salt Lake Tribune within the State of Utah, in the print and online version of the Daily Journal of Commerce within the State of Oregon (note to OR entities: this pertains to http://www.njpacoop.org/oregon-advertising), in the print and online version of The State within the State of South Carolina, the NJPA website, MERX, Noticetobidders.com, PublicPurchase.com, Biddingo, and Onvia.

November 16, 2016 Pre-Proposal Conference (the webcast/conference call). The Pre-Proposal Conference will be sent to all inquirers two business days before the conference.

November 30, 2016 Deadline for RFP questions

December 7, 2016 Deadline for Submission of Proposals. Late responses will be returned unopened.

December 8, 2016 Public Opening of Proposals.

Direct questions regarding this RFP to: Jonathan Yahn at jonathan.yahn@njpacoop.org or (218)895-4144.
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   Contract means this RFP, current pricing information, fully executed Forms C, D, F, & P from the
   Proposer’s response pursuant to this RFP, and a fully executed Form E (“Acceptance and Award”) with
   final terms and conditions. Form E will be executed after a formal award and will provide final clarification
   of terms and conditions of the award.

B. PROPOSER
   A Proposer is a company, person, or entity delivering a timely response to this RFP. This RFP may also
   use the terms “respondent” or “proposed Vendor,” which is interchangeable with Proposer as the context
   allows.

C. SOURCED GOOD or OPEN MARKET ITEM
   A Sourced Good or Open Market Item is a product within the RFP’s scope 1) that is not currently available
   under the Vendor’s NJPA contract, 2) that a member wants to buy under contract from an awarded Vendor,
   and 3) that is generally deemed incidental to the total transaction or purchase of contract items.

D. VENDOR
   A Proposer whose response has been awarded a contract pursuant to this RFP.
2 ADVERTISEMENT OF RFP

2.1 NJPA advertises this solicitation: 1) in the hard copy print and online editions of the USA Today; 2) once each in Oregon’s Daily Journal of Commerce, South Carolina’s The State and Utah’s Salt Lake Tribune; 3) on NJPA’s website; and 4) on other third-party websites deemed appropriate by NJPA. Other third-party advertisers may include Onvia, PublicPurchase.com, MERX, and Biddingo.

2.2 NJPA also notifies and provides solicitation documentation to each state-level procurement departments for possible re-posting of the solicitation within their systems and at their option for future use and to meet specific state requirements.

3 INTRODUCTION

A. ABOUT NJPA

3.1 The National Joint Powers Alliance® (NJPA) is a public agency serving as a national municipal contracting agency established under the Service Cooperative statute by Minnesota Legislative Statute §123A.21 with the authority to develop and offer, among other services, cooperative procurement services to its membership. Eligible membership and participation includes states, cities, counties, all government agencies, both public and non-public educational agencies, colleges, universities and non-profit organizations.

3.2 Under the authority of Minnesota state laws and enabling legislation, NJPA facilitates a competitive solicitation and contracting process on behalf of the needs of itself and the needs of current and potential member agencies nationally. This process results in national procurement contracts with various Vendors of products/equipment and services which NJPA Member agencies desire to procure. These procurement contracts are created in compliance with applicable Minnesota Municipal Contracting Laws. A complete listing of NJPA cooperative procurement contracts can be found at www.njpacoop.org.

3.3 NJPA is a public agency governed by publicly elected officials that serve as the NJPA Board of Directors. NJPA’s Board of Directors oversees and authorizes the calls for all new proposals and holds those resulting Contracts for the benefit of its own and its Members use.

3.4 NJPA currently serves over 50,000 member agencies nationally. Both membership and utilization of NJPA contracts continue to expand, due in part to the increasing acceptance of Cooperative Purchasing throughout the government and education communities nationally.

B. JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS LAWS

3.5 NJPA cooperatively shares those contracts with its Members nationwide through various Joint Exercise of Powers Laws or Cooperative Purchasing Statutes established in Minnesota, other states and Canadian provinces. The Minnesota Joint Exercise of Powers Law is Minnesota Statute §471.59 which states “Two or more governmental units...may jointly or cooperatively exercise any power common to the contracting parties...” This Minnesota Statute allows NJPA to serve Member agencies located in all other states. Municipal agencies nationally can participate in cooperative purchasing activities under their own state law. These laws can be found on our website at http://www.njpacoop.org/national-cooperative-contract-solutions/legal-authority/.

C. WHY RESPOND TO A NATIONAL COOPERATIVE PROCUREMENT CONTRACT

3.6 National Cooperative Procurement Contracts create value for Municipal and Public Agencies, as well as for Vendors of products/equipment and services in a variety of ways:
3.6.1 National cooperative contracts potentially save time and effort for municipal and public agencies, who otherwise would have to solicit vendor responses to individual RFPs, resulting in individual contracts, to meet the procurement needs of their respective agencies. Considerable time and effort is also potentially saved by the Vendors who would have had to otherwise respond to each of those individual RFPs. A single, nationally advertised RFP, resulting in a single, national cooperative contract can potentially replace thousands of individual RFPs for the same equipment/products/services that might have been otherwise advertised by individual NJPA member agencies.

3.6.2 NJPA contracts offer our Members nationally leveraged volume purchasing discounts. Our contract terms and conditions offer the opportunity for Vendors to recognize individual member procurement volume commitment through additional volume based contract discounts.

3.7 State laws that permit or encourage cooperative purchasing contracts do so with the belief that cooperative efficiencies will result in lower prices, better overall value, and considerable time savings.

3.8 The collective purchasing power of thousands of NJPA Member agencies nationwide offers the opportunity for volume pricing discounts. Although no sales or sales volume is guaranteed by an NJPA Contract resulting from this RFP, substantial volume is anticipated and volume pricing is requested and justified.

3.9 NJPA and its Members desire the best value for their procurement dollar as well as a competitive price. Vendors have the opportunity to display and highlight value-added attributes of their company, equipment/products and services without constraints of a typical individual proposal process.

D. THE INTENT OF THIS RFP

3.10 National contract awarded by NJPA: NJPA seeks the most responsive and responsible Vendor relationship(s) to reflect the best interests of NJPA and its Member agencies. Through a competitive proposal and evaluation process, the NJPA Proposal Evaluation Committee recommends vendors for a national contract awarded by the action of the NJPA Chief Procurement Officer. NJPA’s primary intent is to establish and provide a national cooperative procurement contract that offer opportunities for NJPA and our current and potential Member agencies throughout the United States and Canada to procure quality product/equipment and services as desired and needed. The contracts will be marketed nationally through a cooperative effort between the awarded vendor(s) and NJPA. Contracts are expected to offer price levels reflective of the potential and collective volume of NJPA and the nationally established NJPA membership base.

3.11 Beyond our primary intent, NJPA further desires to:

3.11.1 Award a four-year contract with a fifth-year contract option resulting from this RFP. Any fifth-year extension is exercised at NJPA’s discretion and results from NJPA’s contracting needs or from Member requests; this extension is not intended merely to accommodate an awarded Vendor’s request. If NJPA grants a fifth-year extension, it may also terminate the contract (or cause it to expire) within the fifth year if the extended contract is replaced by a resolicited or newly solicited contract. In exigent circumstances, NJPA may petition NJPA’s Board of Directors to extend the contract term beyond five years. This rarely used procedure should be employed only to avoid a gap in contract coverage while a replacement contract is being solicited;

3.11.2 Offer and apply any applicable technological advances throughout the term of a contract resulting from this RFP;
3.11.3 Deliver “Value Added” aspects of the company, equipment/products and services as defined in the “Proposer’s Response”;

3.11.4 Deliver a wide spectrum of solutions to meet the needs and requirements of NJPA and NJPA Member agencies; and

3.11.5 Award an exclusive contract to the most responsive and responsible vendor when it is deemed to be in the best interest of NJPA and the NJPA Member agencies.

3.12 Exclusive or Multiple Awards: Based on the scope of this RFP and on the responses received, NJPA may award either an exclusive contract or multiple contracts. In some circumstances, a single national supplier may best meet the needs of NJPA Members; in other situations, multiple vendors may be in the best interests of NJPA and the NJPA Members and preferred by NJPA to provide the widest array of solutions to meet the member agency’s needs. NJPA retains sole discretion to determine which approach is in the best interests of NJPA Member agencies.

3.13 Non-Manufacturer Awards: NJPA reserves the right to make an award under this RFP to a non-manufacturer or dealer/distributor if such action is in the best interests of NJPA and its Members.

3.14 Manufacturer as a Proposer: If the Proposer is a manufacturer or wholesale distributor, the response received will be evaluated on the basis of a response made in conjunction with that manufacturer’s authorized dealer network. Unless stated otherwise, a manufacturer or wholesale distributor Proposer is assumed to have a documented relationship with their dealer network where that dealer network is informed of, and authorized to accept, purchase orders pursuant to any Contract resulting from this RFP on behalf of the manufacturer or wholesale distributor Proposer. Any such dealer will be considered a sub-contractor of the Proposer/Vendor. The relationship between the manufacturer and wholesale distributor Proposer and its dealer network may be proposed at the time of the submission if that fact is properly identified.

3.15 Dealer/Reseller as a Proposer: If the Proposer is a dealer or reseller of the products and/or services being proposed, the response will be evaluated based on the Proposer’s authorization to provide those products and services from their manufacturer. When requested by NJPA, Proposers must document their authority to offer those products and/or services.

E. SCOPE OF THIS RFP

3.16 Scope: The scope of this RFP is to award a contract to a qualifying vendor defined as a manufacturer, provider, or dealer/distributor, established as a Proposer, and deemed responsive and responsible through our open and competitive proposal process. Vendors will be awarded contracts based on the proposal and responders demonstrated ability to meet the expectations of the RFP and demonstrate the overall highest valued solutions which meet and/or exceed the current and future needs and requirements of NJPA and its Member agencies nationally within the scope of |VEHICLES, CARS, VANS, SUVs, AND LIGHT TRUCKS WITH RELATED EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES, AND SERVICES|.

3.17 Additional Scope Definitions: For purposes of the scope of this solicitation:

3.17.1 In addition to |VEHICLES, CARS, VANS, SUVs, AND LIGHT TRUCKS WITH RELATED EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES, AND SERVICES|, this solicitation should be read to include, but not to be limited to:

3.17.1.1 Automobile Category: mini, subcompact, compact, coupe, sedan, gas, diesel, hybrid, electric, alternative fuel

Utility Category: two-wheel drive, four-wheel drive, gas, diesel, hybrid, electric, alternative fuel

Van Category: cargo, passenger, gas, diesel, hybrid, electric, alternative fuel
Police, Safety and Rescue Category: mini, subcompact, compact, coupe, sedan, van, utility, truck, motorcycle, gas, diesel, hybrid, electric, alternative fuel
Truck Category: half ton, three-quarter ton, one ton, gas, diesel, hybrid, electric, alternative fuel.

3.17.2 NJPA reserves the right to limit the scope of this solicitation for NJPA and current and potential NJPA member agencies.

3.17.2.1 RFP respondents may include in their response vehicles that are larger than the vehicles listed in Section 3.17.1.1 above, provided that these offerings are merely complementary to the respondent’s primary offering.

Respondents may include “related equipment, accessories, and services” in their response to the extent that these solutions are an incidental portion of their proposal. The primary focus of this solicitation is on vehicles, cars, vans, SUVs, and light trucks and not on a respondent’s ability to provide turnkey solutions by upfitting for a particular purpose.

This RFP should NOT be construed to include responses that contain school buses or city transit vehicles. Any portions of a response including such solutions will be disregarded.

3.18 Overlap of Scope: When considering equipment/products/services, or groups of equipment/products/services submitted as a part of your response, and whether inclusion of such will fall within a “Scope of Proposal,” please consider the validity of an inverse statement.

3.18.1 For example, pencils and post-it-notes can generally be classified as office supplies and office supplies generally include pencils and post-it-notes.

3.18.2 In contrast, computers (PCs and peripherals) can generally be considered office supplies; however, the scope of office supplies does not generally include computer servers and infrastructure.

3.18.3 In conclusion: With this in mind, individual products and services must be examined individually by NJPA, from time to time and in its sole discretion, to determine their compliance and fall within the original “Scope” as intended by NJPA.

3.19 Best and Most Responsive – Responsible Proposer: It is the intent of NJPA to award a Contract to the best and most responsible and responsive Proposer(s) offering the best overall quality and selection of equipment/products and services meeting the commonly requested specifications of the NJPA and NJPA Members, provided the Proposer’s Response has been submitted in accordance with the requirements of this RFP. Qualifying Proposers who are able to anticipate the current and future needs and requirements of NJPA and NJPA member agencies; demonstrate the knowledge of any and all applicable industry standards, laws and regulations; and possess the willingness and ability to distribute, market to and service NJPA Members in all 50 states are preferred. NJPA requests proposers submit their entire product line as it applies and relates to the scope of this RFP.

3.20 Sealed Proposals: NJPA will receive sealed proposal responses to this RFP in accordance with accepted standards set forth in the Minnesota Procurement Code and Uniform Municipal Contracting Law. Awards may be made to responsible and responsive Proposers whose proposals are determined in writing to be the most advantageous to NJPA and its current or qualifying future NJPA Member agencies.

3.21 Use of Contract: Any Contract resulting from this solicitation shall be awarded with the understanding that it is for the sole convenience of NJPA and its Members. NJPA and/or its members reserve the right to
obtain like equipment/products and services solely from this contract or from another contract source of 
their choice or from a contract resulting from their own procurement process.

3.22 Awarded Vendor’s interest in a contract resulting from this RFP: Awarded Vendors will be able 
to offer to NJPA, and current and potential NJPA Members, only those products/equipment and services 
specifically awarded on their NJPA Awarded Contract(s). Awarded Vendors may not offer as “contract 
compliant,” products/equipment and services which are not specifically identified and priced in their NJPA 
Awarded Contract.

3.23 Sole Source of Responsibility- NJPA desires a “Sole Source of Responsibility” Vendor. This means 
that the Vendor will take sole responsibility for the performance of delivered equipment/products/services. 
NJPA also desires sole responsibility with regard to:

3.23.1 Scope of Equipment/Products/Services: NJPA desires a provider for the broadest possible 
scope of products/equipment and services being proposed over the largest possible geographic area 
and to the largest possible cross-section of NJPA current and potential Members.

3.23.2 Vendor use of sub-contractors in sourcing or delivering equipment/product/services: NJPA 
desires a single source of responsibility for equipment/products and services proposed. Proposers are 
assumed to have sub-contractor relationships with all organizations and individuals whom are external to 
the Proposer and are involved in providing or delivering the equipment/products/services being proposed. 
Vendor assumes all responsibility for the equipment/products/services and actions of any such Sub-
Contractor. Suggested Solutions Options include:

3.24.1 Multiple solutions to the needs of NJPA and NJPA Members are possible. Examples could 
include:

3.24.1.1 Equipment/Products Only Solution: Equipment/Products Only Solution may be 
appropriate for situations where NJPA or NJPA Members possess the ability, either in-
house or through local third party contractors, to properly install and bring to operation 
those equipment/products being proposed.

3.24.1.2 Turn-Key Solutions: A Turn-Key Solution is a combination of 
equipment/products and services that provides a single price for equipment/products, 
delivery, and installation to a properly operating status. Generally this is the most desirable 
solution because NJPA and NJPA Members may not possess, or desire to engage, 
personnel with the necessary expertise to complete these tasks internally or through other 
independent contractors

3.24.1.3 Good, Better, Best: Where appropriate and properly identified, Proposers may 
offer the choice “of good, better, best” multiple-grade solutions to meet NJPA Members’ 
needs.

3.24.1.4 Proven – Accepted – Leading-Edge Technology: Where appropriate and 
properly identified, Proposers may provide a spectrum of technology solutions to 
complement or enhance the proposed solutions to meet NJPA Members’ needs.

3.24.2 If applicable, Contracts will be awarded to Proposer(s) able to deliver a proposal meeting 
the entire needs of NJPA and its Members within the scope of this RFP. NJPA prefers Proposers 
submit their complete product line of products and services described in the scope of this RFP. 
NJPA reserves the right to reject individual, or groupings of specific equipment/products and 
services proposals as a part of the award.
3.25 Geographic Area to be Proposed: This RFP invites proposals to provide VEHICLES, CARS, VANS, SUVs, AND LIGHT TRUCKS WITH RELATED EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES, AND SERVICES to NJPA and NJPA Members throughout the entire United States and possibly internationally. Proposers will be expected to express willingness to explore service to NJPA Members located abroad; however, the lack of ability to serve Members outside of the United States will not be cause for non-award. The ability and willingness to serve Canada, for instance, will be viewed as a value-added attribute.

3.26 Contract Term: At NJPA’s option, a Contract resulting from this RFP will become effective either on the date awarded by the NJPA Board of Directors or on the day following the expiration date of an existing NJPA procurement contract for the same or similar product/equipment and services.

3.26.1 NJPA is seeking a Contract base term of four years as allowed by Minnesota Contracting Law. Full term is expected. However, one additional one-year renewal/extension may be offered by NJPA to Vendor beyond the original four year term if NJPA deems such action to be in the best interests of NJPA and its Members. NJPA reserves the right to conduct periodic business reviews throughout the term of the contract.

3.27 Minimum Contract Value: NJPA anticipates considerable activity resulting from this RFP and subsequent award; however, no commitment of any kind is made concerning actual quantities to be acquired. NJPA does not guarantee usage. Usage will depend on the actual needs of the NJPA Members and the value of the awarded contract.

3.28 [This section is intentionally blank.]

3.29 Contract Availability: This Contract must be available to all current and potential NJPA Members who choose to utilize this NJPA Contract to include all governmental and public agencies, public and private primary and secondary education agencies, and all non-profit organizations nationally.

3.30 Proposer’s Commitment Period: In order to allow NJPA the opportunity to evaluate each proposal thoroughly, NJPA requires any response to this solicitation be valid and irrevocable for ninety (90) days after the date proposals are opened.

F. EXPECTATIONS FOR EQUIPMENT/PRODUCTS AND SERVICES BEING PROPOSED

3.31 Industry Standards: Except as contained herein, the specifications or solutions for this RFP shall be those accepted guidelines set forth by the VEHICLES, CARS, VANS, SUVs, AND LIGHT TRUCKS WITH RELATED EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES, AND SERVICES industry, as they are generally understood and accepted within that industry across the nation. Submitted products/equipment, related services and accessories, and their warranties and assurances are required to meet and/or exceed all current, traditional and anticipated standards, needs, expectations, and requirements of NJPA and its Members.

3.31.1 Deviations from industry standards must be identified by the Proposer and explained how, in their opinion, the equipment/products and services they propose will render equivalent functionality, coverage, performance, and/or related services. Failure to detail all such deviations may comprise sufficient grounds for rejection of the entire proposal.

3.31.2 Technical Descriptions/Specifications. Excessive technical descriptions and specifications that unduly enlarge the proposal response may cause NJPA to reduce the evaluation points awarded on Form G. Proposers must supply sufficient information to:

3.31.2.1 demonstrate the Proposer’s knowledge of industry standards and Member agency needs and expectations;
3.31.2.2 identify the equipment/products and services being proposed as applicable to the needs and expectations of NJPA Member agencies; and

3.31.2.3 differentiate equipment/products and services from other industry manufacturers and providers.

3.32 New Current Model Equipment/Products: Proposals submitted shall be for new, current model equipment/products and services with the exception of certain close-out products allowed to be offered on the Proposer’s “Hot List” described herein.

3.33 Compliance with laws and standards: All items supplied on this Contract shall comply with any current applicable safety or regulatory standards or codes.

