



State of West Virginia
 Department of Administration
 Purchasing Division
 2019 Washington Street East
 Post Office Box 50130
 Charleston, WV 25305-0130

Solicitation

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GSD146432

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ADDRESS CORRESPONDENCE TO ATTENTION OF:
GUY NISBET
304-558-2596

VENDOR

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Specialty Groups, Inc.
 PO Box 96
 Bridgeport, WV 26330

SHIP TO

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION
 GENERAL SERVICES DIVISION
 JOBSITE
 SEE SPECIFICATIONS

304-558-2317

DATE PRINTED
05/14/2014

BID OPENING DATE: 06/24/2014

BID OPENING TIME 1:30PM

LINE	QUANTITY	UOP	CAT NO.	ITEM NUMBER	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
0001	1	LS		968-42	#1,747,454	.00
CLEAN AND REPLACE CAULK FOR BUILDING 5, 6 AND 7						
REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)						
THE WEST VIRGINIA PURCHASING DIVISION FOR THE AGENCY, THE WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION'S, GENERAL SERVICES DIVISION, IS SOLICITING BIDS FROM QUALIFIED VENDORS FOR A CONTRACT TO PROVIDE EXTERIOR CLEANING AND CAULKING FOR THE STATE OFFICE BUILDINGS NUMBERS 5, 6 & 7 LOCATED AT THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA CAPITOL COMPLEX IN CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA, PER THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS AS ATTACHED AND THE SPECIFICATIONS WITHIN THE PROJECT MANUAL AS DEVELOPED BY ZMM, ARCHITECT/ENGINEERS DATED: MARCH 25, 2014.						
PROJECT MANUAL MAY BE OBTAINED FROM:						
ZMM ARCHITECT / ENGINEERS, INC. 222 LEE STREET, WEST CHARLESTON, WV. 25302 304.342.0159 (PHONE) 304.345.8144 (FAX)						
BIDDERS MAY OBTAIN ONLY COMPLETE SETS OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE SUM OF \$ 50.00 PER SET.						
06/24/14 12:05:01PM West Virginia Purchasing Division						

SIGNATURE	TELEPHONE (304) 623-3844	DATE 6-24-14
TITLE Project Manager	FEIN 55-0614471	ADDRESS CHANGES TO BE NOTED ABOVE

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INSTRUCTIONS TO VENDORS SUBMITTING BIDS

1. **REVIEW DOCUMENTS THOROUGHLY:** The attached documents contain a solicitation for bids. Please read these instructions and all documents attached in their entirety. These instructions provide critical information about requirements that if overlooked could lead to disqualification of a Vendor's bid. All bids must be submitted in accordance with the provisions contained in these instructions and the Solicitation. Failure to do so may result in disqualification of Vendor's bid.
2. **MANDATORY TERMS:** The Solicitation may contain mandatory provisions identified by the use of the words "must," "will," and "shall." Failure to comply with a mandatory term in the Solicitation will result in bid disqualification.
3. **PREBID MEETING:** The item identified below shall apply to this Solicitation.
 - A pre-bid meeting will not be held prior to bid opening.
 - A **NON-MANDATORY PRE-BID** meeting will be held at the following place and time:

- A **MANDATORY PRE-BID** meeting will be held at the following place and time:

Department of Administration, General Services Division
1900 Kanawha Blvd, East
Building 7, Lobby
Charleston, WV. 25305

June 4th, 2014 at 10:00 AM. EST.

All Vendors submitting a bid must attend the mandatory pre-bid meeting. Failure to attend the mandatory pre-bid meeting shall result in disqualification of the Vendor's bid. No one person attending the pre-bid meeting may represent more than one Vendor.

An attendance sheet provided at the pre-bid meeting shall serve as the official document verifying attendance. The State will not accept any other form of proof or documentation to verify attendance. Any person attending the pre-bid meeting on behalf of a Vendor must list on the attendance sheet his or her name and the name of the Vendor he or she is representing. Additionally, the person attending the pre-bid meeting should include the Vendor's E-Mail address, phone number, and Fax number on the attendance sheet. It is the Vendor's responsibility to locate the attendance sheet and provide the required information. Failure to complete the attendance sheet as required may result in disqualification of Vendor's bid.

All Vendors should arrive prior to the starting time for the pre-bid. Vendors who arrive after the starting time but prior to the end of the pre-bid will be permitted to sign in, but are charged with knowing all matters discussed at the pre-bid.

Questions submitted at least five business days prior to a scheduled pre-bid will be discussed at the pre-bid meeting if possible. Any discussions or answers to questions at the pre-bid meeting are preliminary in nature and are non-binding. Official and binding answers to questions will be published in a written addendum to the Solicitation prior to bid opening.

4. **VENDOR QUESTION DEADLINE:** Vendors may submit questions relating to this Solicitation to the Purchasing Division. Questions must be submitted in writing. All questions must be submitted on or before the date listed below and to the address listed below in order to be considered. A written response will be published in a Solicitation addendum if a response is possible and appropriate. Non-written discussions, conversations, or questions and answers regarding this Solicitation are preliminary in nature and are non-binding.

Question Submission Deadline: June 9th, 2014 at 1:00 PM. EST.

Submit Questions to:

Guy Nisbet, Senior Buyer, File 21

2019 Washington Street, East

Charleston, WV 25305

Fax: (304) 558-4115

(Vendors should not use this fax number for bid submission)

Email: Guy.L.Nisbet@Wv.gov

5. **VERBAL COMMUNICATION:** Any verbal communication between the Vendor and any State personnel is not binding, including that made at the mandatory pre-bid conference. Only information issued in writing and added to the Solicitation by an official written addendum by the Purchasing Division is binding.
6. **BID SUBMISSION:** All bids must be signed and delivered by the Vendor to the Purchasing Division at the address listed below on or before the date and time of the bid opening. Any bid received by the Purchasing Division staff is considered to be in the possession of the Purchasing Division and will not be returned for any reason. The Purchasing Division will not accept bids, modification of bids, or addendum acknowledgment forms via e-mail. Acceptable delivery methods include hand delivery, delivery by courier, or facsimile. The bid delivery address is:

Department of Administration, Purchasing Division
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The bid should contain the information listed below on the face of the envelope or the bid may not be considered:

SEALED BID: _____
 BUYER: _____
 SOLICITATION NO.: _____
 BID OPENING DATE: _____
 BID OPENING TIME: _____
 FAX NUMBER: _____

In the event that Vendor is responding to a request for proposal, the Vendor shall submit one original technical and one original cost proposal plus N/A convenience copies of each to the Purchasing Division at the address shown above. Additionally, the Vendor should identify the bid type as either a technical or cost proposal on the face of each bid envelope submitted in response to a request for proposal as follows:

BID TYPE: Technical
 Cost

- 7. **BID OPENING:** Bids submitted in response to this Solicitation will be opened at the location identified below on the date and time listed below. Delivery of a bid after the bid opening date and time will result in bid disqualification. For purposes of this Solicitation, a bid is considered delivered when time stamped by the official Purchasing Division time clock.

Bid Opening Date and Time: June 24th, 2014 at 1:30 PM. EST.

Bid Opening Location: Department of Administration, Purchasing Division
 2019 Washington Street East
 Charleston, WV 25305-0130

- 8. **ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:** Changes or revisions to this Solicitation will be made by an official written addendum issued by the Purchasing Division. Vendor should acknowledge receipt of all addenda issued with this Solicitation by completing an Addendum Acknowledgment Form, a copy of which is included herewith. Failure to acknowledge addenda may result in bid disqualification. The addendum acknowledgement should be submitted with the bid to expedite document processing.
- 9. **BID FORMATTING:** Vendor should type or electronically enter the information onto its bid to prevent errors in the evaluation. Failure to type or electronically enter the information may result in bid disqualification.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. **CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT:** Issuance of a Purchase Order signed by the Purchasing Division Director, or his designee, and approved as to form by the Attorney General's office constitutes acceptance of this Contract made by and between the State of West Virginia and the Vendor. Vendor's signature on its bid signifies Vendor's agreement to be bound by and accept the terms and conditions contained in this Contract.

2. **DEFINITIONS:** As used in this Solicitation/Contract, the following terms shall have the meanings attributed to them below. Additional definitions may be found in the specifications included with this Solicitation/Contract.
 - 2.1 **"Agency" or "Agencies"** means the agency, board, commission, or other entity of the State of West Virginia that is identified on the first page of the Solicitation or any other public entity seeking to procure goods or services under this Contract.
 - 2.2 **"Contract"** means the binding agreement that is entered into between the State and the Vendor to provide the goods and services requested in the Solicitation.
 - 2.3 **"Director"** means the Director of the West Virginia Department of Administration, Purchasing Division.
 - 2.4 **"Purchasing Division"** means the West Virginia Department of Administration, Purchasing Division.
 - 2.5 **"Purchase Order"** means the document signed by the Agency and the Purchasing Division, and approved as to form by the Attorney General, that identifies the Vendor as the successful bidder and Contract holder.
 - 2.6 **"Solicitation"** means the official solicitation published by the Purchasing Division and identified by number on the first page thereof.
 - 2.7 **"State"** means the State of West Virginia and/or any of its agencies, commissions, boards, etc. as context requires.
 - 2.8 **"Vendor" or "Vendors"** means any entity submitting a bid in response to the Solicitation, the entity that has been selected as the lowest responsible bidder, or the entity that has been awarded the Contract as context requires.

3. **CONTRACT TERM; RENEWAL; EXTENSION:** The term of this Contract shall be determined in accordance with the category that has been identified as applicable to this Contract below:

Term Contract

Initial Contract Term: This Contract becomes effective on _____
and extends for a period of _____ year(s).

Renewal Term: This Contract may be renewed upon the mutual written consent of the Agency, and the Vendor, with approval of the Purchasing Division and the Attorney General's office (Attorney General approval is as to form only). Any request for renewal must be submitted to the Purchasing Division Director thirty (30) days prior to the expiration date of the initial contract term or appropriate renewal term. A Contract renewal shall be in accordance with the terms and conditions of the original contract. Renewal of this Contract is limited to _____ successive one (1) year periods. Automatic renewal of this Contract is prohibited. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Purchasing Division approval is not required on agency delegated or exempt purchases. Attorney General approval may be required for vendor terms and conditions.

Reasonable Time Extension: At the sole discretion of the Purchasing Division Director, and with approval from the Attorney General's office (Attorney General approval is as to form only), this Contract may be extended for a reasonable time after the initial Contract term or after any renewal term as may be necessary to obtain a new contract or renew this Contract. Any reasonable time extension shall not exceed twelve (12) months. Vendor may avoid a reasonable time extension by providing the Purchasing Division Director with written notice of Vendor's desire to terminate this Contract 30 days prior to the expiration of the then current term. During any reasonable time extension period, the Vendor may terminate this Contract for any reason upon giving the Purchasing Division Director 30 days written notice. Automatic extension of this Contract is prohibited. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Purchasing Division approval is not required on agency delegated or exempt purchases, but Attorney General approval may be required.

Release Order Limitations: In the event that this contract permits release orders, a release order may only be issued during the time this Contract is in effect. Any release order issued within one year of the expiration of this Contract shall be effective for one year from the date the release order is issued. No release order may be extended beyond one year after this Contract has expired.

Fixed Period Contract: This Contract becomes effective upon Vendor's receipt of the notice to proceed and must be completed within _____ one hundred fifty (150) calendar _____ days.

- One Time Purchase:** The term of this Contract shall run from the issuance of the Purchase Order until all of the goods contracted for have been delivered, but in no event shall this Contract extend for more than one fiscal year.
- Other:** See attached.
4. **NOTICE TO PROCEED:** Vendor shall begin performance of this Contract immediately upon receiving notice to proceed unless otherwise instructed by the Agency. Unless otherwise specified, the fully executed Purchase Order will be considered notice to proceed
5. **QUANTITIES:** The quantities required under this Contract shall be determined in accordance with the category that has been identified as applicable to this Contract below.
- Open End Contract:** Quantities listed in this Solicitation are approximations only, based on estimates supplied by the Agency. It is understood and agreed that the Contract shall cover the quantities actually ordered for delivery during the term of the Contract, whether more or less than the quantities shown.
- Service:** The scope of the service to be provided will be more clearly defined in the specifications included herewith.
- Combined Service and Goods:** The scope of the service and deliverable goods to be provided will be more clearly defined in the specifications included herewith.
- One Time Purchase:** This Contract is for the purchase of a set quantity of goods that are identified in the specifications included herewith. Once those items have been delivered, no additional goods may be procured under this Contract without an appropriate change order approved by the Vendor, Agency, Purchasing Division, and Attorney General's office.
6. **PRICING:** The pricing set forth herein is firm for the life of the Contract, unless specified elsewhere within this Solicitation/Contract by the State. A Vendor's inclusion of price adjustment provisions in its bid, without an express authorization from the State in the Solicitation to do so, may result in bid disqualification.
7. **EMERGENCY PURCHASES:** The Purchasing Division Director may authorize the Agency to purchase goods or services in the open market that Vendor would otherwise provide under this Contract if those goods or services are for immediate or expedited delivery in an emergency. Emergencies shall include, but are not limited to, delays in transportation or an unanticipated increase in the volume of work. An emergency purchase in the open market, approved by the Purchasing Division Director, shall not constitute a breach of this Contract and shall not entitle the Vendor to any form of compensation or damages. This provision does not excuse the State from fulfilling its obligations under a One Time Purchase contract.
8. **REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:** All of the items checked below must be provided to the Purchasing Division by the Vendor as specified below.