3.34 Delivered and operational: Products/equipment offered herein are to be proposed based upon being delivered and operational at the NJPA Member’s site. Exceptions to “delivered and operational” must be clearly disclosed in the “Total Cost of Acquisition” section of the proposal.

3.35 Warranty: The Proposer warrants that all products, equipment, supplies, and services delivered under this Contract shall be covered by the industry standard or better warranty. All products and equipment should carry a minimum industry standard manufacturer’s warranty that includes materials and labor. The Proposer has the primary responsibility to submit product specific warranty as required and accepted by industry standards. Dealer/Distributors agree to assist the purchaser in reaching a solution in a dispute over warranty’s terms with the manufacturer. Any manufacturer’s warranty that is effective past the expiration of the warranty will be passed on to the NJPA member. Failure to submit a minimum warranty may result in non-award.

3.36 Additional Warrants: The Proposer warrants that all products/equipment and related services furnished hereunder will be free from liens and encumbrances; defects in design, materials, and workmanship; and will conform in all respects to the terms of this RFP including any specifications or standards. In addition, Proposer/Vendor warrants the products/equipment and related services are suitable for and will perform in accordance with the ordinary use for which they are intended.

G. SOLUTIONS-BASED SOLICITATION

3.37 The NJPA solicitation and contract award process is not based on detailed specifications. Instead, this RFP is a “Solutions-Based Solicitation.” NJPA expects respondents to understand and anticipate the current and future needs of NJPA and its members—within the scope of this RFP—and to propose solutions that are commonly desired or required by law or industry standards. Proposal will be evaluated in part on your demonstrated ability to meet or exceed the needs and requirements of NJPA and our member agencies within the defined scope of this RFP.

3.38 While NJPA does not typically provide product and service specifications, the RFP may contain scope refinements and industry-specific questions. Where specific items are specified, those items should be considered the minimum required, which the proposal can exceed in order to meet Members’ needs. NJPA may award all of the respondent’s proposal or may limit the award to a subset of the proposal.

4 INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARING YOUR PROPOSAL

A. INQUIRY PERIOD

4.1 The inquiry period begins on the date of first advertisement and continues until to the Deadline for Submission.” RFP packages will be distributed to potential Vendors during the inquiry period.

B. PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE
4.2 A pre-proposal conference will be held at the date and time specified in the timeline on page one of this RFP. Conference information will be sent to all potential Proposers, and attendance is optional. The purpose of this conference is to allow potential Proposers to ask questions regarding this RFP and NJPA’s competitive contracting process. Only answers issued in writing by NJPA to questions asked before or during the pre-proposal conference are binding on the parties to an awarded contract.

C. IDENTIFICATION OF KEY PERSONNEL

4.3 Awarded Vendors will designate one senior staff member to represent the Vendor to NJPA. This contact person will correspond with members for technical assistance, questions, or concerns that may arise, including instructions regarding different contacts for different geographical areas or product lines.

4.4 These designated individuals should also act as the primary contact for marketing, sales, and any other area deemed essential by the Proposer and NJPA.

D. PROPOSER’S EXCEPTIONS TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS

4.5 Any exceptions, deviations, or contingencies regarding this RFP that a Proposer requests must be documented on Form C, Exceptions To Proposal, Terms, Conditions And Solutions Request.

4.6 Exceptions, deviations or contingencies requested in the Proposer’s response, while possibly necessary in the view of the Proposer, may result in lower scoring or disqualification of a proposal.

E. PROPOSAL FORMAT

4.7 All Proposers must examine the entire RFP package to seek clarification of any item or requirement that may not be clear and to check all responses for accuracy before submitting a proposal.

4.8 All proposals must be properly labeled and sent to “The National Joint Powers Alliance, 202 12th Street NE Staples, MN 56479.”

4.9 All proposals must be physically delivered to NJPA at the above address with all required hard copy documents and signature forms/pages inserted as loose pages at the front of the Vendor’s response. The proposal must include these items:

   4.9.1 Hard copy original of completed, signed, and dated Forms C, D, F; hard copy of the signed signature-page only from Forms A and P from this RFP;

   4.9.2 Signed hard copies of all addenda issued for the RFP;

   4.9.3 Hard copy of Certificate of Insurance verifying the coverage identified in this RFP; and

   4.9.4 A complete copy of your response on a flash drive (or other approved electronic means). The electronic copy must contain completed Forms A, B, C, D, F, and P, your statement of products and pricing (including apparent discount), and all appropriate attachments. In order to ensure that your full response is evaluated, you must provide an electronic version of any material that you provide in a hard copy format.

As a public agency, NJPA’s proposals, responses, and awarded contracts are a matter of public record, except for such data that is classified as nonpublic. Accordingly, public data is available for review through a properly submitted public records request. To redact nonpublic information from your proposal (under Minnesota Statute §13.37), you must make your request within thirty (30) days of the contract award or non-award date.
4.10 All Proposal forms must be submitted in English and must be legible. All appropriate forms must be executed by an authorized signatory of the Proposer. Blue ink is preferred for signatures.

4.11 Proposal submissions should be submitted using the electronic forms provided. Proposers that use alternative documents are responsible for ensuring that the content is substantially similar to the NJPA form and that the document is readable by NJPA.

4.12 The Proposer must ensure that the proposal is in the physical possession of NJPA before the submission deadline.

4.12.1 Proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope or box properly addressed to NJPA and prominently identifying the proposal number, proposal category name, the message "Hold for Proposal Opening," and the deadline for proposal submission. NJPA is not responsible for untimely proposals. Proposals received by the deadline for proposal submission will be opened and the name of each Proposer and other appropriate information will be publicly read.

4.13 Proposers are responsible for checking directly with the NJPA website for any addendums to this RFP. Addendums to this RFP can change the terms and conditions of the RFP, including the proposal submission deadline.

F. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THIS RFP

4.14 Upon examination of this RFP document, Proposer should promptly notify NJPA of any ambiguity, inconsistency, or error they may discover. Interpretations, corrections, and changes to this RFP will be considered by NJPA through a written addendum. Interpretations, corrections, or changes that are made in any other manner are not binding, and Proposers must not rely on them.

4.15 Submit all questions about this RFP, in writing, referencing VEHICLES, CARS, VANS, SUVs, AND LIGHT TRUCKS WITH RELATED EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES, AND SERVICES to Jonathan Yahn at NJPA 202 12th Street NE, Staples, MN 56479 or to RFP@njpacoop.org. You may also call Jonathan Yahn at (218) 895-4144. NJPA urges potential Proposers to communicate all concerns well in advance of the submission deadline to avoid misunderstandings. Questions received within seven (7) days before the submission deadline generally cannot be answered. NJPA may, however, field purely procedural questions, questions about NJPA-issued addenda, or questions involving a Proposer withdrawing its response before the RFP submission deadline.

4.16 If NJPA deems that its answer to a question has a material impact on other potential Proposers or on the RFP itself, NJPA will create an addendum to this RFP.

4.17 If NJPA deems that its answer to a question merely clarifies the existing terms and conditions and does not have a material impact on other potential Proposers or the RFP itself, no further documentation of that question is required.

4.18 Addenda are written instruments issued by NJPA that modify or interpret the RFP. All addenda issued by NJPA become a part of the RFP. Addenda will be delivered to all Potential Proposers using the same method of delivery of the original RFP material. NJPA accepts no liability in connection with the delivery of any addenda. Copies of addenda will also be made available on the NJPA website at www.njpacoop.org (under "Current and Pending Solicitations") and from the NJPA offices. All Proposers must acknowledge their receipt of all addenda in their proposal response.

4.19 Any amendment to a submitted proposal must be in writing and must be delivered to NJPA by the RFP submission deadline.

4.20 through 4.21 [These sections are intentionally blank.]
G. MODIFICATION OR WITHDRAWAL OF A SUBMITTED PROPOSAL

4.22 A submitted proposal must not be modified, withdrawn, or cancelled by the Proposer for a period of ninety (90) days following the date proposals were opened. Before the deadline for submission of proposals, any proposal submitted may be modified or withdrawn by notice to the NJPA Contracts and Compliance Manager. Such notice must be submitted in writing and must include the signature of the Proposer. The notice must be delivered to NJPA before the deadline for submission of proposals and must be so worded as not to reveal the content of the original proposal. The original proposal will not be physically returned to the potential Proposer until after the official proposal opening. Withdrawn proposals may be resubmitted up to the time designated for the receipt of the proposals if they fully conform with the proposal instructions.

H. PROPOSAL OPENING PROCEDURE

4.23 Sealed and properly identified responses for this RFP entitled [VEHICLES, CARS, VANS, SUVs, AND LIGHT TRUCKS WITH RELATED EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES, AND SERVICES] will be received by Jonathan Yahm, Contracts and Compliance Manager, at NJPA Offices, 202 12th Street NE, Staples, MN 56479 until the deadline identified on page one of this RFP. All Proposal responses must be submitted in a sealed package. The outside of the package must plainly identify [VEHICLES, CARS, VANS, SUVs, AND LIGHT TRUCKS WITH RELATED EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES, AND SERVICES] and the RFP number. To avoid premature opening, the Proposer must label the Proposal response properly. NJPA documents the receipt of proposals by immediately time- and date-stamping them with an atomic clock. At the time of the public opening, the NJPA Director of Contracts and Marketing or a representative from the NJPA Proposal Evaluation Committee will read the Proposer's names aloud and will determine whether each submission has met Level-1 responsiveness.

I. NJPA'S RIGHTS RESERVED

4.24 NJPA may exercise the following rights with regard to the RFP.

4.24.1 Reject any and all proposals received in response to this RFP;

4.24.2 Disqualify any Proposer whose conduct or proposal fails to conform to the requirements of this RFP;

4.24.3 Duplicate without limitation all materials submitted for purposes of RFP evaluation, and duplicate all public information in response to data requests regarding the proposal;

4.24.4 Consider and accept for evaluation a late modification of a proposal if 1) the proposal itself was submitted on time, 2) the modifications were requested by NJPA, and 3) the modifications make the terms of the proposal more favorable to NJPA or its members;

4.24.5 Waive any non-material deviations from the requirements and procedures of this RFP;

4.24.6 Extend the Contract, in increments determined by NJPA, not to exceed a total Contract term of five years;

4.24.7 Cancel the Request for Proposal at any time and for any reason with no cost or penalty to NJPA;

4.24.8 Correct or amend the RFP at any time with no cost or penalty to NJPA. If NJPA corrects or amends any segment of the RFP after submission of proposals and before the announcement of the awarded Vendor, all proposers will be afforded a reasonable opportunity to revise their proposals in order to accommodate the RFP amendment and the new submission dates. NJPA will not be liable for any errors in the RFP or other responses related to the RFP; and
Extend proposal due dates.

PRICING

NIPA requests that potential Proposers respond to this RFP only if they are able to offer a wide array of products and services at lower prices and with better value than what they would ordinarily offer to a single government agency, a school district, or a regional cooperative.

This RFP requests pricing for an indefinite quantity of products or related services with potential national sales distribution and service. While most RFP categories represent significant sales opportunities, NIPA makes no guarantees about the quantity of products or services that members will purchase. The estimated annual value of this contract is $150 Million. Vendors are expected to anticipate additional volume of potential government, education and non-profit agencies that would find value in a NIPA national contract awarded by NJPA.

Regardless of the payment method selected by NJPA or an NJPA member, the total cost associated with any purchase option of the products and services must always be disclosed in the proposal and at the time of purchase.

All proposers must submit “Primary Pricing” in the form of either “Line-Item Pricing,” or “Percentage Discount from Catalog Pricing,” or a combination of these pricing strategies. Proposers are also encouraged to offer optional pricing strategies such as “Hot List,” “Sourced Products,” and “Volume Discounts,” as well as financing options such as leasing. All pricing documents should include a clear effective date.

A. LINE-ITEM PRICING

Line-item pricing is a pricing format in which individual products or services are offered at specific Contract prices. Products or services are individually priced and described by characteristics such as manufacture name, stock or part number, size, or functionality. This method of pricing may offer the least amount of confusion, but Proposers with a large number of items may find this method cumbersome. In these situations, a percentage discount from catalog or category pricing model may make more sense and may increase the clarity of the contract pricing format.

All line-item pricing items must be numbered, organized, sectioned (including SKUs, when applicable), and prepared to be easily understood by the Evaluation Committee and members.

Submit Line-Item Pricing items in an Excel spreadsheet format and include all appropriate identification information necessary to discern the line item from other line items in each Responder’s proposal.

Line-item pricing must be submitted to NJPA in a searchable spreadsheet format (e.g., Microsoft® Excel®) in order to facilitate quickly finding any particular item of interest. For that reason, Proposers are responsible for providing the appropriate product and service identification information along with the pricing information that is typically found on an invoice or price quote for such product or services.

All products or services typically appearing on an invoice or price quote must be individually priced and identified on the line-item price sheet, including any and all ancillary costs.

Proposers should provide both a published “List Price” as well as a “Proposed Contract Price” in their pricing matrix. Published List Price will be the standard “quantity of one” price currently available to government and educational customers, excluding cooperative and volume discounts.

B. PERCENTAGE DISCOUNT FROM CATALOG OR CATEGORY

This pricing model involves a specific percentage discount from a catalog or list price, defined as a published Manufacturer’s Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) for the products or services being proposed.
5.12 Individualized percentage discounts can be applied to any number of defined product groupings.

5.13 A percentage discount from MSRP may be applied to all elements identified in MSRP, including all manufacturer options applicable to the products or services.

5.14 When a Proposer elects to use “Percentage Discount from Catalog or Category,” Proposer will be responsible for providing and maintaining current published MSRP with NJPA, and this pricing must be included in its proposal and provided throughout the term of any Contract resulting from this RFP.

C. COST PLUS A PERCENTAGE OF COST

5.15 “Cost plus a percentage of cost” as a primary pricing mechanism is not desirable. It is, however, acceptable for pricing sourced goods or services.

D. HOT LIST PRICING

5.16 Where applicable, a Vendor may opt to offer a specific selection of products or services, defined as “Hot List” pricing, at greater discounts than those listed in the standard Contract pricing. All product and service pricing, including the Hot List Pricing, must be submitted electronically in a format that is acceptable to NJPA. Hot List pricing must be submitted in a line-item format. Products and services may be added or removed from the Hot List at any time through an NJPA Price and Product Change Form.

5.17 Hot List program and pricing may also be used to discount and liquidate close-out and discontinued products and services as long as those close-out and discontinued items are clearly labeled as such. Current ordering process and administrative fees apply. This option must be published and made available to all NJPA Members.

E. CEILING PRICE

5.18 Proposal pricing is to be established as a ceiling price. At no time may the proposed products or services be offered under this Contract at prices above this ceiling price without a specific request and approval by NJPA. Contract prices may be reduced at any time, for example, to reflect volume discounts or to meet the needs of an NJPA Member.

5.19 [This section is intentionally blank.]

F. VOLUME PRICE DISCOUNTS / ADDITIONAL QUANTITIES

5.20 through 5.23 [These sections are intentionally blank.]

G. TOTAL COST OF ACQUISITION

5.24 The Total Cost of Acquisition for the equipment/products and related services being proposed, including those payable by NJPA Members to either the Proposer or a third party, is the cost of the proposed equipment/products product/equipment and related services delivered and operational for its intended purpose in the end-user’s location. For example, if you are proposing equipment/products FOB Proposer’s dock, your proposal should reflect that the contract pricing does not provide for delivery beyond Proposer’s dock, nor any set-up activities or costs associated with those delivery or set-up activities. Any additional costs for delivery and set-up should be clearly disclosed. In contrast, a proposal could state that there are no additional costs of acquisition if the product is delivered to and operational at the end-user’s location.

H. SOURCED GOOD or OPEN MARKET ITEM
5.24 A Sourced Good or an Open Market Item is a product that a member wants to buy under contract that is not currently available under the Vendor’s NJPA contract. This method of procurement can be satisfied through a contract sourcing process. Sourcing options serve to provide a more complete contract solution to meet our members’ needs. Sourced items are generally deemed incidental to the total transaction or purchase of contract items.

5.26 NJPA or NJPA Members may request products, equipment, and related services that are within the related scope of this RFP, even if they are not included in an awarded Vendor’s line-item price list or catalog. These items are known as Sourced Goods or Open Market Items.

5.27 An awarded Vendor may source such items to the extent that the items are identified as “Sourced Products/Equipment” or “Open Market Items” on any quotation issued in reference to an NJPA awarded contract, and that this information is provided to either NJPA or an NJPA Member. NJPA is not responsible for determining whether a Sourced Good is an incidental portion of the overall purchase or whether a Member is able to consider a Sourced Good a purchase under an NJPA contract.

5.28 “Cost plus a percentage” pricing is an acceptable option in pricing of Sourced Goods.

I. PRODUCT & PRICE CHANGES

5.29 Awarded Vendors may request product or service changes, additions, or deletions at any time throughout the contract term. All requests must be made in written format by completing the NJPA Price and Product Change Request Form (located at the end of this RFP and on the NJPA website), signed by an authorized Vendor representative. All changes are subject to review and approval by NJPA. Submit your requests through email to your assigned Contract Manager and to PandP@njpacoop.org.

5.30 NJPA will determine whether the request is both within the scope of the original RFP and in the best interests of NJPA and NJPA Members. Approved Price and Product Change Request Forms will be returned to the Vendor contact through email.

5.31 The Vendor must 1) complete this change request form and individually list or attach all items subject to change, 2) provide a sufficiently detailed explanation and documentation for the change, and 3) include a compete restatement of pricing document in appropriate format (preferably Excel). The pricing document must identify all products and services being offered and must conform to the following NJPA product and price change naming convention: (Vendor Name) (NJPA Contract #) (effective pricing date); for example, “COMPANY 012411-CPY effective 02-12-2016.”

5.32 The new pricing restatement must include all products and services offered, even for those items whose pricing remains unchanged, and must include a new effective date on the pricing documents. This requirement reduces confusion by providing a single, current pricing sheet for each vendor and creates a historical record of pricing.

5.33 ADDITIONS. New products and related services may be added to a Contract resulting from this RFP at any time during that Contract term to the extent that those products and related services are within the scope of this RFP. Allowable new products and related services generally include updated models of products and enhanced services that reflect new technology and improved functionality.

5.34 DELETIONS. New products and related services may be deleted from a contract if an item is no longer available.

5.35 PRICE CHANGES. A Vendor may request pricing changes by providing reasonable justification for the change. For example, a request for a 3% increase in a product line that relies heavily on petroleum products may be reasonable if the raw cost of required petroleum products has increased substantially. Conversely, a request for a 3% increase in prices based only on a 3% increase in a cost-of-living index may be considered unreasonable. Although NJPA is sensitive to the possibility of fluctuations in raw material
costs, prospective Vendors should make every reasonable attempt to account for normal cost changes by proposing pricing that will be effective throughout the duration of the four-year Contract.

5.35.1 **Price decreases:** NJPA expects Vendors to propose their very best prices and anticipates price reductions that are due to advancement in technology and marketplace efficiencies.

5.35.2 **Price increases:** A Vendor must include reasonable documentation for price-increase requests, along with both current and proposed pricing. Appropriate documentation should be attached to the Price and Product Change Request Form, including letters from suppliers announcing price increases. Price increases must not exceed the industry standard.

5.36 through 5.37 [These sections are intentionally blank.]

5.38 Proposers representing multiple manufacturers, or carrying multiple related product lines may also request the addition of new manufacturers or product lines to their Contract to the extent they remain within the scope of this RFP.

5.39 through 5.43 [These sections are intentionally blank.]