- BID BOND:** All Vendors shall furnish a bid bond in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total amount of the bid protecting the State of West Virginia. The bid bond must be submitted with the bid.
- PERFORMANCE BOND:** The apparent successful Vendor shall provide a performance bond in the amount of . The performance bond must be issued and received by the Purchasing Division prior to Contract award. On construction contracts, the performance bond must be 100% of the Contract value.
- LABOR/MATERIAL PAYMENT BOND:** The apparent successful Vendor shall provide a labor/material payment bond in the amount of 100% of the Contract value. The labor/material payment bond must be issued and delivered to the Purchasing Division prior to Contract award.

In lieu of the Bid Bond, Performance Bond, and Labor/Material Payment Bond, the Vendor may provide certified checks, cashier's checks, or irrevocable letters of credit. Any certified check, cashier's check, or irrevocable letter of credit provided in lieu of a bond must be of the same amount and delivered on the same schedule as the bond it replaces. A letter of credit submitted in lieu of a performance and labor/material payment bond will only be allowed for projects under \$100,000. Personal or business checks are not acceptable.

- MAINTENANCE BOND:** The apparent successful Vendor shall provide a two (2) year maintenance bond covering the roofing system. The maintenance bond must be issued and delivered to the Purchasing Division prior to Contract award.
- WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE:** The apparent successful Vendor shall have appropriate workers' compensation insurance and shall provide proof thereof upon request.
- INSURANCE:** The apparent successful Vendor shall furnish proof of the following insurance prior to Contract award and shall list the state as a certificate holder:
 - Commercial General Liability Insurance:** \$1,000,000.00 or more.
 - Builders Risk Insurance:** builders risk – all risk insurance in an amount equal to 100% of the amount of the Contract.
 - Insurance requirements as outlined in the A201 WV. Supplementary
 - Conditions, sample Acord Form.
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The apparent successful Vendor shall also furnish proof of any additional insurance requirements contained in the specifications prior to Contract award regardless of whether or not that insurance requirement is listed above.

LICENSE(S) / CERTIFICATIONS / PERMITS: In addition to anything required under the Section entitled Licensing, of the General Terms and Conditions, the apparent successful Vendor shall furnish proof of the following licenses, certifications, and/or permits prior to Contract award, in a form acceptable to the Purchasing Division.

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The apparent successful Vendor shall also furnish proof of any additional licenses or certifications contained in the specifications prior to Contract award regardless of whether or not that requirement is listed above.

9. LITIGATION BOND: The Director reserves the right to require any Vendor that files a protest of an award to submit a litigation bond in the amount equal to one percent of the lowest bid submitted or \$5,000, whichever is greater. The entire amount of the bond shall be forfeited if the hearing officer determines that the protest was filed for frivolous or improper purpose, including but not limited to, the purpose of harassing, causing unnecessary delay, or needless expense for the Agency. All litigation bonds shall be made payable to the Purchasing Division. In lieu of a bond, the protester may submit a cashier's check or certified check payable to the Purchasing Division. Cashier's or certified checks will be deposited with and held by the State Treasurer's office. If it is determined that the protest has not been filed for frivolous or improper purpose, the bond or deposit shall be returned in its entirety.

10. ALTERNATES: Any model, brand, or specification listed herein establishes the acceptable level of quality only and is not intended to reflect a preference for, or in any way favor, a particular brand or vendor. Vendors may bid alternates to a listed model or brand provided that the alternate is at least equal to the model or brand and complies with the required specifications. The equality of any alternate being bid shall be determined by the State at its sole discretion. Any Vendor bidding an alternate model or brand should clearly identify the alternate items in its bid and should include manufacturer's specifications, industry literature, and/or any other relevant documentation demonstrating the equality of the alternate items. Failure to provide information for alternate items may be grounds for rejection of a Vendor's bid.

11. EXCEPTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS: The Solicitation contains the specifications that shall form the basis of a contractual agreement. Vendor shall clearly mark any exceptions, clarifications, or

other proposed modifications in its bid. Exceptions to, clarifications of, or modifications of a requirement or term and condition of the Solicitation may result in bid disqualification.

- 12. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES:** Vendor shall pay liquidated damages in the amount
Five Hundred (\$500.00) per day for above the stated 150 calendar days allowed.

This clause shall in no way be considered exclusive and shall not limit the State or Agency's right to pursue any other available remedy.

- 13. ACCEPTANCE/REJECTION:** The State may accept or reject any bid in whole, or in part. Vendor's signature on its bid signifies acceptance of the terms and conditions contained in the Solicitation and Vendor agrees to be bound by the terms of the Contract, as reflected in the Purchase Order, upon receipt.
- 14. REGISTRATION:** Prior to Contract award, the apparent successful Vendor must be properly registered with the West Virginia Purchasing Division and must have paid the \$125 fee if applicable.
- 15. COMMUNICATION LIMITATIONS:** In accordance with West Virginia Code of State Rules §148-1-6.6, communication with the State of West Virginia or any of its employees regarding this Solicitation during the solicitation, bid, evaluation or award periods, except through the Purchasing Division, is strictly prohibited without prior Purchasing Division approval. Purchasing Division approval for such communication is implied for all agency delegated and exempt purchases.
- 16. FUNDING:** This Contract shall continue for the term stated herein, contingent upon funds being appropriated by the Legislature or otherwise being made available. In the event funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available, this Contract becomes void and of no effect beginning on July 1 of the fiscal year for which funding has not been appropriated or otherwise made available.
- 17. PAYMENT:** Payment in advance is prohibited under this Contract. Payment may only be made after the delivery and acceptance of goods or services. The Vendor shall submit invoices, in arrears, to the Agency at the address on the face of the purchase order labeled "Invoice To."
- 18. UNIT PRICE:** Unit prices shall prevail in cases of a discrepancy in the Vendor's bid.
- 19. DELIVERY:** All quotations are considered freight on board destination ("F.O.B. destination") unless alternate shipping terms are clearly identified in the bid. Vendor's listing of shipping terms that contradict the shipping terms expressly required by this Solicitation may result in bid disqualification.
- 20. INTEREST:** Interest attributable to late payment will only be permitted if authorized by the West Virginia Code. Presently, there is no provision in the law for interest on late payments.
- 21. PREFERENCE:** Vendor Preference may only be granted upon written request and only in accordance with the West Virginia Code § 5A-3-37 and the West Virginia Code of State Rules. A Resident Vendor Certification form has been attached hereto to allow Vendor to apply for the preference. Vendor's

failure to submit the Resident Vendor Certification form with its bid will result in denial of Vendor Preference. Vendor Preference does not apply to construction projects.

- 22. SMALL, WOMEN-OWNED, OR MINORITY-OWNED BUSINESSES:** For any solicitations publicly advertised for bid on or after July 1, 2012, in accordance with West Virginia Code §5A-3-37(a)(7) and W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9, any non-resident vendor certified as a small, women-owned, or minority-owned business under W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9 shall be provided the same preference made available to any resident vendor. Any non-resident small, women-owned, or minority-owned business must identify itself as such in writing, must submit that writing to the Purchasing Division with its bid, and must be properly certified under W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9 prior to submission of its bid to receive the preferences made available to resident vendors. Preference for a non-resident small, women-owned, or minority-owned business shall be applied in accordance with W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9.
- 23. TAXES:** The Vendor shall pay any applicable sales, use, personal property or any other taxes arising out of this Contract and the transactions contemplated thereby. The State of West Virginia is exempt from federal and state taxes and will not pay or reimburse such taxes.
- 24. CANCELLATION:** The Purchasing Division Director reserves the right to cancel this Contract immediately upon written notice to the vendor if the materials or workmanship supplied do not conform to the specifications contained in the Contract. The Purchasing Division Director may cancel any purchase or Contract upon 30 days written notice to the Vendor in accordance with West Virginia Code of State Rules § 148-1-7.16.2.
- 25. WAIVER OF MINOR IRREGULARITIES:** The Director reserves the right to waive minor irregularities in bids or specifications in accordance with West Virginia Code of State Rules § 148-1-4.6.
- 26. TIME:** Time is of the essence with regard to all matters of time and performance in this Contract.
- 27. APPLICABLE LAW:** This Contract is governed by and interpreted under West Virginia law without giving effect to its choice of law principles. Any information provided in specification manuals, or any other source, verbal or written, which contradicts or violates the West Virginia Constitution, West Virginia Code or West Virginia Code of State Rules is void and of no effect.
- 28. COMPLIANCE:** Vendor shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations and ordinances. By submitting a bid, Vendors acknowledge that they have reviewed, understand, and will comply with all applicable law.
- 29. PREVAILING WAGE:** On any contract for the construction of a public improvement, Vendor and any subcontractors utilized by Vendor shall pay a rate or rates of wages which shall not be less than the fair minimum rate or rates of wages (prevailing wage), as established by the West Virginia Division of Labor under West Virginia Code §§ 21-5A-1 et seq. and available at <http://www.sos.wv.gov/administrative-law/wagerates/Pages/default.aspx>. Vendor shall be responsible for ensuring compliance with prevailing wage requirements and determining when prevailing wage

requirements are applicable. The required contract provisions contained in West Virginia Code of State Rules § 42-7-3 are specifically incorporated herein by reference.

30. **ARBITRATION:** Any references made to arbitration contained in this Contract, Vendor's bid, or in any American Institute of Architects documents pertaining to this Contract are hereby deleted, void, and of no effect.
31. **MODIFICATIONS:** This writing is the parties' final expression of intent. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Contract to the contrary, no modification of this Contract shall be binding without mutual written consent of the Agency, and the Vendor, with approval of the Purchasing Division and the Attorney General's office (Attorney General approval is as to form only). **No Change shall be implemented by the Vendor until such time as the Vendor receives an approved written change order from the Purchasing Division.**
32. **WAIVER:** The failure of either party to insist upon a strict performance of any of the terms or provision of this Contract, or to exercise any option, right, or remedy herein contained, shall not be construed as a waiver or a relinquishment for the future of such term, provision, option, right, or remedy, but the same shall continue in full force and effect. Any waiver must be expressly stated in writing and signed by the waiving party.
33. **SUBSEQUENT FORMS:** The terms and conditions contained in this Contract shall supersede any and all subsequent terms and conditions which may appear on any form documents submitted by Vendor to the Agency or Purchasing Division such as price lists, order forms, invoices, sales agreements, or maintenance agreements, and includes internet websites or other electronic documents. Acceptance or use of Vendor's forms does not constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions contained thereon.
34. **ASSIGNMENT:** Neither this Contract nor any monies due, or to become due hereunder, may be assigned by the Vendor without the express written consent of the Agency, the Purchasing Division, the Attorney General's office (as to form only), and any other government agency or office that may be required to approve such assignments. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Purchasing Division approval may or may not be required on certain agency delegated or exempt purchases.
35. **WARRANTY:** The Vendor expressly warrants that the goods and/or services covered by this Contract will: (a) conform to the specifications, drawings, samples, or other description furnished or specified by the Agency; (b) be merchantable and fit for the purpose intended; and (c) be free from defect in material and workmanship.
36. **STATE EMPLOYEES:** State employees are not permitted to utilize this Contract for personal use and the Vendor is prohibited from permitting or facilitating the same.
37. **BANKRUPTCY:** In the event the Vendor files for bankruptcy protection, the State of West Virginia may deem this Contract null and void, and terminate this Contract without notice.

38. [RESERVED]

39. CONFIDENTIALITY: The Vendor agrees that it will not disclose to anyone, directly or indirectly, any such personally identifiable information or other confidential information gained from the Agency, unless the individual who is the subject of the information consents to the disclosure in writing or the disclosure is made pursuant to the Agency's policies, procedures, and rules. Vendor further agrees to comply with the Confidentiality Policies and Information Security Accountability Requirements, set forth in <http://www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/privacy/default.html>.

40. DISCLOSURE: Vendor's response to the Solicitation and the resulting Contract are considered public documents and will be disclosed to the public in accordance with the laws, rules, and policies governing the West Virginia Purchasing Division. Those laws include, but are not limited to, the Freedom of Information Act found in West Virginia Code § 29B-1-1 et seq.

If a Vendor considers any part of its bid to be exempt from public disclosure, Vendor must so indicate by specifically identifying the exempt information, identifying the exemption that applies, providing a detailed justification for the exemption, segregating the exempt information from the general bid information, and submitting the exempt information as part of its bid but in a segregated and clearly identifiable format. Failure to comply with the foregoing requirements will result in public disclosure of the Vendor's bid without further notice. A Vendor's act of marking all or nearly all of its bid as exempt is not sufficient to avoid disclosure and WILL NOT BE HONORED. Vendor's act of marking a bid or any part thereof as "confidential" or "proprietary" is not sufficient to avoid disclosure and WILL NOT BE HONORED. In addition, a legend or other statement indicating that all or substantially all of the bid is exempt from disclosure is not sufficient to avoid disclosure and WILL NOT BE HONORED. Vendor will be required to defend any claimed exemption for nondisclosure in the event of an administrative or judicial challenge to the State's nondisclosure. Vendor must indemnify the State for any costs incurred related to any exemptions claimed by Vendor. Any questions regarding the applicability of the various public records laws should be addressed to your own legal counsel prior to bid submission.

41. LICENSING: In accordance with West Virginia Code of State Rules §148-1-6.1.7, Vendor must be licensed and in good standing in accordance with any and all state and local laws and requirements by any state or local agency of West Virginia, including, but not limited to, the West Virginia Secretary of State's Office, the West Virginia Tax Department, West Virginia Insurance Commission, or any other state agency or political subdivision. Upon request, the Vendor must provide all necessary releases to obtain information to enable the Purchasing Division Director or the Agency to verify that the Vendor is licensed and in good standing with the above entities.

42. ANTITRUST: In submitting a bid to, signing a contract with, or accepting a Purchase Order from any agency of the State of West Virginia, the Vendor agrees to convey, sell, assign, or transfer to the State of West Virginia all rights, title, and interest in and to all causes of action it may now or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the State of West Virginia for price fixing and/or unreasonable restraints of trade relating to the particular commodities or services purchased or acquired

by the State of West Virginia. Such assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the purchasing agency tenders the initial payment to Vendor.