K. SALES TAX

5.44 Sales and other taxes should not be included in the prices quoted. The Vendor will charge state and local sales and other applicable taxes on items for which a valid tax-exemption certification has not been provided. Each NJPA Member is responsible for providing verification of tax-exempt status to the Vendor. When ordering, NJPA Members must indicate that they are tax-exempt entities. Except as set forth herein, no party is responsible for taxes imposed on another party as a result of or arising from the transactions under a Contract resulting from this RFP.

L. SHIPPING

5.45 Shipping costs can constitute a significant portion of the overall cost of procurement. Consequently, significant weight will be given to the quality of a prospective Vendor’s shipping program. Shipping charges should reasonably reflect the actual cost of shipping. NJPA understands that Vendors may use other shipping cost methods for simplicity or for transparency. But to the extent that shipping costs are determined to disproportionately increase a Vendor’s profit, NJPA may reduce the points awarded in the “Pricing” criteria.

5.46 through 5.47 [These sections are intentionally blank.]

5.48 All shipping and restocking fees must be identified in the price program. Certain industries providing made-to-order products may not allow returns. Proposals will be evaluated not only on the actual costs of shipping, but on the relative flexibility extended to NJPA Members relating to restocking fees, shipping errors, customized shipping requirements, the process for rejecting damaged or delayed shipments, and similar subjects.

5.49 through 5.50 [These sections are intentionally blank.]

5.51 Delivered products must be properly packaged. Damaged products may be rejected. If the damage is not readily apparent at the time of delivery, the Vendor must permit the products to be returned within a reasonable time at no cost to NJPA or NJPA Member. NJPA and NJPA Members reserve the right to inspect the products at a reasonable time subsequent to delivery where circumstances or conditions prevent effective inspection of the products at the time of delivery.

5.52 The Vendor must deliver Contract-conforming products in each shipment and may not substitute products without the express approval from NJPA or the NJPA Member.
NJPA reserves the right to declare a breach of Contract if the Vendor intentionally delivers substandard or inferior products that are not under Contract and described in its paper or electronic price lists or sourced upon request of any Member under this Contract. In the event of the delivery of nonconforming products, the NJPA Member will notify the Vendor as soon as possible and the Vendor will replace nonconforming products with conforming products that are acceptable to the NJPA member.

Throughout the term of the Contract, Proposer agrees to pay for return shipment on products that arrive in a defective or inoperable condition. Proposer must arrange for the return shipment of the damaged products.

EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS

A. PROPOSAL EVALUATION PROCESS

The NJPA proposal evaluation committee will evaluate proposals received based on a 1,000 point evaluation system. The committee establishes both the evaluation criteria and designates the relative weight of each criterion by assigning possible scores for each category on Form G of this RFP. The committee may adjust the relative weight of the criteria for each RFP. (For example, if the “Warranty” criterion does not apply to a particular RFP, the points normally awarded under “Warranty” may be used to increase the number of potential points in another evaluation category or categories.) The “Pricing” criterion will contain at least a plurality of points for every RFP.

NJPA uses a scoring system that gives primary importance to “Pricing.” But pricing includes more than just the absolute lowest initial cost of purchasing, for example, a particular product. Other considerations include the total cost of the acquisition and whether the Proposer’s offering represents the best value. The evaluation committee may consider such factors as life-cycle costs, total cost of ownership, quality, and the suitability of an offering in meeting NJPA Members’ needs. Pricing points may be awarded based on pricing clarity and ease of use. NJPA may also award points based on whether a response contains exceptions, exclusions, or limitations of liabilities.

The NJPA Board of Directors will consider making awards to the selected Proposer(s) based on the recommendations of the proposal evaluation committee. To qualify for the final evaluation, a Proposer must have been deemed responsive as a result of the criteria set forth under “Proposer Responsiveness,” found just below.

B. PROPOSER RESPONSIVENESS

All responses are evaluated for Level-One and Level-Two Responsiveness. If a response does not substantially conform to substantially all of the terms and conditions in the solicitation, or if it requires unreasonable exceptions, it may be considered nonresponsive.

All proposals must contain suitable responses to the questions in the proposal forms. The following requirements must be satisfied in order to meet Level-One Responsiveness, which is typically ascertained on the proposal opening date. If these standards are not met, your response may be disqualified as nonresponsive.

Level-One Responsiveness means that the response

1. is received before the deadline for submission or it will be returned unopened;

2. is properly addressed and identified as a sealed proposal with a specific RFP number and an opening date and time;
6.6.3 contains a pricing document (with apparent discounts) and all other forms fully completed, even if “not applicable” is the answer;

6.6.4 includes the original (hard copy) completed, dated, and signed RFP forms C, D, and F. In addition, the response must include the hard-copy signed signature page only from RFP Forms A and P and, if applicable, all signed addenda that have been issued in relation to this RFP;

6.6.5 contains an electronic (CD, flash drive, or other suitable) copy of the entire response; and

6.7 Level-Two Responsiveness (including whether the response is within the RFP’s scope) is determined while evaluating the remaining items listed under Proposal Evaluation Criteria below. These items are not arranged in order of importance. Each item draws from multiple questions, and a Proposer’s responses may affect scoring in multiple evaluation criteria. For example, the answers to Industry-Specific Questions may help determine scoring relative to a Proposer’s marketplace success, ability to sell and service nationwide, and financial strength. Any questions not answered without an explanation will likely result in a loss of points and may lead to a nonaward if the proposal evaluation committee cannot effectively review your response.

C. PROPOSAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

6.8 Forms A and P include a series of questions that address the following categories:

   6.8.1 Company Information and Financial Strength
   6.8.2 Industry Requirements and Marketplace Success
   6.8.3 Ability to Sell and Deliver Service Nationwide
   6.8.4 Marketing Plan
   6.8.5 Other Cooperative Procurement Contracts
   6.8.6 Value-Added Attributes
   6.8.7 Payment Terms and Financing Options
   6.8.8 Warranty
   6.8.9 Equipment/Products/Services
   6.8.10 Pricing and Delivery
   6.8.11 Industry-Specific Questions

6.9 [This section is intentionally blank.]

D. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

6.10 In evaluating RFP responses, NJPA has no obligation to consider information that is not provided in the Proposer’s response. NJPA may, however, consider additional information outside the Proposer’s response. This research may include such sources as the Proposer’s website, industry publications, listed references, and user interviews.

6.11 NJPA may organize RFP responses into separate classes or subcategories, depending on the range of responses. For example, NJPA might receive numerous submissions for “Widgets and Related Products and Services.” NJPA may organize these responses into subcategories, such as manufacturers of fully operational Widgets, manufacturers of component parts for Widgets, and providers of parts and service for Widgets. NJPA reserves the right to award Proposers in some or all of such subcategories without regard to the evaluation score given to Proposers in another subcategory. This specifically allows NJPA to award
Vendors that might not have, for instance, the breadth of products of Proposers in another subcategory, but that nonetheless meet a substantial and articulated need of NJPA Members.

6.12 [This section is intentionally blank.]

6.13 NJPA reserves the right to request and test equipment/products and related services and to seek clarification from Proposers. Before the Contract award, the Proposer must furnish the requested information within three (3) days (or within another agreed-to time frame) or provide an explanation for the delay along with a requested time frame for providing the requested information. Proposers must make reasonable efforts to supply test products promptly. All Proposer products remain the property of the Proposer, and NJPA will return such products after the evaluation process. NJPA may make provisional contract awards, subject to a Proposer’s proper response to a request for information or products.

6.14 A Proposer’s past performance under previously awarded contracts to schools, governmental agencies, and not-for-profit entities is relevant in evaluating a Proposer’s current response. Past performance includes the Proposer’s record of conforming to published specifications and to standards of good workmanship, as well as the Proposer’s history for reasonable and cooperative behavior and for commitment to Member satisfaction. Incumbency as an awarded Vendor does not, by itself, merit positive consideration for a future Contract award.

6.15 NJPA reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

E. COST COMPARISON

6.16 NJPA may use a variety of evaluation methods, including cost comparisons of specific products. NJPA reserves the right to use this process when the proposal evaluation committee determines that this will help to make a final determination.

6.17 This direct cost comparison process will award points for being low to high Proposer for each cost evaluation item selected. A “Market Basket” of identical (or substantially similar) equipment/products and related services may be selected by the proposal evaluation committee, and the unit cost will be used as a basis for determining the point value. NJPA will select the “Market Basket” from all appropriate product categories as determined by NJPA.

F. MARKETING PLAN

6.18 A Proposer’s marketing plan is a critical component of the RFP response. An awarded Vendor’s sales force will likely be the primary source of communication with NJPA Members and will directly affect the contract’s success. Marketing success depends on communicating the contract’s value, knowing the contract thoroughly, and communicating the proper use of contracted products and services to the end user. Much of the success and sales reward is a direct result of the commitment to the contract by the awarded Vendor’s sales teams. NJPA reserves the right to deem a Proposer Level-Two nonresponsive or not to award a contract based on an unacceptable or incomplete marketing plan.

6.19 NJPA marketing expectations include the following components.

6.19.1 An awarded Vendor must demonstrate the ability to deploy a national sales force or dealer network. The best RFP responses demonstrate the ability to sell, deliver, and service products through acceptable distribution channels to NJPA members in all 50 states. Proposers’ responses should fully demonstrate their sales and service capabilities, should outline their national sales force network (both numerically and geographically), and should describe their method of distribution of the offered products and related services. Service may be independent of the product sales pricing, but NJPA encourages related services to be a part of Proposers’ response. Despite its preference for awarding contracts to Vendors that demonstrate nationwide sales and service, NJPA reserves the right to award contracts that meet specific Member needs locally or regionally.
6.19.2 Proposers are invited to demonstrate their ability to successfully market, promote, and communicate the benefits of an NJPA contract to current and potential Members nationwide. NJPA desires a marketing plan that communicates the value of the contract to as many Members as possible.

6.19.3 Proposers are expected to be receptive to NJPA trainings. Awarded Vendors must provide an appropriate training venue for both management and the sales force. NJPA commits to providing training on all aspects of communicating the value of the awarded contract, including the authority of NJPA to offer the contract to its Members, the value and utility the contract delivers to NJPA Members, the scope of NJPA Membership, the authority of Members to use NJPA procurement contracts, the preferred marketing and sales methods, and the successful use of specific business sector strategies.

6.19.4 Awarded Vendors are expected to demonstrate a commitment to fully embrace the NJPA contract. Proposers should identify both the appropriate levels of sales management and sales force that will need to understand the value of the NJPA contract, as well as the internal procedures needed to deliver the appropriate messaging to NJPA Members. NJPA will provide a general schedule and a variety of methods describing when and how those individuals should be trained.

6.19.5 Proposers should outline their proposed involvement in promoting an NJPA contract through applicable industry trade show exhibits and related customer meetings. Proposers are encouraged to consider participation with NJPA at NJPA-endorsed national trade shows.

6.19.6 Proposers must exhibit the willingness and ability to actively market and develop contract-specific marketing materials including the following items.

6.19.6.1 Complete Marketing Plan. Proposers must submit a marketing plan outlining how they will launch the NJPA contract to current and potential NJPA Members. NJPA requires awarded Vendors to embrace and actively promote the contract in cooperation with the NJPA.

6.19.6.2 Printed Marketing Materials. Awarded Vendors will produce and maintain full color print advertisements in camera-ready electronic format, including company logos and contact information to be used in the NJPA directory and other approved marketing publications.

6.19.6.3 Contract announcements and advertisements. Proposers should outline in the marketing plan their anticipated contract announcements, advertisements in industry periodicals, and other direct or indirect marketing activities promoting the awarded NJPA contract.

6.19.6.4 Proposer’s Website. Proposers should identify how an awarded Contract will be displayed and linked on the Proposer’s website. An online shopping experience for NJPA Members is desired whenever possible.

6.19.7 An NJPA Vendor contract launch will be scheduled during a reasonable time frame after the award and held at the NJPA office in Staples, MN unless the Vendor and NJPA agree to a different location.

6.20 Proposer shall identify their commitment to develop a sales/communication process to facilitate NJPA membership and establish status of current and potential agencies/members. Proposer should further express their commitment to capturing sufficient member information as is deemed necessary by NJPA.
G. CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

6.21 Proposers must provide evidence of liability insurance coverage identified below in the form of a Certificate of Insurance (COI) or an ACORD binder form with their proposal. Upon an award issued under this RFP and before the execution of any commerce relating to such award, the awarded Vendor must provide verification, in the form of a Certificate of Insurance, identifying the coverage required below and identifying NJPA as a “Certificate Holder.” The Vendor must maintain such insurance coverage at its own expense throughout the term of any contract resulting from this solicitation.

6.22 Any exceptions or assumptions to the insurance requirements must be identified on Form C of this RFP. Exceptions and assumptions will be considered as part of the evaluation process. Any exceptions or assumptions that Proposers submit must be specific. If a Proposer does not include specific exceptions or assumptions when submitting the proposal, NJPA will typically not consider any additional exceptions or assumptions during the evaluation process. Upon contract award, the awarded Vendor must provide the Certificate of Insurance identifying the coverage as specified.

6.23 Insurance Liability Limits. The awarded Vendor must maintain, for the duration of its contract, $1.5 million in general liability insurance coverage or general liability insurance in conjunction with an umbrella for a total combined coverage of $1.5 million. Work on the Contract will not begin until after the awarded Vendor has submitted acceptable evidence of the required insurance coverage. Failure to maintain any required insurance coverage or an acceptable alternative method of insurance will be deemed a breach of contract.

6.23.1 Minimum Scope and Limits of Insurance. An awarded Vendor must provide coverage with limits of liability not less than those stated below. An excess liability policy or umbrella liability policy may be used to meet the minimum liability requirements provided that the coverage is written on a “following form” basis.

6.23.1.1 Commercial General Liability—Occurrence Form
Policy shall include bodily injury, property damage and broad form contractual liability and XCU coverage.

6.23.1.2 Each Occurrence $1,500,000

6.24 Insurance Requirements: The limits listed in this RFP are minimum requirements for this Contract and in no way limit any indemnity covenants contained in this Contract. NJPA does not warrant that the minimum limits contained herein are sufficient to protect the Vendor from liabilities that might arise out of the performance of the work under this Contract by the Vendor, its agents, representatives, employees, or subcontractors, and the Vendor is free to purchase additional insurance as may be determined necessary.

6.25 Acceptability of Insurers: Insurance is to be placed with insurers duly licensed or authorized to do business in the State of Minnesota and with an “A.M. Best” rating of not less than A- VII. NJPA does not warrant that the above required minimum insurer rating is sufficient to protect the Vendor from potential insurer solvency.

6.26 Subcontractors: Vendors’ certificate(s) must include all subcontractors as additional insureds under its policies, or the Vendor must furnish to NJPA separate certificates for each subcontractor. All coverage for subcontractors are be subject to the minimum requirements identified above.

H. ORDER PROCESS AND/OR FUNDS FLOW

6.27 NJPA Members typically issue a purchase order directly to a Vendor under a Contract resulting from this RFP. Alternatively, a separate contract may be created to facilitate acquiring products or services offered in response to this RFP. Nothing in this Contract restricts the Member and Vendor from agreeing
to add terms or conditions to a purchase order or a separate contract provided that such terms or conditions must not be less favorable to NJPA’s Members.

6.28 [This section is intentionally blank.]

I. ADMINISTRATIVE FEES

6.29 Vendors will pay to NJPA an administrative fee in exchange for NJPA facilitating this Contract with its current and potential Members. NJPA may grant a conditional contract award to a Proposer if the proposed administrative fee is unclear, inadequate, or unduly burdensome for NJPA to administer. Sales under this Contract should not be processed until the parties resolve the administrative fee issue.

6.29.1 The administrative fee is typically calculated as a percentage of the dollar volume of all products and services by NJPA Members under this Contract, including anything represented to NJPA Members as falling under this Contract.

6.29.2 The administrative fee is included in, and not added to, the pricing included in Proposer’s response to the RFP. Awarded Vendors must not charge NJPA Members more that permitted in the then current price list in order to offset the administrative fee.

6.29.3 The administrative fee is designed to cover the costs of NJPA’s involvement in contract management, facilitating marketing efforts, Vendor training, and any order processing tasks relating to the Contract. Administrative fees may also be used for other purposes as allowed by Minnesota law.

6.29.4 The typical administrative fee under this Contract is two percent (2%). While NJPA does not dictate the particular fee percentage, we require that the Proposer articulate a specific fee in its response. For example, merely stating that “we agree to pay an administrative fee” is considered nonresponsive. NPJA acknowledges that the administrative fee percentage may differ between vendors, industries, and responses.

6.29.5 NJPA awarded Vendors are responsible for paying the administrative fee at least quarterly and for generating all related reporting. Vendors agree to cooperate with NJPA in auditing these reports to ensure that the administrative fee is paid on all items purchased under the Contract.

6.29.6 For Texas motor vehicle sales, the administrative fee cannot be based on the amount purchased by a member under the contract. Accordingly, the administrative fee in such cases will be $400 per purchase order (PO), irrespective of the number of vehicles included in the PO.

6.30 through 6.32 [This section is intentionally blank.]

J. VALUE-ADDED ATTRIBUTES

6.33 Desirability of Value-Added Attributes: Value-added attributes in an RFP response will be given positive consideration in NJPA’s evaluation process. Such attributes may increase the benefit of a product or service by improving functionality, performance, maintenance, manufacturing, delivery, energy efficiency, ordering, or other items while remaining within the scope of this RFP.

6.34 Women and Minority Business Enterprise (WMBE), Small Business, and Other Favored Businesses: Some NJPA Members give formal preference to certain types of vendors or contractors. Proposers should document WMBE (or other) status for both their organization and for any affiliates (e.g., supplier networks) involved in fulfilling the terms of this RFP. The ability of a Proposer to provide preferred business entity “credits” to NJPA and NJPA Members under a Contract will be evaluated positively by NJPA and reflected in the “value added” area of the evaluation.
6.35 Environmentally Preferred Purchasing Opportunities: Many NJPA Members consider the environmental impact of the products and services they purchase. “Green” characteristics demonstrated by Proposers will be evaluated positively by NJPA and reflected in the “value added” area of the evaluation. Please identify any green characteristics of any offering in your proposal and identify the sanctioning body determining that characteristic. Where appropriate, please indicate which products have been certified as green and by which certifying agency.

6.36 Online Requisitioning Systems: When applicable, online requisitioning systems will be viewed as a value-added characteristic. Proposers should demonstrate how their system makes online ordering easier for NJPA Members, including how Members could integrate their current e-Procurement or enterprise resource planning (ERP) systems into the Proposer’s ordering process.

6.37 Financing: The ability of the Proposer to provide financing solutions to Members for the products and services being proposed will be viewed as a value-added attribute.

6.38 Technology: Technological advances that appreciably improve the proposed products or services will be considered value-added attributes.

K. WAIVER OF FORMALITIES

6.39 NJPA reserves the right to waive minor formalities (or to accept minor irregularities) in any proposal, when it determines that considering the proposal may be in the best interest of its Members.

7 POST-AWARD OPERATING ISSUES

A. SUBSEQUENT AGREEMENTS

7.1 Purchase Order. Purchase orders for products and services may be executed between NJPA Members and the awarded Vendor (or Vendor’s sub-contractors) under this Contract. NJPA Members and Vendors must indicate on the face of such purchase orders that “This purchase order is issued under NJPA contract #XXXXXXXX” (insert the relevant contract number). Purchase order flow and procedure will be developed jointly between NJPA and an awarded Vendor after an award is made.