- 43. VENDOR CERTIFICATIONS:** By signing its bid or entering into this Contract, Vendor certifies (1) that its bid was made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm, limited liability company, partnership, person or entity submitting a bid for the same material, supplies, equipment or services; (2) that its bid is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; (3) that this Contract is accepted or entered into without any prior understanding, agreement, or connection to any other entity that could be considered a violation of law; and (4) that it has reviewed this RFQ in its entirety; understands the requirements, terms and conditions, and other information contained herein. Vendor's signature on its bid also affirms that neither it nor its representatives have any interest, nor shall acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would compromise the performance of its services hereunder. Any such interests shall be promptly presented in detail to the Agency.

The individual signing this bid on behalf of Vendor certifies that he or she is authorized by the Vendor to execute this bid or any documents related thereto on Vendor's behalf; that he or she is authorized to bind the Vendor in a contractual relationship; and that, to the best of his or her knowledge, the Vendor has properly registered with any State agency that may require registration.

- 44. PURCHASING CARD ACCEPTANCE:** The State of West Virginia currently utilizes a Purchasing Card program, administered under contract by a banking institution, to process payment for goods and services. The Vendor must accept the State of West Virginia's Purchasing Card for payment of all orders under this Contract unless the box below is checked.

Vendor is not required to accept the State of West Virginia's Purchasing Card as payment for all goods and services.

- 45. VENDOR RELATIONSHIP:** The relationship of the Vendor to the State shall be that of an independent contractor and no principal-agent relationship or employer-employee relationship is contemplated or created by this Contract. The Vendor as an independent contractor is solely liable for the acts and omissions of its employees and agents. Vendor shall be responsible for selecting, supervising, and compensating any and all individuals employed pursuant to the terms of this Solicitation and resulting contract. Neither the Vendor, nor any employees or subcontractors of the Vendor, shall be deemed to be employees of the State for any purpose whatsoever. Vendor shall be exclusively responsible for payment of employees and contractors for all wages and salaries, taxes, withholding payments, penalties, fees, fringe benefits, professional liability insurance premiums, contributions to insurance and pension, or other deferred compensation plans, including but not limited to, Workers' Compensation and Social Security obligations, licensing fees, *etc.* and the filing of all necessary documents, forms and returns pertinent to all of the foregoing. Vendor shall hold harmless the State, and shall provide the State and Agency with a defense against any and all claims including, but not limited to, the foregoing payments, withholdings, contributions, taxes, Social Security taxes, and employer income tax returns.

- 46. INDEMNIFICATION:** The Vendor agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State and the Agency, their officers, and employees from and against: (1) Any claims or losses for services rendered

by any subcontractor, person, or firm performing or supplying services, materials, or supplies in connection with the performance of the Contract; (2) Any claims or losses resulting to any person or entity injured or damaged by the Vendor, its officers, employees, or subcontractors by the publication, translation, reproduction, delivery, performance, use, or disposition of any data used under the Contract in a manner not authorized by the Contract, or by Federal or State statutes or regulations; and (3) Any failure of the Vendor, its officers, employees, or subcontractors to observe State and Federal laws including, but not limited to, labor and wage and hour laws.

- 47. PURCHASING AFFIDAVIT:** In accordance with West Virginia Code § 5A-3-10a, all Vendors are required to sign, notarize, and submit the Purchasing Affidavit stating that neither the Vendor nor a related party owe a debt to the State in excess of \$1,000. The affidavit must be submitted prior to award, but should be submitted with the Vendor's bid. A copy of the Purchasing Affidavit is included herewith.
- 48. ADDITIONAL AGENCY AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT USE:** This Contract may be utilized by and extends to other agencies, spending units, and political subdivisions of the State of West Virginia; county, municipal, and other local government bodies; and school districts ("Other Government Entities"). This Contract shall be extended to the aforementioned Other Government Entities on the same prices, terms, and conditions as those offered and agreed to in this Contract. If the Vendor does not wish to extend the prices, terms, and conditions of its bid and subsequent contract to the Other Government Entities, the Vendor must clearly indicate such refusal in its bid. A refusal to extend this Contract to the Other Government Entities shall not impact or influence the award of this Contract in any manner.
- 49. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** Vendor, its officers or members or employees, shall not presently have or acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict with or compromise the performance of its obligations hereunder. Vendor shall periodically inquire of its officers, members and employees to ensure that a conflict of interest does not arise. Any conflict of interest discovered shall be promptly presented in detail to the Agency.
- 50. REPORTS:** Vendor shall provide the Agency and/or the Purchasing Division with the following reports identified by a checked box below:
- Such reports as the Agency and/or the Purchasing Division may request. Requested reports may include, but are not limited to, quantities purchased, agencies utilizing the contract, total contract expenditures by agency, etc.
 - Quarterly reports detailing the total quantity of purchases in units and dollars, along with a listing of purchases by agency. Quarterly reports should be delivered to the Purchasing Division via email at purchasing.requisitions@wv.gov.
- 51. BACKGROUND CHECK:** In accordance with W. Va. Code § 15-2D-3, the Director of the Division of Protective Services shall require any service provider whose employees are regularly employed on the grounds or in the buildings of the Capitol complex or who have access to sensitive or critical information

to submit to a fingerprint-based state and federal background inquiry through the state repository. The service provider is responsible for any costs associated with the fingerprint-based state and federal background inquiry.

After the contract for such services has been approved, but before any such employees are permitted to be on the grounds or in the buildings of the Capitol complex or have access to sensitive or critical information, the service provider shall submit a list of all persons who will be physically present and working at the Capitol complex to the Director of the Division of Protective Services for purposes of verifying compliance with this provision.

The State reserves the right to prohibit a service provider's employees from accessing sensitive or critical information or to be present at the Capitol complex based upon results addressed from a criminal background check.

Service providers should contact the West Virginia Division of Protective Services by phone at (304)558-9911 for more information.

52. PREFERENCE FOR USE OF DOMESTIC STEEL PRODUCTS: Except when authorized by the Director of the Purchasing Division pursuant to W. Va. Code § 5A-3-56, no contractor may use or supply steel products for a State Contract Project other than those steel products made in the United States. A contractor who uses steel products in violation of this section may be subject to civil penalties pursuant to W. Va. Code § 5A-3-56. As used in this section:

- a. "State Contract Project" means any erection or construction of, or any addition to, alteration of or other improvement to any building or structure, including, but not limited to, roads or highways, or the installation of any heating or cooling or ventilating plants or other equipment, or the supply of and materials for such projects, pursuant to a contract with the State of West Virginia for which bids were solicited on or after June 6, 2001.
- b. "Steel Products" means products rolled, formed, shaped, drawn, extruded, forged, cast, fabricated or otherwise similarly processed, or processed by a combination of two or more or such operations, from steel made by the open heath, basic oxygen, electric furnace, Bessemer or other steel making process.

The Purchasing Division Director may, in writing, authorize the use of foreign steel products if:

- a. The cost for each contract item used does not exceed one tenth of one percent (.1%) of the total contract cost or two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00), whichever is greater. For the purposes of this section, the cost is the value of the steel product as delivered to the project; or
- b. The Director of the Purchasing Division determines that specified steel materials are not produced in the United States in sufficient quantity or otherwise are not reasonably available to meet contract requirements.

53. PREFERENCE FOR USE OF DOMESTIC ALUMINUM, GLASS, AND STEEL: In Accordance with W. Va. Code § 5-19-1 et seq., and W. Va. CSR § 148-10-1 et seq., for every contract or subcontract, subject to the limitations contained herein, for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, repair, improvement or maintenance of public works or for the purchase of any item of machinery or equipment to be used at sites of public works, only domestic aluminum, glass or steel products shall be supplied unless the spending officer determines, in writing, after the receipt of offers or bids, (1) that the cost of domestic aluminum, glass or steel products is unreasonable or inconsistent with the public interest of the State of West Virginia, (2) that domestic aluminum, glass or steel products are not produced in sufficient quantities to meet the contract requirements, or (3) the available domestic aluminum, glass, or steel do not meet the contract specifications. This provision only applies to public works contracts awarded in an amount more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) or public works contracts that require more than ten thousand pounds of steel products.

The cost of domestic aluminum, glass, or steel products may be unreasonable if the cost is more than twenty percent (20%) of the bid or offered price for foreign made aluminum, glass, or steel products. If the domestic aluminum, glass or steel products to be supplied or produced in a "substantial labor surplus area", as defined by the United States Department of Labor, the cost of domestic aluminum, glass, or steel products may be unreasonable if the cost is more than thirty percent (30%) of the bid or offered price for foreign made aluminum, glass, or steel products.

This preference shall be applied to an item of machinery or equipment, as indicated above, when the item is a single unit of equipment or machinery manufactured primarily of aluminum, glass or steel, is part of a public works contract and has the sole purpose or of being a permanent part of a single public works project. This provision does not apply to equipment or machinery purchased by a spending unit for use by that spending unit and not as part of a single public works project.

All bids and offers including domestic aluminum, glass or steel products that exceed bid or offer prices including foreign aluminum, glass or steel products after application of the preferences provided in this provision may be reduced to a price equal to or lower than the lowest bid or offer price for foreign aluminum, glass or steel products plus the applicable preference. If the reduced bid or offer prices are made in writing and supersede the prior bid or offer prices, all bids or offers, including the reduced bid or offer prices, will be reevaluated in accordance with this rule.

ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS (Construction Contracts Only)

1. **CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE:** West Virginia Code § 21-11-2 requires that all persons desiring to perform contracting work in this state be licensed. The West Virginia Contractors Licensing Board is empowered to issue the contractor's license. Applications for a contractor's license may be made by contacting the West Virginia Division of Labor.

West Virginia Code § 21-11-11 requires any prospective Vendor to include the contractor's license number on its bid. Failure to include a contractor's license number on the bid shall result in Vendor's bid being disqualified. Vendors should include a contractor's license number in the space provided below.

Contractor's Name: Specialty Groups, Inc.

Contractor's License No. WV005768

The apparent successful Vendor must furnish a copy of its contractor's license prior to the issuance of a purchase order/contract.

2. **DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE AFFIDAVIT:** W. Va. Code § 21-1D-5 provides that any solicitation for a public improvement contract requires each Vendor that submits a bid for the work to submit at the same time an affidavit that the Vendor has a written plan for a drug-free workplace policy. To comply with this law, Vendor must either complete the enclosed drug-free workplace affidavit and submit the same with its bid or complete a similar affidavit that fulfills all of the requirements of the applicable code. Failure to submit the signed and notarized drug-free workplace affidavit or a similar affidavit that fully complies with the requirements of the applicable code, with the bid shall result in disqualification of Vendor's bid.

2.1 DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE POLICY: Pursuant to W. Va. Code § 21-1D-4, Vendor and its subcontractors must implement and maintain a written drug-free workplace policy that complies with said article.

The awarding public authority may cancel this contract if: (1) Vendor fails to implement and maintain a written drug-free workplace policy described in the preceding paragraph, (2) Vendor fails to provide information regarding implementation of its drug-free workplace policy at the request of the public authority; or (3) Vendor provides to the public authority false information regarding the contractor's drug-free workplace policy.

3. **DRUG FREE WORKPLACE REPORT:** Pursuant to W. Va. Code § 21-1D-7b, no less than once per year, or upon completion of the project, every contractor shall provide a certified report to the public authority which let the contract. For contracts over \$25,000, the public authority shall be the West Virginia Purchasing Division. For contracts of \$25,000 or less, the public authority shall be the agency issuing the contract. The report shall include:

- (1) Information to show that the education and training service to the requirements of West Virginia Code § 21-1D-5 was provided;
- (2) The name of the laboratory certified by the United States Department of Health and Human Services or its successor that performs the drug tests;
- (3) The average number of employees in connection with the construction on the public improvement;
- (4) Drug test results for the following categories including the number of positive tests and the number of negative tests: (A) Pre-employment and new hires; (B) Reasonable suspicion; (C) Post-accident; and (D) Random.

Vendor should utilize the attached Certified Drug Free Workplace Report Coversheet when submitting the report required hereunder.

4. **AIA DOCUMENTS:** All construction contracts that will be completed in conjunction with architectural services procured under Chapter 5G of the West Virginia Code will be governed by the AIA A101-2007 and A201-2007 or the A107-2007 documents, as amended by the Supplementary Conditions for the State of West Virginia, in addition to the terms and conditions contained herein.
5. **SUBCONTRACTOR LIST SUBMISSION:** In accordance with W. Va. Code § 5-22-1, The apparent low bidder on a contract for the construction, alteration, decoration, painting or improvement of a new or existing building or structure valued at more than \$250,000.00 shall submit a list of all subcontractors who will perform more than \$25,000.00 of work on the project including labor and materials. This provision shall not apply to any other construction projects, such as highway, mine reclamation, water or sewer projects. Additionally, if no subcontractors who will perform more than \$25,000.00 of work are to be used to complete the project, it will be noted on the subcontractor list.
 - a. **Required Information.** The subcontractor list shall contain the following information:
 - i. Bidder's name
 - ii. Name of each subcontractor
 - iii. License numbers as required by W. Va. Code § 21-11-1 et. seq.
 - iv. Notation that no subcontractor will be used to perform more than \$25,000.00 of work, when applicable
 - b. **Submission.** The completed subcontractor list shall be provided to the Purchasing Division within one business day of the opening of bids for review. Failure to submit the subcontractor list within one business day after the deadline for submitting bids shall result in disqualification of the bid.
 - c. **Substitution of Subcontractor.** Written approval must be obtained from the State Spending Unit before any subcontractor substitution is permitted. Substitutions are not permitted unless:

- i. The subcontractor listed in the original bid has filed for bankruptcy;
 - ii. The subcontractor in the original bid has been debarred or suspended; or
 - iii. The contractor certifies in writing that the subcontractor listed in the original bill fails, is unable, or refuses to perform his subcontract.
6. **GREEN BUILDINGS MINIMUM ENERGY STANDARDS:** In accordance with § 22-29-4, all new building construction projects of public agencies that have not entered the schematic design phase prior to July 1, 2012, or any building construction project receiving state grant funds and appropriations, including public schools, that have not entered the schematic design phase prior to July 1, 2012, shall be designed and constructed complying with the ICC International Energy Conservation Code, adopted by the State Fire Commission, and the ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA Standard 90.1-2007: *Provided*, That if any construction project has a commitment of federal funds to pay for a portion of such project, this provision shall only apply to the extent such standards are consistent with the federal standards.