7.2 Governing Law. Purchase orders must be construed in accordance with, and governed by, the laws of a competent jurisdiction with respect to the Member. (See also Section 8.5 of this RFP.) All provisions required by law to be included in the purchase order should be read and enforced as if they were included. If through mistake or otherwise any such provision is not included, then upon application of either party the Contract shall be physically amended to make such inclusion or correction. The venue for any litigation arising out of disputes related to purchase order will be a court of competent jurisdiction with respect to the Member.

7.3 Additional Terms and Conditions. Additional terms and conditions to a purchase order may be proposed by NJPA, NJPA Members, or Vendors. Acceptance of these additional terms and conditions is optional to all parties to the purchase order. One purpose of these additional terms and conditions is to address job- or industry-specific requirements of law such as prevailing wage legislation. Additional terms and conditions may also include specific local policy requirements and standard business practices of the issuing Member or the Vendor. Such additional terms and conditions are not considered valid to the extent that they interfere with the general purpose, intent, or currently established terms and conditions contain in this RFP document. For example, a Vendor and Member may agree to add a “net 30” payment requirement to the purchase order instead of applying a “net 10” requirement. But the added terms and conditions must not be less favorable to the Member unless NJPA, the Member, and the Vendor agree to a Contract amendment or similar modification.

7.4 Specialized Service Requirements. In the event that the NJPA Member desires service requirements or specialized performance requirements (such as e-commerce specifications, specialized delivery
requirements, or other specifications and requirements) not addressed in the Contract resulting from this RFP, the NJPA Member and the Vendor may enter into a separate, standalone agreement, apart from a Contract resulting from this RFP. Any proposed service requirements or specialized performance requirements require pre-approval by the Vendor. Any separate agreement developed to address these specialized service or performance requirements is exclusively between the NJPA Member and Vendor. NJPA, its agents, and employees shall not be made a party to any claim for breach of such agreement. Product sourcing is not considered a service. NJPA Members will need to conduct procurements for any specialized services not identified as a part of or within the scope of the awarded Contract.

7.5 Performance Bond. At the request of the Member, a Vendor will provide all performance bonds typically and customarily required in their industry. These bonds will be issued pursuant to the requirements of purchase orders for products and services. If a purchase order is cancelled for lack of a required performance bond by the member agency, NJPA recommends that the current pending purchase order be canceled. Each Member has the final decision on purchase order continuation. Any performance bonding required by the Member, the Member’s state laws, or by local policy is to be mutually agreed upon and secured between the Vendor and the Member.

7.6 Asset Management Contracts: Asset Management-type Contracts can be initiated under a Contract resulting from this RFP at any time during the term of this Contract. Such a contract could involve, for example, picking up, storing, repairing, inventorying, salvaging, and delivery products falling within the scope of this Contract. The intention in using Asset Management Contracts is to promote the long-term efficiency of NJPA’s contracts by (among other things) extending the use and re-use of products. Asset Management Contracts cannot be created under this Contract unless they are executed within the authorized term of a Contract resulting from this RFP. The actual term of the Asset Management Contract may, however, extend beyond the expiration date of this Contract.

B. NJPA MEMBER SIGN-UP PROCEDURE

7.6 Awarded Vendors are responsible for familiarizing their sales and service forces with the various forms of NJPA membership documentation and will encourage and assist potential Members in establishing membership with NJPA. NJPA membership is available at no cost, obligation, or liability to the Member or the Vendor.

C. REPORTING OF SALES ACTIVITY

7.7 Awarded Vendors must report at least quarterly the total gross dollar volume of all products and services purchased by NJPA Members as it applies to this RFP and Contract. This report must include the name and address of the purchasing agency, Member number, amount of purchase, and a description of the items purchased.

7.7.1 Zero sales reports: Awarded Vendors must provide a quarterly Contract sales report regardless of the amount of sales.

D. AUDITS

7.8 NJPA relies substantially on the reasonable auditing efforts of both Members and awarded Vendors to ensure that Members are obtaining the products, services, pricing, and other benefits under all NJPA contracts. Nonetheless, the Vendor must retain and make available to NJPA all order and invoicing documentation related to purchases that Members make from the Vendor under the awarded Contract. NJPA must not request such information more than once per calendar year, and NJPA must make such requests in writing with at least fourteen (14) days’ notice. NJPA may employ an independent auditor at its own expense or conduct an audit on its own. In either event, the Vendor agrees to cooperate fully with NJPA or its agents in order to ensure compliance with this Contract.

E. HUB PARTNER
7.9 **Hub Partner:** NJPA Members may request special services through a “Hub Partner” for the purpose of complying with a law, regulation, or rule that an NJPA Member deems to apply in its jurisdiction. Hub Partners may bring value to the proposed transactions through consultancy, through qualifying for disadvantaged business entity credits, or through other means.

7.10 **Hub Partner Fees:** NJPA Members are responsible for any transaction fees, costs, or expenses that arise under this Contract for special service provided by the Hub Partner. The fees, costs, or expenses levied by the Hub Vendor must be clearly itemized in the transaction documentation. To the extent that the Vendor stands in the chain of title during a transaction resulting from this RFP, the documentation must clearly indicate that the transaction is “Executed for the Benefit of [NJPA Member name].”

**F. TRADE-INS**

7.11 The value in US Dollars for Trade-ins will be negotiated between NJPA or an NJPA Member, and an Awarded Vendor. That identified “Trade-In” value shall be viewed as a down payment and credited in full against the NJPA purchase price identified in a purchase order issued pursuant to any Awarded NJPA procurement contract. The full value of the trade-in will be consideration.

**G. OUT OF STOCK NOTIFICATION**

7.12 The Vendor must immediately notify NJPA Members when they order an out-of-stock item. The Vendor must also tell the Member when the item will be available and whether there are equivalent substitutes. The Member must have the option of accepting the suggested substitute or canceling the item from the order. Under no circumstance may the Vendor make unauthorized substitutions. Unfilled or substituted items must be indicated on the packing list.

**H. CONTRACT TERMINATION FOR CAUSE AND WITHOUT CAUSE**

7.13 NJPA reserves the right to cancel all or any part of this Contract if the Vendor fails to fulfill any material obligation, term, or condition as described in the following procedure. Before any such termination for cause, the NJPA will provide written notice to the Vendor, an opportunity to respond, and a reasonable opportunity to cure the breach. The following are some examples of material breaches.

7.13.1 The Vendor provides products or services that do not meet reasonable quality standards and that are not remedied under the warranty;

7.13.2 The Vendor fails to ship the products or to provide the services within a reasonable amount of time;

7.13.3 NJPA reasonably believes that the Vendor will not or cannot perform to the requirements or expectations of the Contract, NJPA issues a request for assurance, and the Vendor fails to respond;

7.13.4 The Vendor fails to fulfill any of the material terms and conditions of the Contract;

7.13.5 The Vendor fails to follow the established procedure for purchase orders, invoices, or receipt of funds as established by NJPA and the Vendor;

7.13.6 The Vendor fails to properly report quarterly sales;

7.13.7 The Vendor fails to actively market this Contract within the guidelines provided in this RFP and defined in the NJPA contract launch.
7.14 Upon receipt of the written notice of breach, the Vendor will have ten (10) business days to provide a satisfactory response to NJPA. If the Vendor fails to reasonably address all issues in the written notice, NJPA may terminate the Contract immediately. If NJPA allows the Vendor more time to remedy the breach, such forbearance does not limit NJPA’s authority to immediately terminate the Contract for continued breaches for which notice was given to the Vendor. Termination of the Contract for cause does not relieve either party of the financial, product, or service obligations incurred before the termination.

8.2 [This section is intentionally blank.]

7.16 NJPA may terminate the Contract if the Vendor files for bankruptcy protection or is acquired by an independent third party. The Vendor must disclose to NJPA any litigation, bankruptcy, or suspensions/disarments that occurred during the Contract period. Failure to disclose such information authorizes NJPA to immediately terminate the Contract.

7.17 NJPA may terminate the Contract without cause by giving the Vendor sixty (60) days’ written notice of termination. Termination of the Contract without cause does not relieve either party of the financial, product, or service obligations incurred before the termination.

7.18 NJPA may immediately terminate any Contract without further obligation if any NJPA employee significantly involved in initiating, negotiating, securing, drafting, or creating the Contract on behalf of NJPA has colluded with any Proposer for personal gain. NJPA may also immediately cancel a Contract if it finds that gratuities, in the form of entertainment, gifts or otherwise, were offered or given by the Vendor or any agent or representative of the Vendor, to any employee of NJPA. Such terminations are effective upon written notice from NJPA or at a later date designated in the notice. Termination of the Contract does not relieve either party of the financial, product, or service obligations incurred before the termination.

8. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

8. ADVERTISING A CONTRACT RESULTING FROM THIS RFP

8.1 Proposer/Vendor must not advertise or publish information concerning this Contract before the award is announced by NJPA. Once the award is made, a Vendor is expected to advertise the awarded Contract to both current and potential NJPA Members.

B. APPLICABLE LAW

8.2 [This section is intentionally blank.]

8.3 NJPA Compliance with Minnesota Procurement Law: NJPA has designed its procurement process to comply with best practices in the State of Minnesota. NJPA’s solicitation methods are also created to comply with many of the various requirements that our Members must satisfy in their own procurement processes. But these requirements may differ considerably and may change from time to time. So each NJPA Member must make its own determination whether NJPA’s solicitation process satisfies the procurement rules in the Member’s jurisdiction.

8.4 Governing law with respect to delivery and acceptance: All applicable portions of the Minnesota Uniform Commercial Code, all other applicable Minnesota laws, and the applicable laws and rules of delivery and inspection of the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) laws will govern NJPA contracts resulting from this solicitation.

8.5 Jurisdiction: Any claims that arise against NJPA pertaining to this RFP, and any resulting contract that develops between NJPA and any other party, must be brought only in courts in Todd County in the State of Minnesota unless otherwise agreed to.
8.4.1 Purchase orders or other agreements created pursuant to a contract resulting from this solicitation must be construed in accordance with, and governed by, the laws of the issuing Member. Any claim arising from such a purchase order or agreement must be filed and venued in a court of competent jurisdiction of the Member unless otherwise agreed to.

8.6 through 8.7 [This section is intentionally blank.]

8.8 Indemnification: Each party is responsible for its own acts and is not responsible for the acts of the other party and the results thereof. NJPA’s liability is governed by the Minnesota Tort Claims Act (Minn. Stat. § 3.736) and other applicable law.

8.9 Prevailing wage: The Vendor must comply with applicable prevailing wage legislation in effect in the jurisdiction of the NJPA Member. The Vendor must monitor the prevailing wage rates as established by the appropriate federal governmental entity during the term of this Contract and adjust wage rates accordingly.

8.10 Patent and copyright infringement: The Vendor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless NJPA and NJPA Members against any and all suits, claims, judgments, and costs instituted or recovered against the Vendor, NJPA, or NJPA Members by any person on account of the use or sale of any articles by NJPA or NJPA Members if the Vendor supplied such articles in violation of applicable patent or copyright laws.

C. ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT

8.11 No right or interest in this Contract may be assigned or transferred by the Vendor without prior written permission by the NJPA. No delegation of any duty of the Vendor under this Contract may be made without prior written permission of the NJPA. NJPA will notify Members by posting approved assignments on the NJPA website (www.njpacoop.org).

8.12 If the original Vendor sells or transfers all assets or the entire portion of the assets used to perform this Contract, a successor-in-interest must perform all obligations under this Contract. NJPA reserves the right to reject the acquiring entity as a Vendor. A change of name agreement will not change the contractual obligations of the Vendor.

D. LIST OF PROPOSERS

8.13 NJPA will not maintain a list of interested proposers, nor will it automatically send RFPs to them. All interested proposers must request the RFP as a result of NJPA’s national solicitation advertisements. Because of the wide scope of the potential Members and qualified national suppliers, NJPA has determined this to be the best method of fairly soliciting proposals.

E. CAPTIONS, HEADINGS, AND ILLUSTRATIONS

8.14 The captions, illustrations, headings, and subheadings in this RFP are for convenience and ease of understanding and in no way define or limit the scope or intent of this request.

F. DATA PRACTICES

8.15 All materials submitted in response to this RFP become NJPA’s property and become public records (under Minn. Stat. § 13.591) after the evaluation process is completed. If the Proposer submits information in response to this RFP that it requests to be classified as nonpublic information (as defined by the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, Minn. Stat. § 13.37), the Proposer must meet the following requirements.

8.15.1 The Proposer must make the request within thirty (30) days of the award/nonaward notification, and include the appropriate statutory justification. Pricing, marketing plans, and
financial information is generally not redactable. The NJPA Legal Department will review the request to determine whether the information can be withheld or redacted. If NJPA determines that it must disclose the information upon a proper request for such information, NJPA will inform the Proposer of such determination.

8.15.2 The Proposer must defend any action seeking release of the materials that it believes to be nonpublic information, and it must indemnify and hold harmless NJPA, its agents, and employees, from any judgments or damages awarded against NJPA in favor of the party requesting the materials, and any and all costs connected with that defense. This indemnification survives the term of any contract awarded under this RFP. In submitting a response to this RFP, the Proposer agrees that this indemnification survives as long as NJPA possesses the confidential information.

8.16 [This section is intentionally blank.]

G. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

8.17 This Contract, as defined herein, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties to this Contract. A Contract resulting from this RFP is formed when the NJPA Board of Directors approves and signs the applicable Contract Award & Acceptance document (Form E).

H. FORCE MAJEURE

8.18 Except for payments of sums due, neither party is liable to the other nor deemed in default under this Contract if and to the extent that such party’s performance of this Contract is prevented due to force majeure. The term “force majeure” means an occurrence that is beyond the control of the party affected and occurs without its fault or negligence including, but not limited to, the following: acts of God, acts of the public enemy, war, riots, strikes, mobilization, labor disputes, civil disorders, fire, flood, snow, earthquakes, tornadoes or violent wind, tsunamis, wind shears, squalls, Chinooks, blizzards, hail storms, volcanic eruptions, meteor strikes, famine, sink holes, avalanches, lockouts, injunctions-intervention-acts, terrorist events or failures or refusals to act by government authority and/or other similar occurrences where such party is unable to prevent by exercising reasonable diligence. The force majeure is deemed to commence when the party declaring force majeure notifies the other party of the existence of the force majeure and is deemed to continue as long as the results or effects of the force majeure prevent the party from resuming performance in accordance with a Contract resulting from this RFP. Force majeure does not include late deliveries of products and services caused by congestion at a manufacturer’s plant or elsewhere, an oversold condition of the market, inefficiencies, or other similar occurrences. If either party is delayed at any time by force majeure, then the delayed party must (if possible) notify the other party of such delay within forty-eight (48) hours.

8.19 through 8.20 [These sections are intentionally blank.]

K. LICENSES

8.21 The Vendor must maintain a valid status on all required federal, state, and local licenses, bonds, and permits required for the operation of the business that the Vendor conducts with NJPA and NJPA Members.

8.22 All responding Proposers must be licensed (where required) and must have the authority to sell and distribute the offered products and services to NJPA and NJPA Members. Documentation of the required licenses and authorities, if applicable, should be included in the Proposer’s response to this RFP.

L. MATERIAL SUPPLIERS AND SUB-CONTRACTORS

8.23 The awarded Vendor must supply the names and addresses of sourcing suppliers and sub-contractors as a part of the purchase order when requested by NJPA or an NJPA Member.
M. NON-WAIVER OF RIGHTS

8.24 No failure of either party to exercise any power given to it hereunder, nor a failure to insist upon strict compliance by the other party with its obligations hereunder, nor a custom or practice of the parties at variance with the terms hereof, nor any payment under a Contract resulting from this RFP constitutes a waiver of either party's right to demand exact compliance with the terms hereof. Failure by NJPA to take action or to assert any right hereunder does not constitute a waiver of such right.

N. PROTESTS OF AWARDS MADE

8.25 And protests must be filed with NJPA's Executive Director and must be resolved in accordance with appropriate Minnesota rules. Protests will only be accepted from Proposers. A protest of an award or nonaward must be filed in writing with NJPA within ten (10) calendar days after the public notice or announcement of the award or nonaward. A protest must include the following items:

8.25.1 The name, address, and telephone number of the protester;

8.25.2 The original signature of the protester or its representative (you must document the authority of the representative);

8.25.3 Identification of the solicitation by RFP number;

8.25.4 Identification of the statute or procedure that is alleged to have been violated;

8.25.5 A precise statement of the relevant facts;

8.25.6 Identification of the issues to be resolved;

8.25.7 The aggrieved party's argument and supporting documentation;

8.25.8 The aggrieved party's statement of potential financial damages; and

8.25.9 A protest bond in the name of NJPA and in the amount of 10% of the aggrieved party's statement of potential financial damages.

O. SUSPENSION OR DISBARMENT STATUS

8.26 If within the past five (5) years, any firm, business, person or Proposer responding to an NJPA solicitation has been lawfully terminated, suspended, or precluded from participating in any public procurement activity with a federal, state, or local government or education agency, the Proposer must include a letter with its response setting forth the name and address of the public procurement unit, the effective date of the suspension or debarment, the duration of the suspension or debarment, and the relevant circumstances relating to the suspension or debarment. Any failure to supply such a letter or to disclose pertinent information may result in the termination of a Contract. By signing the proposal affidavit, the Proposer certifies that no current suspension or debarment exists.

P. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION AND IMMIGRATION STATUS CERTIFICATION

8.27 An Affirmative Action Plan, Certificate of Affirmative Action, or other documentation regarding Affirmative Action may be required by NJPA or NJPA Members relating to a transaction from this RFP. Vendors must comply with any such requirements or requests.

8.28 Immigration Status Certification may be required by NJPA or NJPA Members relating to a transaction from this RFP. Vendors must comply with any such requirements or requests.

Q. SEVERABILITY
8.29 In the event that any of the terms of a Contract resulting from this RFP are in conflict with any rule, law, or statutory provision, or are otherwise unenforceable under the laws or regulations of any government or subdivision thereof, such terms will be deemed stricken from the Contract, but such invalidity or unenforceability shall not invalidate any of the other terms of an awarded Contract resulting from this RFP.

R. RELATIONSHIP OF PARTIES

8.30 No Contract resulting from this RFP may be considered a contract of employment. The relationship between NJPA and an awarded Vendor is one of independent contractors, each free to exercise judgment and discretion with regard to the conduct of their respective businesses. The parties neither intend the proposed Contract to create, nor is to be construed as creating, a partnership, joint venture, master-servant, principal-agent, or any other, relationship. Except as provided elsewhere in this RFP, neither party may be held liable for acts of omission or commission of the other party and neither party is authorized or has the power to obligate the other party by contract, agreement, warranty, representation, or otherwise in any manner whatsoever except as may be expressly provided herein.

9 FORMS

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Form A

PROPOSER QUESTIONNAIRE- General Business Information
(Products, Pricing, Sector Specific, Services, Terms and Warranty are addressed on Form P)

Proposer Name: __________________________ Questionnaire completed by: _______________________

Please identify the person NJPA should correspond with from now through the Award process:

Name: __________________________ E-Mail address: __________________________

Please answer the questions below using the Microsoft Word® version of this document. This allows NJPA evaluators to cut and paste your answers into a separate worksheet. Place your answer directly below each question. NJPA prefers a brief but thorough response to each question. Please do not merely attach additional documents to your response without also providing a substantive response. Do not leave answers blank; mark “NA” if the question does not apply to you (preferably with an explanation). Please create a response that is easy to read and understand. For example, you may consider using a different font and color to distinguish your answer from the questions.

Company Information & Financial Strength

1) Provide the full legal name, mailing and email addresses, tax identification number, and telephone number for your business.
   Provide a brief history of your company, including your company’s core values, business philosophy, and longevity in the VEHICLES, CARS, VANS, SUVs, AND LIGHT TRUCKS WITH RELATED EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES, AND SERVICES industry.

2) Provide a detailed description of the products and services that you are offering in your proposal.

3) What are your company’s expectations in the event of an award?

4) Demonstrate your financial strength and stability with meaningful data. This could include such items as financial statements, SEC filings, credit and bond ratings, letters of credit, and detailed reference letters.

5) What is your US market share for the solutions that you are proposing? What is your Canadian market share, if any?

6) Has your business ever petitioned for bankruptcy protection? Please explain in detail.

7) How is your organization best described: is it a manufacturer, a distributor/dealer/reseller, or a service provider? Answer whichever question (either a) or b) just below) best applies to your organization.
   a) If your company is best described as a distributor/dealer/reseller (or similar entity), please provide your written authorization to act as a distributor/dealer/reseller for the manufacturer of the products proposed in this RFP. If applicable, is your dealer network independent or company owned?
   b) If your company is best described as a manufacturer or service provider, please describe your relationship with your sales and service force and with your dealer network in delivering the products and services proposed in this RFP. Are these individuals your employees, or the employees of a third party?

8) If applicable, provide a detailed explanation outlining the licenses and certifications that are both required to be held, and actually held, by your organization (including third parties and subcontractors that you use) in pursuit of the business contemplated by this RFP.

9) Provide all “Suspension or Disbarment” information that has applied to your organization during the past ten years.

10) Within this RFP category there may be subcategories of solutions. List subcategory titles that best describe your products and services.

Industry Recognition & Marketplace Success

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11) Describe any relevant industry awards or recognition that your company has received in the past five years.

12) Supply three references/testimonials from your customers who are eligible for NJPA membership. At a minimum, please include the entity’s name, contact person, and phone number.

13) Provide a list of your top five governmental or educational customers (entity name is optional), including entity type, the state the entity is located in, scope of the projects, size of transactions, and dollar volumes from the past three years.

14) Indicate separately what percentages of your sales are to the government and education sectors in the past three years?

15) List any state or cooperative purchasing contracts that you hold. What is the annual sales volume for each of these contracts over the past three years?

16) List any GSA contracts that you hold. What is the annual sales volume for each of these contracts over the past three years?

Proposer’s Ability to Sell and Deliver Service Nationwide

17) Describe your company’s capability to meet NJPA Member’s needs across the country. Your response should address at least the following areas.
   a) Sales force.
   b) Dealer network or other distribution methods.
   c) Service force.

Please include details, such as the locations of your network of sales and service providers, the number of workers (full-time equivalents) involved in each sector, whether these workers are your direct employers (or employees of a third party), and any overlap between the sales and service functions.

18) Describe in detail the process and procedure of your customer service program, if applicable. Please include your response-time capabilities and commitments, as well as any incentives that help your providers meet your stated service goals or promises.

19) a) Identify any geographic areas of the United States that you will NOT be fully serving through the proposed contract.
   b) Identify any NJPA Member sectors (i.e., government, education, not-for-profit) that you will NOT be fully serving through the proposed contract. Please explain your answer. For example, does your company have only a regional presence, or do other cooperative purchasing contracts limit your ability to promote another contract?

20) Define any specific contract requirements or restrictions that would apply to our Members in Hawaii and Alaska and in US Territories.

Marketing Plan

21) If you are awarded a contract, how will you train your sales management, dealer network, and direct sales teams (whichever apply) to ensure maximum impact? Please include how you will communicate your NJPA pricing and other contract detail to your sales force nationally.

22) Describe your marketing strategy for promoting this contract opportunity. Please include representative samples of your marketing materials in electronic format.

23) Describe your use of technology and digital data (e.g., social media, metadata usage) to enhance marketing effectiveness.

24) In your view, what is NJPA’s role in promoting contracts arising out of this RFP? How will you integrate an NJPA-awarded contract into your sales process?
25) Are your products or services available through an e-procurement ordering process? If so, describe your e-procurement system and how governmental and educational customers have used it.

Value-Added Attributes

26) Describe any product, equipment, maintenance, or operator training programs that you offer to NJPA Members. Please include details, such as whether training is standard or optional, who provides training, and any costs that apply.

27) Describe any technological advances that your proposed products or services offer.

28) Describe any "green" initiatives that relate to your company or to your products or services, and include a list of the certifying agency for each.

29) Describe any Women or Minority Business Entity (WMBE) or Small Business Entity (SBE) accreditations that your company or hub partners have obtained.

30) What unique attributes does your company, your products, or your services offer to NJPA Members? What makes your proposed solutions unique in your industry as it applies to NJPA members?

31) Identify your ability and willingness to provide your products and services to NJPA member agencies in Canada.

NOTE: Questions regarding Payment Terms, Warranty, Products/Equipment/Services, Pricing and Delivery, and Industry Specific Items are addressed on Form P.

Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________
Form B

PROPOSER INFORMATION

Company Name: ____________________________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip: __________________________________________________________________

Phone: ___________________________ Fax: ___________________________

Toll-Free Number: ___________________________ E-mail: ___________________________

Website Address: __________________________________________________________________

COMPANY PERSONNEL CONTACTS

Authorized signer for your organization

Name: ____________________________________________________________

Email: ___________________________ Phone: ___________________________

The person identified here must have proper signing authority to sign the "Proposer's Assurance of Compliance" on behalf of the Proposer.

Who prepared your RFP response?

Name: ____________________________________________________________ Title:

Email: ___________________________ Phone: ___________________________

Who is your company's primary contact person for this proposal?

Name: ____________________________________________________________ Title:

Email: ___________________________ Phone: ___________________________

Other important contact information

Name: ____________________________________________________________ Title:

Email: ___________________________ Phone: ___________________________

Name: ____________________________________________________________ Title:

Email: ___________________________ Phone: ___________________________
Form C

EXCEPTIONS TO PROPOSAL, TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND SOLUTIONS REQUEST

Company Name:

Any exceptions to the terms, conditions, specifications, or proposal forms contained in this RFP must be noted in writing and included with the Proposer’s response. The Proposer acknowledges that the exceptions listed may or may not be accepted by NJPA or included in the final contract. NJPA will make reasonable efforts to accommodate the listed exceptions and may clarify the exceptions in the appropriate section below.

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Proposer’s Signature: ___________________________ Date: __________

NJPA’s clarification on exceptions listed above:
Contract Award
RFP #120716

FORM D

Formal Offering of Proposal
(To be completed only by the Proposer)

VEHICLES, CARS, VANS, SUVs, AND LIGHT TRUCKS WITH RELATED EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES, AND SERVICES

In compliance with the Request for Proposal (RFP) for VEHICLES, CARS, VANS, SUVs, AND LIGHT TRUCKS WITH RELATED EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES, AND SERVICES, the undersigned warrants that the Proposer has examined this RFP and, being familiar with all of the instructions, terms and conditions, general and technical specifications, sales and service expectations, and any special terms, agrees to furnish the defined products and related services in full compliance with all terms and conditions of this RFP, any applicable amendments of this RFP, and all Proposer's response documentation. The Proposer further understands that it accepts the full responsibility as the sole source of solutions proposed in this RFP response and that the Proposer accepts responsibility for any subcontractors used to fulfill this proposal.

Company Name: ________________________________ Date: ________________________________

Company Address: ________________________________________________________________

City: ________________________________ State: __________ Zip: ________________________________

Contact Person: ________________________________ Title: ________________________________

Authorized Signature: ________________________________ (Name printed or typed)
Form E

Contract Acceptance and Award

(To be completed only by NJPA)

NJPA #120716

Proposer's full legal name

Your proposal is hereby accepted, and a Contract is awarded. As an awarded Proposer, you are now bound to provide the defined products and services contained in your proposal offering according to all terms, conditions, and pricing set forth in this RFP, any amendments to this RFP, your response, and any exceptions accepted by NJPA.

The effective start date of the Contract will be __________________________, 20________ and continue until- (no later than the later of four years from the expiration date of the currently awarded contract or four years from the NJPA Board’s contract award date). This contract may be extended for a fifth year at NJPA’s discretion.

National Joint Powers Alliance® (NJPA)

NJPA Authorized signature: ___________________________ NJPA Executive Director (Name printed or typed)

Awarded this _______ day of ____________________, 20________ NJPA Contract Number #120716

NJPA Authorized signature: ___________________________ NJPA Board Member (Name printed or typed)

Executed this _______ day of ____________________, 20________ NJPA Contract Number #120716

The Proposer hereby accepts this Contract award, including all accepted exceptions and NJPA clarifications.

Vendor Name _____________________________

Vendor Authorized signature: ___________________________ (Name printed or typed)

Title: _____________________________

Executed this _______ day of ____________________, 20________ NJPA Contract Number #120716
FORM F

PROPOSER ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE

Proposal Affidavit Signature Page

PROPOSER’S AFFIDAVIT

The undersigned, authorized representative of the entity submitting the foregoing proposal (the “Proposer”), swears that the following statements are true to the best of his or her knowledge.

1. The Proposer is submitting its proposal under its true and correct name, the Proposer has been properly originated and legally exists in good standing in its state of residence, the Proposer possesses, or will possess before delivering any products and related services, all applicable licenses necessary for such delivery to NJPA members agencies. The undersigned affirms that he or she is authorized to act on behalf of, and to legally bind the Proposer to the terms in this Contract.

2. The Proposer, or any person representing the Proposer, has not directly or indirectly entered into any agreement or arrangement with any other vendor or supplier, any official or employee of NJPA, or any person, firm, or corporation under contract with NJPA, in an effort to influence the pricing, terms, or conditions relating to this RFP in any way that adversely affects the free and open competition for a Contract award under this RFP.

3. The Proposer has examined and understands the terms, conditions, scope, contract opportunity, specifications request, and other documents in this solicitation and affirms that any and all exceptions have been noted in writing and have been included with the Proposer’s RFP response.

4. The Proposer will, if awarded a Contract, provide to NJPA Members the products and services in accordance with the terms, conditions, and scope of this RFP, with the Proposer-offered specifications, and with the other documents in this solicitation.

5. The Proposer agrees to deliver products and services through valid contracts, purchase orders, or means that are acceptable to NJPA Members. Unless otherwise agreed to, the Proposer must provide only new and first-quality products and related services to NJPA Members under an awarded Contract.

6. The Proposer will comply with all applicable provisions of federal, state, and local laws, regulations, rules, and orders.

7. The Proposer understands that NJPA will reject RFP proposals that are marked “confidential” (or “nonpublic,” etc.), either substantially or in their entirety. Under Minnesota Statute §13.591, Subd. 4, all proposals are considered nonpublic data until the evaluation is complete and a Contract is awarded. At that point, proposals generally become public data. Minnesota Statute §13.37 permits only certain narrowly defined data to be considered a “trade secret,” and thus nonpublic data under Minnesota’s Data Practices Act.

8. The Proposer understands that it is the Proposer’s duty to protect information that it considers nonpublic, and it agrees to defend and indemnify NJPA for reasonable measures that NJPA takes to uphold such a data designation.

[The rest of this page has been left intentionally blank. Signature page below]
By signing below, Proposer is acknowledging that he or she has read, understands, and agrees to comply with the terms and conditions specified above.

Company Name: ____________________________________________________________

Address: ________________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip: _____________________________________________________________

Telephone Number: _________________________________________________________

E-mail Address: _____________________________________________________________

Authorized Signature: _____________________________________________________

Authorized Name (printed): _________________________________________________

Title: ___________________________________________________________________

Date: __________________________________________________________________

Notarized

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ____________ day of ________________, 20_________

Notary Public in and for the County of ________________________________ State of _______

My commission expires: _____________________________________________________

Signature: ________________________________________________________________
Form G

OVERALL EVALUATION AND CRITERIA

For the Proposed Subject VEHICLES, CARS, VANS, SUVs, AND LIGHT TRUCKS WITH RELATED EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES, AND SERVICES

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Reviewed by: ___________________________ Its ___________________________
Proposer Name: ________________________________

Questionnaire completed by: ________________________________

Payment Terms and Financing Options

1) What are your payment terms (e.g., net 10, net 30)?

2) Do you provide leasing or financing options, especially those options that schools and governmental entities may need to use in order to make certain acquisitions?

3) Briefly describe your proposed order process. Please include enough detail to support your ability to report quarterly sales to NJPA. For example, indicate whether your dealer network is included in your response and whether each dealer (or some other entity) will process the NJPA Members’ purchase orders.

4) Do you accept the P-card procurement and payment process? If so, is there any additional cost to NJPA Members for using this process?

Warranty

5) Describe in detail your manufacturer warranty program, including conditions and requirements to qualify, claims procedure, and overall structure. You may include in your response a copy of your warranties, but at a minimum please also answer the following questions.

   • Do your warranties cover all products, parts, and labor?
   • Do your warranties impose usage restrictions or other limitations that adversely affect coverage?
   • Do your warranties cover the expense of technicians’ travel time and mileage to perform warranty repairs?
   • Are there any geographic regions of the United States for which you cannot provide a certified technician to perform warranty repairs? How will NJPA Members in these regions be provided service for warranty repair?
   • Will you cover warranty service for items made by other manufacturers that are part of your proposal, or are these warranties issues typically passed on to the original equipment manufacturer?
   • What are your proposed exchange and return programs and policies?

6) Describe any service contract options for the items included in your proposal.

Pricing, Delivery, Audits, and Administrative Fee

7) Provide a general narrative description of the equipment/products and related services you are offering in your proposal.

8) Describe your pricing model (e.g., line-item discounts or product-category discounts). Provide detailed pricing data (including standard or list pricing and the NJPA discounted price) on all of the items that you want NJPA to consider as part of your RFP response. Provide a SKU for each item in your proposal. (Keep in mind that reasonable price and product adjustments can be made during the term of an awarded Contract. See the body of the RFP and the Price and Product Change Request Form for more detail.)
9) Please quantify the discount range presented in this response. For example, indicate that the pricing in your response represents a 50% percent discount from the MSRP or your published list.

10) The pricing offered in this proposal is

   a. the same as the Proposer typically offers to an individual municipality, university, or school district.
   b. the same as the Proposer typically offers to GPOs, cooperative procurement organizations, or state purchasing departments.
   c. better than the Proposer typically offers to GPOs, cooperative procurement organizations, or state purchasing departments.
   d. other than what the Proposer typically offers (please describe).

11) Describe any quantity or volume discounts or rebate programs that you offer.

12) Propose a method of facilitating “sourced” products or related services, which may be referred to as “open market” items or “nonstandard options”. For example, you may supply such items “at cost” or “at cost plus a percentage,” or you may supply a quote for each such request.

13) Identify any total cost of acquisition costs that are NOT included in the pricing submitted with your response. This cost includes all additional charges that are not directly identified as freight or shipping charges. For example, list costs for items like installation, set up, mandatory training, or initial inspection. Identify any parties that impose such costs and their relationship to the Proposer.

14) If delivery or shipping is an additional cost to the NJPA Member, describe in detail the complete shipping and delivery program.

15) Specifically describe those shipping and delivery programs for Alaska, Hawaii, Canada, or any offshore delivery.

16) Describe any unique distribution and/or delivery methods or options offered in your proposal.

17) Please specifically describe any self-audit process or program that you plan to employ to verify compliance with your proposed Contract with NJPA. This process includes ensuring that NJPA Members obtain the proper pricing, that the Vendor reports all sales under the Contract each quarter, and that the Vendor remits the proper administrative fee to NJPA.

18) Identify a proposed administrative fee that you will pay to NJPA for facilitating, managing, and promoting the NJPA Contract in the event that you are awarded a Contract. This fee is typically calculated as a percentage of Vendor’s sales under the Contract or as a per-unit fee; it is not a line-item addition to the Member’s cost of goods. (See RFP Section 6.29 and following for details.)

**Industry-Specific Questions**

19) Identify any features in your response that are different from your standard vehicle offering or that are unique to your proposal.

20) Demonstrate your processes to handle vehicles on order with NJPA members that are subject to a recall or that have open service campaigns.

21) Demonstrate your NJPA member communication processes from P.O. generation to the delivery of vehicle in order to meet member expectations.

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Section 1. Instructions for Vendor

Requests for product or service changes, additions, or deletions will be considered at any time throughout the awarded contract term. All requests must be made in writing by completing sections 2, 3, and 4 of this NJPA Price and Product Change Request Form and signed by an authorized Vendor representative in section 5. All changes are subject to review by the NJPA Contracts & Compliance Manager and to approval by NJPA’s Chief Procurement Officer. Submit request through e-mail to your assigned NJPA Contract Administrator.

NJPA will determine whether the request is 1) within the scope of the original RFP, and 2) in the best interests of NJPA and NJPA Members. Approved Price and Product Change Request Forms will be signed and emailed to the Vendor contact.

The Vendor must complete this change request form and individually list or attach all items or services subject to change, must provide sufficiently detailed explanation and documentation for the change, and must include a complete restatement of pricing documentation in an appropriate format (preferably Microsoft® Excel®). The pricing document must identify all products and services being offered and must conform to the following NJPA product/price change naming convention: (Vendor Name) (NJPA Contract #) (effective pricing date); for example, “Acme Widget Company #012416-AWC eff. 01-01-2017.”

NOTE: New pricing restatements must include all products and services offered regardless of whether their prices have changed and must include a new “effective date” on the pricing documents. This requirement reduces confusion by providing a single, current pricing sheet for each Vendor and creates a historical record of pricing.

ADDITIONS. New products and related services may be added to a contract if such additions are within the scope of the original RFP.

DELETIONS. New products and related services may be deleted from a contract if, for example, they are no longer available or have been modified to a point where they are outside the scope of the RFP.

PRICE CHANGES: Vendors may request price changes if they provide sufficient rationale for the change. For example, a Vendor that manufactures products that require substantial petroleum-related material might request a 3% price increase because of a 20% increase in petroleum costs.

Price decreases: NJPA expects Vendors to propose their very best prices and anticipates that price reductions might occur because of improved technologies or marketplace efficiencies.

Price increases: Acceptable price increases typically result from specific Vendor cost increases. The Vendor must include reasonable justification for the price increase and must not, for example, offer merely generalized statements about an increase in a cost-of-living index. Appropriate documentation should be attached to this form, including such items as letters from suppliers announcing price increases.

Refer to the RFP for complete “Pricing” details.

Section 2. Vendor Name and Type of Change Request

AWARDED VENDOR NAME:

NJPA CONTRACT NUMBER:

CHECK ALL CHANGES THAT APPLY:

□ Adding Products/Services

□ Deleting Products/Services

□ Price Increase

□ Price Decrease
Section 3. Detailed Explanation of Need for Changes

List the products and/or services that are changing or being added or deleted from the previous contract price list, along with the percentage change for each item or category. (Attach a separate, detailed document if changing more than 10 items.)

Provide a general statement and documentation explaining the reasons for these price and/or product changes.

EXAMPLES: 1) "All pricing for paper products and services are increased 5% because of increased raw material and transportation costs (see attached documentation of fuel and raw materials increase)."  2) "The 6400 series floor polisher is being added to the product list as a new model, replacing the 5400 series. The 6400 series 3% increase reflects technological changes that improve the polisher’s efficiency and useful life. The 5400 series is now included in the “Hot List” at a 20% discount from the previous pricing until the remaining inventory is liquidated."

If adding products, state how these are within the scope of the original RFP.

If changing prices or adding products or services, state how the pricing is consistent with existing NJPA contract pricing.
Section 4. Complete Restatement of Pricing Submitted

A COMPLETE restatement of the pricing, including all new and existing products and services is attached and has been emailed to the Vendor’s Contract Administrator.