Section 00100 – Instructions to Bidders

In the event that any information contained in this (or any other) Section of the Project Manual is in conflict with West Virginia State Law and/or Purchasing Division rules, policies, and procedures, the State's law, rules, policies and procedures prevail.

1.01 Summary

- A. The Acquisition and Contract Administration Section of the Purchasing Division "State" for the West Virginia General Services Division is soliciting quotations to provide **Exterior Cleaning and Caulking For State Office Building Nos. 5, 6, & 7 located at the West Virginia State Capitol Complex In Charleston, West Virginia**. This document is intended to supplement information provided in the standard "Request for Quotation" and "General Terms and Conditions" issued by the Purchasing Division for this project. Bidders shall carefully review all documents.
- B. Project Description- The project consists of the following:
1. Removal and replacement of all exterior caulking as scheduled on the Drawings for replacement.
 2. Cleaning as scheduled on the Drawings.
 3. All related work as shown and specified.

1.02 Definitions

- A. Bidding Documents include the Project Manual(s) and Drawings, plus all Addenda. The Project Manual includes the Request for Quotation, as issued by the State Purchasing Division; the Conditions of the Contract, including a sample AIA A101-2007 Standard Form of Agreement between Owner & Contractor, the AIA A201-2007 General Conditions of the Contract for Construction, and the AIA A201-2007 Supplementary Conditions to the Standard form of Agreement Between Owner and Contractor; the Contract Forms, including samples of all forms that would be used post-award; and all other DIVISIONS of administrative and technical specifications affecting the project.
- B. Definitions set forth in the General Conditions of the Contract for Construction, AIA Document A201-2007, as amended by the State of West Virginia Supplementary Conditions to AIA Document A201-2007, or in other Contract Documents are applicable to the Bidding Documents.
- C. Addenda are written or graphic instruments issued by the Purchasing Division prior to execution of the Contract which modify or interpret the Bidding Documents by additions, deletions, clarifications or corrections.
- D. A Bid is a complete and properly executed quotation to do the work for the sums stipulated therein, submitted in accordance with the Bidding Documents.
- E. The Base Bid is the sum stated in the Bid Form for which the Bidder offers to perform the Work described in the Bidding Documents as the base, to which Work may be added or from which Work may be deleted for sums stated in Alternate Bids.

- F. A Unit Price is an amount stated in the Bid Form as a price per unit of measurement for materials, equipment or services or a portion of the Work as described in the Bidding Documents. Unit prices shall be used solely for the formulation of any change orders subsequently requested for the awarded contract.
- G. A Bidder is a person or entity who submits a Bid and who meets the requirements set forth in the Bidding Documents.
- H. A Sub-Bidder is a person or entity who submits a bid to a Bidder for materials, equipment or labor for a portion of the Work.

1.03 Bidding Documents

- A. Bidders may obtain only complete sets of the plans and specifications of the Bidding Documents at the offices of the Architect/Engineer, ZMM, Inc. Architects and Engineers at the addresses noted below for the sum of \$50.00 per set. The deposit will be automatically refunded to the selected contractor and any subcontractors on the work, and to all document holders if the drawings and specifications are returned in good condition within 10 days following receipt of bids.
- B. All interested parties may refer to documents on file at a location as identified below.
- C. Bidders shall use complete sets of Bidding Documents in preparing Bids: neither the Owner nor Architect assumes responsibility for errors or misinterpretations resulting from the use of incomplete sets of Bidding Documents.
- D. The Owner and Architect make copies of the Bidding Documents available on the above terms for the purpose of obtaining Bids on the Work. No license or grant of use is conferred by issuance of copies of the Bidding Documents.
- E. Plans and Specifications may be examined at the following locations

ZMM, Inc. Architects And Engineers
222 Lee Street West
Charleston, WV 25302
Phone: 304-342-0159
Fax: 304-345-8144

Kanawha Valley Builders Association
1627 Bigley Avenue
Charleston, WV 25302
Phone: 304-342-7141
Fax: 304-343-8014

Contractors Association of West Virginia
2114 Kanawha Boulevard East
Charleston, West Virginia 25311
Phone: 304-342-1166
Fax: 304-342-1074

Construction Employers Association NCWV
2794 White Hall Blvd
White Hall, WV 26554
Phone: 304-367-1290
Fax: 304-367-0126

Parkersburg Marietta Contractors Association
4424 Emerson Avenue
Parkersburg, WV 26104
Phone: 304-485-6485
Fax: 304-428-7622

Ohio Valley Construction Employers Council
21 Armory Drive
Wheeling, WV 26003
Phone: 304-242-0520
Fax: 304-242-7261

Pittsburg Builders Exchange
1813 N. Franklin Street
Pittsburg, PA 15233
Phone: 412-922-4200
Fax: 412-928-9406

1.04 Addenda:

- A. Copies of Addenda may be made available where Bidding Documents are on file for inspection.

1.05 Bidder's Representations

- A. By submitting a Bid, the Bidder represents that:
1. The Bidder and all subcontractors the Bidder intends to use have carefully and thoroughly reviewed the Bidding Documents and have found them complete and free from ambiguities and sufficient for the purpose intended.
 2. The Bidder has visited the site, and is fully acquainted with all conditions which will affect the performance of the Contract including provisions for delivery, rigging, storage and other requirements. The contractors bid shall be presumed to be based upon such examination.
 3. The Bid is based upon the materials, equipment and systems required by the Bidding Documents without exception.
 4. The Bidder and all workers, employees and subcontractors the Bidder intends to use are skilled and experienced in the type of construction represented by the Bidding Documents.
 5. The Bid is based solely upon the Bidding Documents, including properly issued written addenda, and not upon any other written representation.
 6. Neither the Bidder nor any of the Bidder's employees, agents, intended suppliers or subcontractors should rely upon any verbal representatives from the Owner, or the

Owner's employees or agents including architects, engineers or consultants, in assembling the Bid figure.