☐ Yes ☐ No

Section 5. Signatures

Vendor Authorized Signature ___________________________ Date ___________________________

Print Name and Title of Authorized Signer ___________________________

Jeremy Schwartz, NJPA Director of Cooperative Contracts and Procurement/CPO Date ___________________________
Appendix A

NJPA The National Joint Powers Alliance® (NJPA), on behalf of NJPA and its current and potential Member agencies, which includes all governmental, higher education, K-12 education, not-for-profit, tribal governmental, and all other public agencies located in all fifty states, Canada, and internationally, issues this Request For Proposal (RFP) to result in a national contract solution.

For your reference, the links below include some, but not all, of the entities included in this proposal.

http://www.usa.gov/Agencies/Local_Government/Cities.shtml
http://nces.ed.gov/globalocator/
https://harvester.census.gov/tmls/search/index.asp
http://nccswb.urbann.org/PubApps/search.php
http://www.nreca.coop/about-electric-cooperatives/member-directory/
Oregon
Hawaii
Washington
ADDENDUM ONE (1)
To that certain
NJPA RFP #120716
Issued by
National Joint Powers Alliance®
For the procurement of

VEHICLES, CARS, VANS, SUVS, AND LIGHT TRUCKS WITH RELATED EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES, AND SERVICES

Consider the following to be part of the above-titled RFP: Pre-Proposal Conference.

Because some prospective vendors may have had difficulty accessing our originally scheduled pre-proposal conference, we are providing another conference. You do not need to attend this conference in order to respond to the RFP, but it is highly recommended. It will be held November 23, 11 a.m. CT.

Topic: Vehicles, Cars, Vans, SUVS, & Light Trucks with Related Equipment, Accessories, and Services
Host: National Joint Powers Alliance
Date and Time:
Wednesday, November 23, 2016 11:00 am, Central Standard Time (Chicago, GMT-06:00)
Wednesday, November 23, 2016 12:00 pm, Eastern Standard Time (New York, GMT-05:00)
Wednesday, November 23, 2016 9:00 am, Pacific Standard Time (San Francisco, GMT-08:00)
Wednesday, November 23, 2016 10:00 am, Mountain Standard Time (Arizona, GMT-07:00)
Event number: 660 414 994
Registration password: This event does not require a password for registration

To view in other time zones or languages, please click the link:
hits://njpa.webex.com/njpa/onstage/g.php?MTID=e1d362d785372a206a9e12e120811e627

To join the audio conference only
US TOLL: +1-415-655-0001
Global call-in numbers: https://njpa.webex.com/njpa/globalcallin.php?serviceType=EC&ED=491351762&tollFree=0
Access code: 660 414 994

You can contact National Joint Powers Alliance at:
vidcon@njpacoop.org
https://www.webex.com

IMPORTANT NOTICE: This WebEx service includes a feature that allows audio and any documents and other materials exchanged or viewed during the session to be recorded. By joining this session, you automatically consent to such recordings. If you do not consent to the recording, discuss your concerns with the meeting host prior to the start of the recording or do not join the session. Please note that any such recordings may be subject to discovery in the event of litigation.

Acknowledgment of Addendum One (1) to RFP 120716 emailed on November 16, 2016.

COMPANY NAME: __________________________

SIGNATURE: ______________________________

DATE: _________________________________

Please include this signed Addendum with your RFP response.
FORM E
CONTRACT ACCEPTANCE AND AWARD

(Top portion of this form will be completed by NJPA if the vendor is awarded a contract. The vendor should complete the vendor authorized signatures as part of the RFP response.)

NJPA Contract #: 120716-NAF

Proposer's full legal name: 72 Hour LLC, dba National Auto Fleet Group

Based on NJPA's evaluation of your proposal, you have been awarded a contract. As an awarded vendor, you agree to provide the products and services contained in your proposal and to meet all of the terms and conditions set forth in this RFP, in any amendments to this RFP, and in any exceptions that are accepted by NJPA.

The effective date of the Contract will be January 17, 2017 and will expire on January 17, 2021 (no later than the later of four years from the expiration date of the currently awarded contract or four years from the date that the NJPA Chief Procurement Officer awards the Contract). This Contract may be extended for a fifth year at NJPA's discretion.

NJPA Authorized Signatures:

Jeremy Schwartz
(NAME PRINTED OR TYPED)
NJPA DIRECTOR OF COOPERATIVE CONTRACTS
AND PROCUREMENT/CEO SIGNATURE

Chad Coaquette
(NAME PRINTED OR TYPED)
NJPA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/CEO SIGNATURE

Awarded on January 16, 2017
NJPA Contract #: 120716-NAF

Vendor Authorized Signatures:

The Vendor hereby accepts this Contract award, including all accepted exceptions and amendments.

Vendor Name: 72 Hour LLC, National Auto Fleet Group

Authorized Signatory's Title: Fleet Manager

Jesse Cooket
(NAME PRINTED OR TYPED)
VENDOR AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

Executed on 1/16/2017
NJPA Contract #: 120716-NAF
Engineering, Operations, and Water Resources Committee

ACTION
ITEM
1C
Date: March 21, 2018
To: The Honorable Board of Directors
From: Halla Razak, General Manager
Committee: Engineering, Operations & Water Resources

Executive Contact: Chris Berch, Executive Manager of Engineering/AGM
Subject: RP-5 DynaSand Filter Rehabilitation Construction Contract Award

Executive Summary:

The Regional Water Recycling Plant No. 5 (RP-5) DynaSand Filter Rehabilitation Project, which is a part of the asset management program, rehabilitates the filter system by replacing airlift pumps/miscellaneous parts and cleaning/replenishing the existing sand filter media. RP-5’s tertiary filtration system utilizes a proprietary process called the DynaSand Filters which is manufactured by the Parkson Corporation. The system provides continuous filter cleaning (or backwashing) while removing suspended solids to reduce the turbidity. However, after over 15 years of use, these filters require rehabilitation to maintain system compliance.

On February 13, 2018, IEUA received two construction bids. GSE Construction Co., was the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, with a bid price of $476,800.

Staff’s Recommendation:

1. Award a construction contract for the RP-5 DynaSand Filter Rehabilitation Project, to GSE Construction Co., in the amount of $476,800; and

2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the contract.

Budget Impact

Budgeted (Y/N): Y Amendment (Y/N): N Amount for Requested Approval:

Account/Project Name:

RP-5 DynaSand Filter Rehabilitation Project

Fiscal Impact (explain if not budgeted):

None.

Full account coding (internal AP purposes only): 1000 - 144155 - 10800 - 550000 Project No.: 
Prior Board Action:
None.

Environmental Determination:
Statutory Exemption
CEQA exempts a variety of project form compliance with the statute. This project qualifies for a General Rule Statutory Exemption as defined in Section 15061(b)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines. There is no possibility that the rehabilitation project may have a significant effect on the environment.

Business Goal:
The RP-5 DynaSand Filter Rehabilitation Project is consistent with the IEUA’s Business Goal of Wastewater Management, specifically the Asset Management objective that IEUA will ensure the regional sewer system and treatment facilities are well maintained, upgraded to meet evolving requirements, sustainably managed, and can accommodate changes in regional water use.

Attachments:
Attachment 1 - PowerPoint
Attachment 2 - Construction Contract
RP-5 DynaSand Filter Rehabilitation Construction Contract Award

Joel Ignacio, P.E.
March 2018
Project Location

South-west Filter System (1 of 3)
(4 cells, 6 modules per cell)
The Project

- Clean all 72 filters
- Clean/replenish filter sand media
- Install new air lift pumps
- Clean all filter components
- Condition assessment by Parkson Engineer
Two bids were received on February 13, 2018:

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## Project Budget and Schedule

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*Operations and Maintenance Department's budget is being utilized to fund this project.*

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Recommendation

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- Authorize the General Manager to execute the contract.

The RP-5 DynaSand Filter Rehabilitation Project is consistent with IEUA’s Business Goal of Wastewater Management, specifically the Asset Management objective that IEUA will ensure the regional sewer system and treatment facilities are well maintained, upgraded to meet evolving requirements, sustainably managed, and can accommodate changes in regional water use.
CONTRACT NUMBER: 4600002494

FOR

RP-5 DYNASAND FILTER REHABILITATION

THIS CONTRACT (the “Contract”), is made and entered into this ___ day of _____________, 2018 by and between the Inland Empire Utilities Agency, a Municipal Water District, organized and existing in the County of San Bernardino under and by virtue of the laws of the State of California (hereinafter referred to interchangeably as “IEUA” and “Agency”) and G.S.E. Construction Company, Inc., with offices located in Livermore, California (hereinafter referred to as "Contractor"), for the RP-5 Dynasand Filter Rehabilitation Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and obligations set forth herein, the parties agree as follows:

1. **PROJECT MANAGER ASSIGNMENT**: All technical direction related to this Contract shall come from the designated Project Manager. Details of the Agency’s assignment are listed below.

   Project Manager: James Spears, Associate Engineer  
   Address: 6075 Kimball Avenue, Building "B"  
   Chino, CA 91708  
   Telephone: (909) 993-1851  
   Email: jspears@ieua.org  
   Facsimile: (909) 993-1982

2. **CONTRACTOR ASSIGNMENT**: Special inquiries related to this Contract and the effects of this Contract shall be referred to the following:

   Project Manager: Richard Harte  
   Address: 26027 Huntington Lane, Unit "D"  
   Valencia, CA 91355  
   Telephone: (661) 295-4960  
   Email: rharte@gseconstruction.com  
   Facsimile: (661) 295-5031
3. **ORDER OF PRECEDENCE:** The documents referenced below represent the Contract Documents. Where any conflicts exist between the General Terms and Conditions, or addenda attached, then the governing order of precedence shall be as follows:

   A. Amendments to Contract number 4600002494.  
   B. Contract number 4600002494 General Terms and Conditions.  
   C. Agency's Invitation for Bid IFB-RW-18-011 and all germane Addenda, incorporated herein by this reference.  
   D. Contractor's bid dated February 13, 2018 (Attachment 1).

4. **SCOPE OF WORK AND SERVICES:** Contractor services and responsibilities shall include and be in accordance with the Agency's Invitation for Bid IFB-RW-18-011, incorporated herein by this reference.

5. **TERM:** The term of this Contract shall extend from the date of the Notice to Proceed, and terminate on June 29, 2018, unless agreed to by both parties, reduced to writing, and amended to this Contract.

6. **PAYMENT, INVOICING AND COMPENSATION:** The Contractor shall submit once-monthly invoicing, basis materials and labor completed to-date. IEUA shall pay the Contractor's invoice within thirty (30) days following receipt of the approved invoice. Payment will be withheld for any service which does not meet the requirements of this Contract, until such service is revised, the invoice resubmitted and accepted by the Project Manager.

   All invoices shall be submitted electronically with all required back-up to apgroup@ieua.org.

   Contractor shall provide with their invoice certified payroll verifying that Consultant has paid prevailing wage in accordance with the Department of Industrial Relations requirements as stipulated in SB-854 [http://www.dir.ca.gov/Public-Works/Certified-Payroll-Reporting.html].

   **Effective January 1, 2015:** The call for bids and contract documents must include the following information:

   A. No contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal for a public works project (submitted on or after March 1, 2015) unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 [with limited exceptions from this requirement for bid purposes only under Labor Code section 1771.1(a)].

   B. No contractor or subcontractor may be awarded a contract for public work on a public works project (awarded on or after April 1, 2015) unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5.
C. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. As such, a PWC-100 will be generated.

As compensation for the work performed under this Contract, Agency shall pay Contractor a **not-to-exceed maximum $476,800.00** for all work satisfactorily provided hereunder in accordance with Attachment 1, referenced herein, attached hereto, and made a part hereof.

7. **INSURANCE:** During the term of this Contract, the Consultant shall maintain at Consultant’s sole expense, the following insurance.

A. **Minimum Scope of Insurance:** Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

1. Commercial General Liability (CGL): Insurance Services Office (ISO) Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an “occurrence” basis, including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than $1,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location (ISO CG 25 03 or 25 04) or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.

   a. The insurance shall include coverage for each of the following hazards:

   - Premises – Operations
   - Owners and Contractors Damage
   - Broad Form Property Damage
   - Contractual for Specific Contract
   - Severability of Interests or Cross-Liability
   - XCU [Explosion, Collapse and Underground] Hazards
   - Personal Injury – with the “Employee” Exclusion Deleted

2. Automobile Liability: ISO Form Number CA 00 01 covering any auto (Code 1), or if Consultant has no owned autos, covering hired, (Code 8) and non-owned autos (Code 9), with limit no less than $1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.

3. Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability: Workers' compensation limits as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer’s Liability Insurance with limit of no less than $1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.

4. Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions): Insurance appropriates to the Consultant’s profession, with limit no less than $1,000,000 per occurrence or claim, $2,000,000 aggregate.

5. Payment, Labor & Material, and Performance Bonds: Bonding is required, per Public Contract Code Article 121, Section 21565, for public works projects. All construction-related labor for this project is designated as the
public works portion of this project and therefore subject to prevailing wage. Contractor and subcontractor shall furnish bonding with the use of IEUA forms as furnished by Project Manager or their designee.

B. **Deductibles and Self-Insured Retention**: Any deductibles or self-insured retention must be declared to and approved by the Agency. At the option of the Agency, either: the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retention as respects the Agency, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers; or the Consultant shall procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claims administration and defense expenses.

C. **Other Insurance Provisions**: The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

1. **General Liability and Automobile Liability Coverage**
   
a. **Additional Insured Status**: The Agency, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Consultant including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Consultant's insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or both CG 20 10, CG 20 26, CG 20 33, or CG 20 38; and CG 20 37 forms if later revisions used).

   b. **Primary Coverage**: The Consultant's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance coverage at least as broad as ISO CG 20 01 04 13 as respects the Agency, its officer, officials, employees and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the Agency, its officers, officials, employees, volunteers, property owners or engineers under contract with the Agency shall be excess of the Consultant's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

   c. Any failure to comply with reporting provisions of the policies shall not affect coverage provided to the Agency, its officers, officials, employees or volunteers.

   d. The Consultant's insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom claim is made or suit is brought, except with respect to the limits of the insurer's liability.

   e. The Consultant may satisfy the limit requirements in a single policy or multiple policies. Any such additional policies written as excess insurance shall not provide any less coverage than that provided by the first or primary policy.
2. Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability Coverage

The insurer hereby grants to Agency a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Consultant may acquire against the Agency by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Consultant agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the Agency has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

3. All Coverages

Each insurance policy required by this contract shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled by either party, reduced in coverage or in limits except after thirty (30) days prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, has been given to the Agency.

D. Acceptability of Insurers: All insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A-:VII, and who are admitted insurers in the State of California.

E. Verification of Coverage: Consultant shall furnish the Agency with original certificates and amendatory endorsements or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this clause. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the Agency before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Consultant's obligation to provide them. The Agency reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time.

F. Submittal of Certificates: Consultant shall submit all required certificates and endorsements to the following:

Inland Empire Utilities Agency, a Municipal Water District
Attn: Angela Witte, Risk Specialist
P.O. Box 9020
Chino Hills, California 91709
email awitte@ieuua.org

8. CONTROL OF THE WORK: Contractor shall perform the Work in compliance with the Work Schedule. If performance of the Work falls behind schedule, the Contractor shall accelerate the performance of the Work to comply with the Work Schedule as directed by the Project Manager. If the nature of the Work is such that Contractor is unable to accelerate the Work, Contractor shall promptly notify the Project Manager of the delay, the causes of the delay, and submit a proposed revised Work Schedule.
9. **LEGAL RELATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

A. **Professional Responsibility:** The Contractor shall be responsible, to the level of competency presently maintained by other practicing professionals performing the same or similar type of work.

B. **Status of Contractor:** The Contractor is retained as an independent Contractor only, for the sole purpose of rendering the services described herein, and is not an employee of the Agency.

C. **Observing Laws and Ordinances:** The Contractor shall keep itself fully informed of all existing and future state and federal laws and all county and city ordinances and regulations which in any manner affect the conduct of any services or tasks performed under this Contract, and of all such orders and decrees of bodies or tribunals having any jurisdiction or authority over the same. The Contractor shall at all times observe and comply with all such existing and future laws, ordinances, regulations, orders and decrees, and shall protect and indemnify, as required herein, the Agency, its officers, employees and agents against any claim or liability arising from or based on the violation of any such law, ordinance, regulation, order or decree, whether by the Contractor or its employees.

Effective July 1, 2014, all Contractors must be registered with the California Dept. of Industrial Relations as required by law SB-854 for public works construction projects:


D. **Confined Space Work:**

I. Precautions and Programs:

a. The Contractor shall be responsible for initiating, maintaining, and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the work or the activities of subcontractors, suppliers, and others at the work site.

b. The Contractors and subcontractors shall comply with the provisions of the Safety and Health Regulations for Construction, promulgated by the Secretary of Labor under Section 107 of the "Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act," as set forth in Title 29 C.F.R. If the Agency is notified of an alleged violation of the Occupational Safety and Health Standards referred to in this Section and it is established that there is a violation, the Contractor shall be subject to liquidated damages as provided in the Contract.

c. The Contractor and all subcontractors shall comply with the provisions of the Occupational Safety and Health Standards, promulgated by the United States Secretary of Labor under the "Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970," as set forth in Title 29, C.F.R. Where an individual State act on occupational safety and health standards has been
approved by federal authority, then the provisions of said state act shall control.

d. The Contractor shall take all necessary precautions for the safety of, and shall provide the necessary supervision, control, and direction to prevent damage, injury, or loss to:

1) All employees on the work or work site and other persons and organizations who may be affected thereby;

2) All the work and materials and equipment to be incorporated therein, whether in storage or on or off the work site; and

3) All other property at the site.

e. Contract work requiring confined space entry must follow Cal-OSHA Regulation 8 CCR, Sections 5157 - 5158. This regulation requires the following to be submitted to IEUA for approval prior to the start of the project:

1) Proof of training on confined space procedures, as defined in Cal-OSHA Regulation 8 CCR, Section 5157. This regulation also requires the following to be submitted to IEUA for approval prior to the entry of a confined space:

2) A written plan that includes identification of confined spaces within the construction site, alternate procedures where appropriate, contractor provisions, specific procedures for permit-required and non-permit required spaces, and a rescue plan.

f. The Contractor must also submit a copy of their Safety Program or IIPP prior to the start of the project for approval by the Safety & Risk Department.

E. Subcontract Services: Any subcontracts for the performance of any services under this Contract shall be subject to the written approval of the Project Manager.

F. Hours of Labor: The Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of California Labor Code Sections 1810 to 1817 relating to working hours. The Contractor shall, as a penalty to the Agency, forfeit $25.00 for each worker employed in the execution of the Contract by the Contractor or by any subcontractor for each calendar day during which such worker is required or permitted to work more than eight hours in any one calendar day and forty (40) hours in any one calendar week in violation of the provisions of the Labor Code.

G. Travel and Subsistence Pay: The Contractor shall make payment to each worker for travel and subsistence payments which are needed to execute the work and/or service, as such travel and subsistence payments are defined in the applicable collective bargaining agreements with the worker.
H. **Liens:** Contractor shall pay all sums of money that become due from any labor, services, materials or equipment furnished to Contractor on account of said services to be rendered or said materials to be furnished under this Contract and that may be secured by any lien against the Agency. Contractor shall fully discharge each such lien at the time performance of the obligation secured matures and becomes due.

I. **Indemnification:** Contractor shall indemnify IEUA, its directors, employees, agents, and assigns, and shall defend and hold them harmless from all liability, demands, actions, claims, losses, and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, which arise out of or are related to the negligence, recklessness or willful misconduct of Contractor, its directors, employees, agents and assigns, in the performance of work under this contract.

J. **Conflict of Interest:** No official of the Agency who is authorized in such capacity and on behalf of the Agency to negotiate, make, accept or approve, or to take part in negotiating, making, accepting or approving this Contract, or any subcontract relating to services or tasks to be performed pursuant to this Contract, shall become directly or indirectly personally interested in this Contract.

K. **Equal Opportunity:** During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor shall not unlawfully discriminate against any employee or employment applicant because of race, color, religion, sex, age, marital status, ancestry, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation, veteran status or national origin.

L. **Disputes:**

1. All disputes arising out of or in relation to this Contract shall be determined in accordance with this section. The Contractor shall pursue the work to completion in accordance with the instruction of the Agency's Project Manager notwithstanding the existence of dispute. By entering into this Contract, both parties are obligated, and hereby agree, to submit all disputes arising under or relating to the Contract which remain unresolved after the exhaustion of the procedures provided herein, to independent arbitration. Except as otherwise provided herein, arbitration shall be conducted under California Code of Civil Procedure Sections 1280, et seq, or their successor.

2. Any and all disputes during the pendency of the work shall be subject to resolution by the Agency Project Manager and the Contractor shall comply, pursuant to the Agency Project Manager instructions. If the Contractor is not satisfied with any such resolution by the Agency Project Manager, they may file a written protest with the Agency Project Manager within seven (7) calendar days after receiving written notice of the Agency's decision. Failure by Contractor to file a written protest within seven (7) calendar days shall constitute waiver of protest, and acceptance of the Agency Project Manager's resolution. The Agency's Project Manager shall submit the
Contractor's written protests to the General Manager, together with a copy of the Agency Project Manager's written decision, for his or her consideration within seven (7) calendar days after receipt of said protest(s). The General Manager shall make his or her determination with respect to each protest filed with the Agency Project Manager within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of said protest(s). If Contractor is not satisfied with any such resolution by the General Manager, they may file a written request for arbitration with the Project Manager within seven (7) calendar days after receiving written notice of the General Manager's decision.

3. In the event of arbitration, the parties hereto agree that there shall be a single neutral Arbitrator who shall be selected in the following manner:

a. The Demand for Arbitration shall include a list of five names of persons acceptable to the Contractor to be appointed as Arbitrator. The Agency shall determine if any of the names submitted by Contractor are acceptable and, if so, such person will be designated as Arbitrator.

b. In the event that none of the names submitted by Contractor are acceptable to Agency, or if for any reason the Arbitrator selected in Step (a) is unable to serve, the Agency shall submit to Contractor a list of five names of persons acceptable to Agency for appointment as Arbitrator. The Contractor shall, in turn, have seven (7) calendar days in which to determine if one such person is acceptable.

c. If after Steps (a) and (b), the parties are unable to mutually agree upon a neutral Arbitrator, the matter of selection of an Arbitrator shall be submitted to the San Bernardino County Superior Court pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 1281.6, or its successor. The costs of arbitration, including but not limited to reasonable attorneys' fees, shall be recoverable by the party prevailing in the arbitration. If this arbitration is appealed to a court pursuant to the procedure under California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1294, et. seq., or their successor, the costs of arbitration shall also include court costs associated with such appeals, including but not limited to reasonable attorneys' fees which shall be recoverable by the prevailing party.

4. Joinder in Mediation/Arbitration: The Agency may join the Contractor in mediation or arbitration commenced by a contractor on the Project pursuant to Public Contracts Code Sections 20104 et seq. Such joinder shall be initiated by written notice from the Agency's representative to the Contractor.

N. Workers' Legal Status: For performance against this Contract, Supplier shall only utilize employees and/or subcontractors that are authorized to work in the United States pursuant to the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.
O. **Prevailing Wage Requirements:** Pursuant to Section 1770 and following, of the California Labor Code, the Contractor shall not pay less that the general prevailing wage rates, as determined by the Director of the State of California Department of Industrial Relations for the locality in which the work is to be performed and for each craft or type of worker needed to execute the work contemplated under the Contract. The Contractor or any subcontractor performing part of said work shall strictly adhere to all provisions of the Labor Code, including, but not limited to, minimum wages, workdays, nondiscrimination, apprentices, maintenance and availability of accurate payroll records and any other matters required under all Federal, State and local laws related to labor [http://www.dir.ca.gov/PublicWorks/PublicWorks.html].

10. **FITNESS FOR DUTY:**

A. **Fitness:** Consultant and its Subcontractor personnel on the Jobsite:

1. shall report for work in a manner fit to do their job;

2. shall not be under the influence of or in possession of any alcoholic beverages or of any controlled substance (except a controlled substance as prescribed by a physician so long as the performance or safety of the Work is not affected thereby); and

3. shall not have been convicted of any serious criminal offense which, by its nature, may have a discernible adverse impact on the business or reputation of Agency.

B. **Compliance:** Consultant shall advise all contractor and subcontractor personnel and associated third parties of the requirements of this Contract ("Fitness for Duty Requirements") before they enter on the Jobsite and shall immediately remove from the Jobsite any employee determined to be in violation of these requirements. Consultant shall impose these requirements on its Subcontractors. Agency may cancel the Contract if Consultant violates these Fitness for Duty Requirements.

11. **OWNERSHIP OF MATERIALS AND DOCUMENTS/CONFIDENTIALITY:** The Agency retains ownership of any and all partial or complete reports, drawings, plans, notes, computations, lists, and/or other materials, documents, information, or data prepared by the Contractor and/or the Contractor's subcontractor(s) pertaining to this Contract. Said materials and documents are confidential and shall be available to the Agency from the moment of their preparation, and the Contractor shall deliver same to the Agency whenever requested to do so by the Project Manager and/or Agency. The Contractor agrees that same shall not be made available to any individual or organization, private or public, without the prior written consent of the Agency.
12. **PUBLIC RECORDS POLICY:** Information made available to the Agency may be subject to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Section 6250 et seq.) The Agency's use and disclosure of its records are governed by this Act. The Agency shall use its best efforts to notify Contractor of any requests for disclosure of any documents pertaining to Contractor.

In the event of litigation concerning disclosure of information Contractor considers exempt from disclosure; (e.g., Trade Secret, Confidential, or Proprietary) Agency shall act as a stakeholder only, holding the information until otherwise ordered by a court or other legal process. If Agency is required to defend an action arising out of a Public Records Act request for any of the information Contractor has marked "Confidential," "Proprietary," or "Trade Secret," Contractor shall defend and indemnify Agency from all liability, damages, costs, and expenses, including attorneys' fees, in any action or proceeding arising under the Public Records Act.

13. **NON-CONFORMING WORK AND WARRANTY:** Contractor represents and warrants that the Work shall be in conformance with the specifications provided herein and shall serve the purposes described. For a period of not less than one (1) year after acceptance of the completed Work, Contractor shall, at no additional cost to Agency, correct any and all errors or shortcomings of the Work, regardless of whether any such errors or shortcomings is brought to the attention of the Contractor by Agency, or any other person or entity.

13. **NOTICES:** Any notice may be served upon either party by delivering it in person, or by depositing it in a United States Mail deposit box with the postage thereon fully prepaid, and addressed to the party at the address set forth below:

**Agency:** Inland Empire Utilities Agency, a Municipal Water District
Attn: Mr. Warren T. Green
Manager of Contracts and Procurement
P.O. Box 9020
Chino Hills, California 91709-0902

**Contractor:** G.S.E. Construction Company, Inc.
Attn: Ms. Sue Gutierrez
Secretary and Chief Financial Officer
6950 Preston Avenue
Livermore, CA 94551

Any notice given hereunder shall be deemed effective in the case of personal delivery, upon receipt thereof, or, in the case of mailing, at the moment of deposit in the course of transmission with the United States Postal Service.

15. **SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS:** All of the terms, conditions and provisions of this Contract shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Agency, the Contractor, and their respective successors and assigns. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no assignment
of the duties or benefits of the Contractor under this Contract may be assigned, transferred or otherwise disposed of without the prior written consent of the Agency; and any such purported or attempted assignment, transfer or disposal without the prior written consent of the Agency shall be null, void and of no legal effect whatsoever.

16. **INTEGRATION:** The Contract Documents represent the entire Contract of the Agency and the Contractor as to those matters contained herein. No prior oral or written understanding shall be of any force or effect with respect to those matters covered by the Contract Documents. This Contract may not be modified, altered or amended except by written mutual agreement by the Agency and the Contractor.

17. **GOVERNING LAW:** This Contract is to be governed by and constructed in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

18. **TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE:** The Agency reserves and has the right to immediately suspend, cancel or terminate this Contract at any time upon written notice to the Contractor. In the event of such termination, the Agency shall pay Contractor for all authorized and Contractor-invoiced services up to the date of such termination.

19. **RIGHT TO AUDIT:** The Agency reserves the right to review and/or audit all Contractor's records related to the Work. The option to review and/or audit may be exercised during the term of the Contract, upon termination, upon completion of the Contract, or at any time thereafter up to twelve (12) months after final payment has been made to Contractor. The Contractor shall make all records and related documentation available within three (3) working days after said records are requested by the Agency.

20. **FORCE MAJEURE:** Neither party shall hold the other responsible for the effects of acts occurring beyond their control; e.g., war, riots, strikes, natural disasters, etcetera.

21. **LIQUIDATED DAMAGES:** Liquidated Damages, in the amount of $500.00 per day, may be assessed by the Agency for each calendar day that the Contractor fails to complete this project in accordance with its final, contractually-committed delivery schedule. Any and all Liquidated Damages assessed by the Agency will be taken as a direct credit against the Contractor's invoice for this project. The Contractor's acceptance of a contract subsequently issued in conjunction with this solicitation, shall serve to indicate acceptance of this Liquidated Damages clause, and the daily assessment of damages expressed herein.

22. **CHANGES:** The Agency may, at any time, make changes to this Contract's Scope of Work; including additions, reductions and other alterations to any or all of the work. However, such changes shall only be made via written amendment to this Contract. The Contract Price and Work Schedule shall be equitably adjusted, if required, to account for such changes and shall be set forth within the Contract Amendment.

23. **NOTICE TO PROCEED:** No services shall be performed or furnished under this Contract unless and until this document has been properly signed by all responsible parties and a Notice to Proceed order has been issued to the Contractor.
AS WITNESS HEREOF, the parties hereto have caused the Contract to be entered as of the day and year written above.

INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY:  
(a Municipal Water District)

__________________________   ____________________________  
Halla H. Razak               L. Orlandó Gutierrez   2/27/18
General Manager              President                 (Date)       (Date)

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ACTION ITEM 1D
Date: March 21, 2018
To: The Honorable Board of Directors
From: Halla Razak, General Manager
Committee: Engineering, Operations & Water Resources

Executive Contact: Chris Berch, Executive Manager of Engineering/AGM
Subject: RP-1 Power System Upgrades Phase II Construction Contract Award

Executive Summary:
Regional Water Recycling Plant No. 1 (RP-1) tertiary treatment facility operates a recycled water pump station (RWPS) that delivers recycled water to the IEUA service area. Currently, there is insufficient power capacity to run all the recycled water pumps simultaneously in addition to a lack of a back-up power source. As a result, the RP-1 Power System Upgrades Project will upgrade the existing power system at the tertiary treatment facility to provide adequate power to the RWPS and to accommodate future capital projects. Phase I constructed conduits to connect the power reliability building to a manhole in preparation for Phase II. Phase II (this project) will expand the existing 12kV switchboard by installing new cabinets, power distribution panels, and replace one transformer concrete pad at the tertiary treatment facility.

On February 8, 2018, IEUA received four construction bids from pre-qualified contractors on the under $2 million list. Henkels & McCoy was the lowest responsive, responsible bidder with a bid price of $358,812.54.

Staff's Recommendation:
1. Award a construction contract for the RP-1 Power System Upgrades Phase II, Project No. EN13048, to Henkels & McCoy in the amount of $358,812.54; and

2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the contract.

Budget Impact

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Account/Project Name:
EN13048/RP-1 Power System Upgrades Phase II

Fiscal Impact (explain if not budgeted):
None.

Full account coding (internal AP purposes only): 127155 - 1000 - 10800 - 540000 Project No.: EN13048
Prior Board Action:

On February 15, 2017, the Board of Directors approved an amendment for additional design efforts for the RP-1 Power System Upgrades, Project No. EN13048, to Tetra Tech, Inc., for the not-to-exceed amount of $205,825.
On April 15, 2015, the Board of Directors approved the consulting engineering services contract for the RP-1 Power System Upgrades, Project No. EN13048, to Tetra Tech, Inc., for the not-to-exceed amount of $269,380.

Environmental Determination:
Categorical Exemption

CEQA identifies certain categories of projects as exempt from more detailed environmental review because these categories have been deemed to have no potential for significant impact on the environment. This project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption Class 1 as defined in Section 15301(b) of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Business Goal:

The RP-1 Power System Upgrades Project is consistent with IEUA’s Business Goal of Water Reliability of commitment to providing a reliable and cost-effective water supply; and promoting sustainable water use throughout the region.

Attachments:
Attachment 1 - PowerPoint
Attachment 2 - Construction Contract
RP-1 Power System Upgrades (Phase II)
Construction Contract Award
Project No. EN13048

Adham Almasri, P.E., PMP
March 2018
The Project

- Install new conduits to the 12kV switchboard
- Expand the 12kV switchboard to accommodate new feeds
- Replace the following:
  - Distribution panel in the control building basement
  - East wall switchboard
  - Spalled concrete transformer pad
  - Aluminum wiring
Four bids were received on February 8, 2018:

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**Recommendation**

- Award a construction contract for the RP-1 Power System Upgrades (Phase II), Project No. EN13048, to Henkels & McCoy in the amount of $358,812.54; and
- Authorize the General Manager to execute the contract.

The RP-1 Power System Upgrades Project is consistent with IEUA's *Business Goal of Water Reliability* of commitment to providing a reliable and cost-effective water supply; and promoting sustainable water use throughout the region.
1.0 CONTRACT

THIS CONTRACT, made and entered into this 21st day of March 2018, by and between Henkles and McCoy, Inc., hereinafter referred to as "Contractor," and The Inland Empire Utilities Agency, a Municipal Water District, located in San Bernardino County, California, hereinafter referred to as "Agency".

WITNESSETH:

That for and in consideration of the promises and agreements hereinafter made and exchanged, the Agency and the Contractor agree as follows:

1. Contractor agrees to perform and complete in a workmanlike manner, all work required under the bidding schedule of said Agency's specifications entitled SPECIFICATIONS FOR the RP-1 POWER SYSTEM UPGRADES PHASE II, in accordance with the specifications and drawings, and to furnish at their own expense, all labor, materials, equipment, tools, and services necessary, except such materials, equipment, and services as may be stipulated in said specifications to be furnished by said Agency, and to do everything required by this Contract and the said specifications and drawings.

2. For furnishing all said labor, materials, equipment, tools, and services, furnishing and removing all plant, temporary structures, tools and equipment, and doing everything required by this Contract and said specifications and drawings; also for all loss and damage arising out of the nature of the work aforesaid, or from the action of the elements, or from any unforeseen difficulties which may arise during the prosecution of the work until its acceptance by said Agency, and for all risks of every description connected with the work; also for all expenses resulting from the suspension or discontinuance of work, except as in the said specifications are expressly stipulated to be borne by said Agency; and for completing the work in accordance with the requirements of said specifications and drawings, said Agency will pay and said Contractor shall receive, in full compensation therefore, the price(s) set forth in this Contract.

3. That the Agency will pay the Contractor progress payments and the final payment, in accordance with the provisions of the contract documents, with warrants drawn on the appropriate fund or funds as required, at the prices bid in the Bidding and Contract Requirements, Section C - Bid Forms and accepted by the Agency, and set forth in this below.

Total Bid Price: Three Hundred Fifty-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Twelve Dollars and Fifty-Four Cents; $358,812.54

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT: THE RP-1 POWER SYSTEM UPGRADES PHASE II
If this is not a lump sum bid and the contract price is dependent upon the quantities constructed, the Agency will pay and said Contractor shall receive, in full compensation for the work the prices named in the Bidding and Contract Requirements, Section C - Bid Forms.

4. The Agency hereby employs the Contractor to perform the work according to the terms of this Contract for the above-mentioned price(s), and agrees to pay the same at the time, in the manner, and upon the conditions stipulated in the said specifications; and the said parties for themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, do hereby agree to the full performance of the covenants herein contained.

5. The Notice Inviting Bids, Instructions to Bidders, Bid Forms, Information Required of Bidder, Performance Bond, Payment Bond, Contractors License Declaration, Specifications, Drawings, all General Conditions and all Special Conditions, and all addenda issued by the Agency with respect to the foregoing prior to the opening of bids, are hereby incorporated in and made part of this Contract, as if fully set forth.

6. The Contractor agrees to commence work under this Contract on or before the date to be specified in a written "Notice To Proceed" and to complete said work to the satisfaction of the Agency **210 calendar days** after award of the Contract. All work shall be completed before final payment is made.

7. Time is of the essence on this Contract.

8. Contractor agrees that in case the work is not completed before or upon the expiration of the contract time, damage will be sustained by the Agency, and that it is and will be impracticable to determine the actual damage which the Agency will sustain in the event and by reason of such delay, and it is therefore agreed that the Contractor shall pay to the Agency the amount of **Three thousand ($3,000) dollars** for each day of delay, which shall be the period between the expiration of the contract time and the date of final acceptance by the Agency, as liquidated damages and not as a penalty. It is further agreed that the amount stipulated for liquidated damages per day of delay is a reasonable estimate of the damages that would be sustained by the Agency, and the Contractor agrees to pay such liquidated damages as herein provided. In case the liquidated damages are not paid, the Contractor agrees that the Agency may deduct the amount thereof from any money due or that may become due to the Contractor by progress payments or otherwise under the Contract, or if said amount is not sufficient, recover the total amount.

In addition to the liquidated damages, which may be imposed if the Contractor fails to complete the work within the time agreed upon, the Agency may also deduct from any sums due or to become due the Contractor, liquidated damages in
accordance with the Bidding and Contract Requirements, Section B - Instruction to Bidders, Part 5.0 "Liquidated Damages", for any violation of the General Conditions, Section D - Contractor's Responsibilities, Part 8, "Law and Regulations"; Bidding and Contract Requirements Contract Section D – Contract and Relevant Documents, Part 1.0, Paragraphs 9 through 11; General Conditions, Section D – Contractor's Responsibilities, Part 4.0, "Labor, Materials and Equipment"; General Conditions Section D – Contractor's Responsibilities, Part 12.0, "Safety and Protection" or General Conditions Section H – Legal Responsibilities, Part 8.0, "Disturbance of the Peace".

9. That the Contractor will pay, and will require subcontractors to pay, employees on the work a salary or wage at least equal to the prevailing salary or wage established for such work as set forth in the wage determinations and wage standards applicable to this work, contained in or referenced in the contract documents.

10. That, in accordance with Section 1775 of the California Labor Code, Contractor shall forfeit to the Agency, as a penalty, not more than Fifty ($50.00) Dollars for each day, or portion thereof, for each worker paid, either by the Contractor or any subcontractor, less than the prevailing rates as determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations for the work.

11. That, except as provided in Section 1815 of the California Labor Code, in the performance of the work not more than eight (8) hours shall constitute a day's work, and not more than forty (40) hours shall constitute a week's work; that the Contractor shall not require more than eight (8) hours of labor in a day nor more than forty hours of labor in a week from any person employed by the Contractor or any subcontractor; that the Contractor shall conform to Division 2, Part 7, Chapter 1, Article 3 (Section 1810, et seq.) of the California Labor Code; and that the Contractor shall forfeit to the Agency, as a penalty, the sum of Twenty-Five ($25.00) Dollars for each worker employed in the execution of the work by Contractor or any subcontractor for each day during which any worker is required or permitted to labor more than eight (8) hours in violation of said Article 3.

12. That the Contractor shall carry Workers' Compensation Insurance and require all subcontractors to carry Workers' Compensation Insurance as required by the California Labor Code.

13. That the Contractor shall have furnished, prior to execution of the Contract, two bonds approved by the Agency, one in the amount of one hundred (100) percent of the contract price, to guarantee the faithful performance of the work, and one in the amount of one hundred (100) percent of the contract price to guarantee payment of all claims for labor and materials furnished.

14. The Contractor hereby agrees to protect, defend, indemnify and hold the Agency
and its employees, agents, officers, directors, servants and volunteers free and harmless from any and all liability, claims, judgments, costs and demands, including demands arising from injuries or death of persons (including employees of the Agency and the Contractor) and damage to property, arising directly or indirectly out of the obligation herein undertaken or out of the operations conducted by the Contractor, its employees agents, representatives or subcontractors under or in connection with this Contract.

The Contractor further agrees to investigate, handle, respond to, provide defense for and defend any such claims, demands or suit at the sole expense of the Contractor.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The Contractor and the General Manager of Inland Empire Utilities Agency*, thereunto duly authorized, have caused the names of said parties to be affixed hereto, each in duplicate, the day and year first above written.


By ____________________________
General Manager

______________________________
Contractor

Title

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT: THE RP-1 POWER SYSTEM UPGRADES PHASE II
Date: March 21, 2018
To: The Honorable Board of Directors
From: Halla Razak, General Manager
Committee: Engineering, Operations & Water Resources

Executive Contact: Chris Berch, Executive Manager of Engineering/AGM
Subject: RP-1 Disinfection Improvements Consultant Contract Amendment

Executive Summary:
In September 2016, IEUA awarded an engineering services contract to Carollo Engineers for the preliminary design report on the Regional Water Recycling Plant No. 1 (RP-1) Disinfection Improvements Project. In March 2017, IEUA issued amendment no. 1 to Carollo Engineers for final design services. In September 2017, amendment no. 2 was issued for additional AC paving, in-ground vault replacements, and area lighting modifications requested by Operations. During the final design efforts, value engineering was pursued to reduce overall construction costs resulting in several design changes. The design changes consisted of the elimination of a secondary dosing location, relocation of the old effluent structure mixing station to the pressure outfall pump station, elimination of unnecessary gates, modified control strategy, elimination of excess mixing pumps, and coordination with the SCADA migration project. The elimination of the items above from the project lowers project cost by approximately $1 million.

The expanded scope of work from the value engineering recommendations will require an additional level of effort by the design consultant. A contract amendment is requested for an amount of $56,354 to cover the additional engineering design services, increasing Carollo's contract from $535,971 to $592,325.

Staff's Recommendation:
1. Approve a consultant contract amendment for the RP-1 Disinfection Improvements, Project No. EN11039, to Carollo Engineers for a not-to-exceed amount of $56,354; and
2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the contract amendment subject to non-substantive changes.

Budget Impact

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Account/Project Name:
EN11039/RP-1 Disinfection Improvements Project

Fiscal Impact (explain if not budgeted): None.

Full account coding (internal AP purposes only): 1000 127151 10900 595000 Project No.: EN11039
Prior Board Action:
On March 15, 2017, the Board of Directors approved a contract amendment for engineering consulting services for the RP-1 Disinfection Improvements, Project No. EN11039, to Carollo Engineers for a not-to-exceed amount of $398,324.

Environmental Determination:
Categorical Exemption
CEQA identifies certain categories of projects as exempt from more detailed environmental review because these categories have been deemed to have no potential for significant impact on the environment. This project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption Class 1 as defined in Section 15301(b) of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Business Goal:
The RP-1 Disinfection Improvements Project is consistent with IEUA’s Business Goal of Wastewater Management, specifically the Asset Management and Water Quality objectives that IEUA will ensure that systems are well maintained, upgraded to meet evolving requirements, sustainably managed, and can accommodate changes in regional water use to protect public health, the environment, and meet anticipated regulatory requirements.

Attachments:
Attachment 1 - Consultant Contract Amendment
Date: December 12, 2017
Consultant: Carollo Engineers, Inc.

Amendment 3 to Task Order Number: 01
Contract Number: 4600002052

Project / Task Description: Regional Water Reclamation Plant No. 1 TP-1 Disinfection Pump Improvements

I. RECITALS

This Task Order Amendment is issued for the procurement of additional on-call engineering support services needed in conjunction with an Inland Empire Utilities Agency ("Agency") facilities Project EN11039.00.

Agency and Consultant previously entered into Master Services Contract No. 4600002052. Except as otherwise specified herein, the terms and conditions of that Agreement are incorporated into this Task Order via this reference.

II. TASK ORDER AMENDMENT AGREEMENTS

1. **Scope Of Work Is Changed To Read:** Consultant shall furnish the additional qualified personnel and equipment necessary to perform the work at the Regional Plant Number One (RP-1) as requested by Agency staff and as listed in Consultant’s Proposal dated December 11, 2017, attached hereto and made a part hereof as Attachment 2.

2. **Period Of Performance Is Changed To Read:** From date of Project Manager’s Notice to Proceed through written acceptance by Project Manager of all work performed. All work is to be performed in a timely manner and in accordance with the Project Manager’s schedule, unless agreed to by both parties, reduced to writing, and amended to this Task Order.

3. **Compensation Is Changed To Read:** Authorized total payments to Consultant for performance of this Task Order shall sum to a **not-to-exceed maximum total of $592,325.00**. This represents an increase of $56,354.00 (NOTE: Labor rates are based on submitted rates included in the Master contract.)

**Balance Of This Task Order Remains Unchanged.**

[ Signature Page Immediately Follows ]
III. SIGNATURES

INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY: (A MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT)

Halla H. Razak
General Manager

Date: __________________________

CAROLLO ENGINEERS, INC.:

Dr. Graham J. G. Juby, PE
Principal-in-Charge/Vice President

Date: __________________________

Eric M. Mills, P.E.
Senior Vice President

Date: December 18, 2017

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December 11, 2017

Mr. Matthew A. Poeske, P.E.
Construction Project Manager
Inland Empire Utilities Agency
6075 Kimball Avenue
Chino, CA 91708

Subject: RP-1 Disinfection Improvements Project (EN11039) - Amendment No. 3 Justification and Request

Dear Mr. Poeske:

As requested, Carollo Engineers, Inc. (Carollo), has drafted a request for Amendment No. 3 for the RP-1 Disinfection Improvements Project (EN11039) for additional Value Engineering scope of work that was added to the project in order to evaluate ways to reduce the capital cost estimate. This work resulted in capital cost savings of about $1.5 million.

Background

In September 2016, Carollo was selected by the Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) for the preliminary design of the RP-1 Disinfection Improvements Project. Following the preliminary design, Amendment No. 1 was issued to Carollo for Final Design services. During the course of the final design, Carollo began working with Engineering and Operations staff to value engineer the project to reduce the overall cost. As a result of this work several design changes were made to achieve the capital cost savings:

i. Value Engineering Design Changes
   a. Elimination of the secondary sodium hypochlorite dosing location,
   b. Relocation of the Old Effluent Structure (OES) Flash Mix Pump Station to the existing Pressure Outfall Pump Station,
   d. Elimination of the OES and NES Flash Mixing Pump VFDs

ii. SCADA Migration Project
   a. Coordination with the current RP-1 SCADA Migration Project to match schedules and provide equipment tagging updates.

Carollo has developed a detailed estimate to arrive at a list of additional drawings, additional engineering time and additional Project Management time to complete the value engineering effort, which totals approximately $56,000.

Design Scope Modifications due to Value Engineering - Project EN11039

Following the 50% design submittal, Carollo worked with IEUA Engineering and Operations staff to evaluate four Value Engineering ideas. Although these changed the direction of the project from that shown in the Preliminary Design Report, they resulted in approximately $1,500,000 of savings to the total project construction cost. Details are presented below:
a. The need for the secondary sodium hypochlorite dosing location was brought into question by IEUA Operations and Engineering staff. Subsequently, the secondary sodium hypochlorite dosing location was removed from the project to provide overall cost savings. This facility included a vault structure, static mixers, and chemical injection. Prior to removal, the facility was approximately 70% complete. The removal of these facilities resulted in a net reduction to the scope of work for the project, and a resulting credit in engineering time.

b. IEUA Operations staff recommended the use of the Pressure Outfall Pump Station for the location of the new OES Flash Mixing Pumps as an alternative to constructing a new vault. Carollo was directed to investigate the potential of eliminating Pressure Outfall Pumps No. 1 and 2, relocating Pressure Outfall Pumps No. 4 and 5, and locating the new OES flash mix pumps within the existing Pressure Outfall Pump Station. These modifications were evaluated by Carollo and determined to be technically feasible and cost effective. Subsequently, these modifications were implemented into the project design. The changes resulted in the elimination of three drawings from the design: one structural drawing, one mechanical drawing, and one electrical drawing. The three removed drawings were at various levels of completion: 60% for structural, 75% for mechanical, and 30% for electrical. This modification required, one additional site visit, one additional demolition drawing, one additional mechanical drawing, and one additional electrical drawing.

c. Later, during preparation of the 85% design submittal, Carollo was directed by IEUA Engineering and Operations staff to investigate the elimination of the out-of-compliance gates and T-BV-1 Valve Vault and update the out-of-compliance control strategy detailed in the Preliminary Design Report. Carollo developed an hydraulic model of TP-1 downstream of the secondary clarifiers to the tertiary filter influent weirs to determine whether the out-of-compliance gates and T-BV-1 Valve Vault could be removed. The analysis showed that the gates can be removed and Carollo will update the specification and drawings accordingly and submit the changes with the 95% submittal.

d. More recently, IEUA Engineering staff recommended removing the VFDs from the OES and NES Flash Mix Pumps. Carollo is still completing the design and will remove the VFDs from the drawings and specifications and provide an across-the-line starter.

e. Working with IEUA Engineering and Operations staff, it was noted that the SCADA Migration Project was developing plans and specifications to convert the existing Foxboro system to a new Allen Bradley control system. Since this project will occur in the same time frame at EN11039, it made sense to coordinate the projects and the design limits of each. This saved writing one specification, but resulted in added scope in terms of additional meetings that were required - a total of six meetings to date. In addition, updates were required to the Front End and Division 17 Specifications and to the P&IDs.
Schedule

The original schedule had Carollo completing the 100% design and issuing the bidding set before the end of 2018. Amendment No. 2 resulted in delays to the project of approximately two months. The changes to the scope of work resulting from the Value Engineering effort and, in particular, the coordination efforts for the SCADA migration project, for which there was a meeting as recently as November 29, 2017 have resulted in additional delays to the project. We anticipate that the bid set will now be issued in April 2018, approximately four months behind the original schedule.

Amendment Estimate

Carollo identified the additional engineering services to develop and deliver the necessary contract documents for the projects. We developed estimates for additional project management and design services for each project element using a bottoms-up approach. This approach includes identification of project elements and tasks necessary to complete design and construction of the project followed by level-of-effort hours estimate for each project element and task. General project elements and tasks for the bottoms-up level-of-effort estimation approach include:

- Drawings, specifications and calculations.
- Construction cost estimates.
- Project management and meetings.

Our proposed engineering effort estimate for the additional scope of work described above is summarized below and described in detail in the attached table. Table 1 summarizes the additional engineering effort required to complete the Value Engineering tasks and the resulting design modifications associated with the impacts of the SCADA migration coordination described above.

Table 1 Amendment No. 3 - Value Engineering Scope Summary and Budget

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Based on our review of additional scope of work resulting from the Value Engineering effort and the impacts of the SCADA migration project, Carollo requests that IEUA review the attached document and scope of work for discussion. Once the final scope of work and fee has been agreed upon, an amendment to the existing Agreement will be required.

Please let the undersigned know if you have any questions, information requests, or if you would like to sit down and review the scope of work and fee.

Sincerely,

CAROLLO ENGINEERS, INC.

[Signature]

Graham Juby, Ph.D., P.E.
Vice President

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Andrew D. Wiesner, P.E.
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Laboratory Activities

- FY 2018 Samples and Analyses (1st half)
  - Samples – 8,913
    - Compliance – 3,211
    - Discretionary – 5,702
  - Analyses – 29,380
    - Compliance – 14,683
    - Discretionary – 14,697

- New Equipment
  - TOC UV/persulfate
  - Ion Chromatograph

- Staffing
  - Vincent Tran promoted to Laboratory Scientist II
  - Krystal Suetani hired as Laboratory Scientist I
  - Chemist retirement, Lisa Oakden (27 years of service)
  - Chemist recruitment in process
Laboratory Certification

- Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (ELAP)
  - Attended draft regulations workshop, August 1, 2017
  - Draft regulations delayed to summer 2018
  - Lab assessments with contract assessors for Drinking Water Labs

- IEUA Laboratory
  - Certification extended through October 2018
  - Review of all 35 Technical SOPs
  - 2 new Administrative SOPs completed
  - Updating Quality Control Manual
Key Performance Indicators

- **Customer Service**
  - Met or exceeded expected sample turnaround times
  - Implemented Site specific limits in Laboratory Information Management System, January 1, 2018

- **Safety**
  - No significant findings during Lab safety inspections, July 2017

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Water Quality Laboratory (EN15008)

- Current Laboratory Staff Activities
  - Detailed review of mechanical and electrical requirements
  - Preparing for move

- Schedule
  - Completion: July 2018
  - Move: August 2018
INFORMATION
ITEM
2B
Date: March 21, 2018
To: The Honorable Board of Directors    From: Halla Razak, General Manager
Committee: Engineering, Operations & Water Resources    03/14/18

Executive Contact: Chris Berch, Executive Manager of Engineering/AGM
Subject: Water Smart Landscaping in the Inland Empire

Executive Summary:
Water Saving Garden Friendly (WSGF) (watersavinggardenfriendly.com) is a program that helps customers find resources to establish water efficient landscaping. WSGF was founded in 2010 by Eastern Municipal Water District, Inland Empire Utilities Agency, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District, Western Municipal Water District, Chino Basin Water Conservation District, and Rancho Santa Ana Botanical Garden. As a core program initiative, the current team developed a new online Plant Database (www.ie.watersaving plants.com) specific to the entire Inland Empire Region. It includes garden tours, a garden gallery, plant database, search engine for plants, problem solving plant lists, plant and garden information report printouts, a garden resources section, and water conservation tips. WSGF continues its public-private partnership with Home Depot, who host annual plant sale events throughout the Inland Empire to showcase water-wise plant options for landscapes.

The Inland Empire Landscape Guidebook provides a new approach to landscaping by applying a watershed wise approach. This step-by-step instruction book includes the "how-to's" on resilient landscape design, building healthy soils, selecting climate-appropriate plants, and installing efficient irrigation systems that create a sustainable, water-wise garden.

Staff's Recommendation:
This is an informational item for the Board of Directors to receive and file.

Budget Impact  Budgeted (Y/N): Y   Amendment (Y/N): N   Amount for Requested Approval:
Account/Project Name:
WR18029.00 / Drought Related Projects

Fiscal Impact (explain if not budgeted):
Water Saving Garden Friendly Website - Climate Appropriate Plant Database -
Total Project Cost: $8,000 / IEUA Cost: $2,000

Inland Empire Landscape Guidebook - Total Project Cost: $35,000 / IEUA Cost: $7,000
Full account coding (internal AP purposes only):    Project No.: 
Prior Board Action:
None

Environmental Determination:
Not Applicable

Business Goal:
The projects are consistent with IEUA’s Business Goal of increasing Water Reliability by promoting water use efficiency and education to enhance water supplies within the region; and meeting the region’s need to develop reliable and diverse local water resources in order to reduce dependence on imported water supplies.

Attachments:
Link for the online Plant Database is www.ie.watersavingplants.com
INFORMATION
ITEM 2C
Engineering and Construction Management Project Updates

Inland Empire Utilities Agency
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Jerry Burke, P.E.
March 2018
EN22002 – East End Flow Meter

- **Project Goal:** Provide a more accurate flow meter to meet current Los Angeles County Sanitation District standards
- **Current Phase:** Design
- **Design Engineer:** Civiltec Engineering, Inc.
- **Contract Amount:** $214 K
  - Amendments: $0/0.0%
- **Total Project Budget:** $2.0 M
- **Project Completion:** November 2019
- **Percentage Complete:** 50%
- **Current Activities:**
  - 50% submittal review
  - LACSD review: March through June
**WR15021 – Napa Lateral**

- **Project Goal:** Provide recycled water to CSI and Auto Club Speedway for industrial and landscape irrigation
- **Current Phase:** Bid and Award
- **Design-Build Contractor:** TBD
- **Contract Amount:** $0 M
  - Amendments: $0/0.0%
- **Total Project Budget:** $6.0 M
- **Project Completion:** August 2019
- **Percentage Complete:** 20%
- **Current Activities:**
  - Advertising for design-build services
  - Bid opening in March 2018
**Project Goal:** Convert paint room to training room and office

**Current Phase:** Construction

**Contractor:** New Millennium Construction Services

**Contract Amount:** $267 K

**Change Orders:** $5,722/2.1%
- Agency Requested: $5,349/2.0%
- Changed Conditions: $373/0.1%

**Total Project Budget:** $425 K

**Project Completion:** July 2018

**Percentage Complete:** 30%

**Current Activities:**
- Install structural steel around new HVAC unit
- Frame interior walls
EN16024 - RP-1 Mixed Liquor Return Pumps

- **Project Goal:** Improve the biological treatment and plant capacity at the aeration system
- **Current Phase:** Construction
- **Contractor:** J.F. Shea Construction, Inc.
- **Contract Amount:** $4.8 M
- **Change Orders:** $604,688/12.4%
  - Agency Requested: $32,372/0.4%
  - Changed Conditions: $572,316/12.0%
- **Total Project Budget:** $7.2 M
- **Project Completion:** April 2018
- **Percentage Complete:** 85%
- **Current Activities:**
  - Contractor is working on Train No. 5; Start-up and acclimation period is scheduled for March
  - MLR Pumps in Train No's. 1 - 4 are currently operational
EN17063.01 – Anoxic Splitter Box Gates

- **Project Goal:** Replace old slide gates and provide safe access to operate them
- **Current Phase:** Construction
- **Contractor:** W.A. Rasic
- **Contract Amount:** $76 K
- **Change Orders:** $0/0.0%
  - Agency Requested: $0/0.0%
  - Changed Conditions: $0/0.0%
- **Total Project Budget:** $100 K
- **Project Completion:** March 2018
- **Percentage Complete:** 90%
- **Current Activities:**
  - Gates installed
  - Contractor is preparing final design drawings for catwalk modifications
**Project Goal:** Improve pumps' efficiencies and lower energy consumption

**Current Phase:** Project acceptance and closeout

**Contractor:** Vaughn's Industrial

**Contract Amount:** $195 K

**Change Orders:** $0/0.0%
- Agency Requested: $0/0.0%
- Changed Conditions: $0/0.0%
- Expected SCE Incentives for Phase II: $82,486

**Total Project Budget:** $300 K

**Project Completion:** December 2017

**Percentage Complete:** 100%

**Current Activities:**
- Warranty and close out

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