1.06 List of Proposed Subcontractor and Equipment/Material Suppliers

- A. The Successful Bidder shall submit a listing of **all** subcontractors and **all** major equipment/material suppliers (along with the contractor's license number for each subcontractor as required by the "West Virginia Contractor Licensing Act") proposed for each major branch of work, to the Owner within ten (10) business days of award of the Contract. Only one subcontractor or equipment/material supplier may be listed for each area of work. The Owner strongly prefers the use of the "List of Proposed Subcontractors and Equipment Suppliers" provided in the Project Manual.
- B. In addition, the Successful bidder, thereafter known as the Contractor, maybe requested within thirty (30) calendar days after award of contract to furnish to the Owner or Architect a more detailed and complete list of the materials and equipment, together with the product manufacturer's name and catalog number and catalog cut or illustration thereof.
- C. Should it develop that any of the equipment or materials named do not meet the requirements and intent of the Contract Documents, the Bidder shall be required to furnish to the Owner other materials or equipment fully complying with the specifications at no change in contract price. Preliminary review and acceptance of the listing provided shall not relieve the Contractor from furnishing equipment and materials in complete accordance with the specifications.

1.07 Qualification Statement

- A. The qualified Contractor shall have completed a minimum of three (3) projects consisting in part or in whole of building entrance and door replacement including selective demolition, carpentry, installation of replacement door frames, doors and door hardware, remedial room finishing, and other related construction operations similar to those required on this project. **All bidders** shall include at least three (3) references indicating their having completed the three projects as detailed above. References should include the name, location, ownership, and use of the building in addition to the name, address and telephone number of a contact person with the building's owner familiar with the work completed by the Contractor. The Proposal Form includes a section in which these references should be listed.

1.08 Contract Time

- A. Final completion date shall be one hundred fifty (150) calendar days from the Owner's issuance of the letter of Notice to Proceed.
- B. The Successful Bidder, as a condition of the Contract, agrees that all Work is to be Substantially Complete thirty (30) calendar days prior to the Final Completion Date established by the Request for Quotation and the issuance of the Notice to Proceed.

1.09 Basis of Design

- A. All references in the Project Manual and Drawings to brand or manufacturer specific items are included only to establish a quality level for materials, products or equipment provided to fulfill the Contract, and thus should be considered to be followed by the words, "or equal".

1.10 Award of Contract

- A. The Bidder will note that Bid consists of the Base Bid alone which will form the contract as a whole.
- B. The Contract shall be deemed as having been awarded only upon execution of the approved, signed purchase order by the State Purchasing Division.

1.11 Form of Agreement between Owner and Contractor

- A. The Agreement for the Work shall be written on AIA Document A101 – 2007, Standard Form of Agreement between Owner and Contractor (where the basis of payment is a Stipulated Sum) including the General Terms and Conditions provided in the A201-2007 General Conditions of the Contract for Construction and the ‘State of West Virginia Supplementary Conditions to the AIA Document A201-2007 General Conditions of the Contract for Construction’.

1.12 Supplemental Documents

- A. Contractor shall be required to adhere to the WV Jobs Act. A copy of the Jobs Act is also included in the bid documents.

END OF DOCUMENT 00100

CHAPTER 21. LABOR.**ARTICLE 1C. WEST VIRGINIA JOBS ACT.****§21-1C-1. Short title.**

This article shall be called the "West Virginia Jobs Act".

§21-1C-2. Definitions.

As used in this article:

(1) The term "construction project" means any construction, reconstruction, improvement, enlargement, painting, decorating or repair of any public improvement let to contract in an amount equal to or greater than \$500,000. The term "construction project" does not include temporary or emergency repairs;

(2) (A) The term "employee" means any person hired or permitted to perform hourly work for wages by a person, firm or corporation in the construction industry;

(B) The term "employee" does not include:

(i) Bona fide employees of a public authority or individuals engaged in making temporary or emergency repairs;

(ii) Bona fide independent contractors; or

(iii) Salaried supervisory personnel necessary to assure efficient execution of the employee's work;

(3) The term "employer" means any person, firm or corporation employing one or more employees on any public improvement and includes all contractors and subcontractors;

(4) The term "local labor market" means every county in West Virginia and any county outside of West Virginia if any portion of that county is within fifty miles of the border of West Virginia;

(5) The term "public authority" means any officer, board, commission or agency of the State of West Virginia and its subdivisions, including counties and municipalities. Further, the economic grant committee, economic development authority, infrastructure and jobs development council and School Building Authority shall be required to comply with the provisions of this article for loans, grants or bonds provided for public improvement construction projects;

(6) The term "public improvement" includes the construction of all buildings, roads, highways, bridges, streets, alleys, sewers, ditches, sewage disposal plants, waterworks, airports and all other structures that may be let to contract by a public authority, excluding improvements funded, in whole or in part, by federal funds.

§21-1C-3. Legislative findings; statement of policy.

The Legislature finds that the rate of unemployment in this state is significantly higher than that of most other states and that a majority of West Virginia counties are designated as labor surplus areas by the United States department of labor.

The Legislature finds that the employment of persons from outside the local labor market on public improvement construction projects contracted for and subsidized by the taxpayers of the state contributes significantly to the rate of unemployment and the low per capita income among qualified state residents who would otherwise be hired for these jobs.

Therefore, the Legislature declares that residents of local labor markets should be employed for the construction of public improvement projects which directly utilize taxpayer funding, in whole or in part.

§21-1C-4. Local labor market utilization on public improvement construction projects; waiver certificates.

(a) Employers shall hire at least seventy-five percent of employees for public improvement construction projects from the local labor market, to be rounded off, with at least two employees from outside the local labor market permissible for each employer per project.

(b) Any employer unable to employ the minimum number of employees from the local labor market shall inform the nearest office of the bureau of employment programs' division of employment services of the number of qualified employees needed and provide a job description of the positions to be filled.

(c) If, within three business days following the placing of a job order, the division is unable to refer any qualified job applicants to the employer or refers less qualified job applicants than the number requested, then the division shall issue a waiver to the employer stating the unavailability of applicant and shall permit the employer to fill any positions covered by the waiver from outside the local labor market. The waiver shall be either oral or in writing and shall be issued within the prescribed three days. A waiver certificate shall be sent to both the employer for its permanent project records and to the public authority.

§21-1C-5. Applicability and scope of article; reporting requirements.

(a) This article applies to expenditures for construction projects by any public authority for public improvements as defined by this article.

(b) For public improvement projects let pursuant to this article, the public authority shall file, or require an employer as defined in section two of this article to file, with the Division of Labor copies of the waiver certificates and certified payrolls, pursuant to article five-a of this chapter, or other comparable documents that include the number of employees, the county and state wherein the employees reside and their occupation.

(c) The Division of Labor shall compile the information required by this section and submit it annually to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance by the fifteenth day of October. The joint committee may forward these reports to the Legislative Auditor to review and make comments regarding the usefulness of the information collected and to suggest changes to the division's method of reporting to ensure the information collected will prove useful in evaluating the effectiveness of the provisions of this article.

(d) Each public authority has the duty to implement the reporting requirements of this article. Every public improvement contract or subcontract let by a public authority shall contain provisions conforming to the requirements of this article.

(e) The Division of Labor is authorized to establish procedures for the efficient collection of data, collection of civil penalties prescribed in section six of this article and transmittal of data to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.

§21-1C-6. Penalties for violation of article.

Any employer who violates any provision of this article is subject to a civil penalty of one hundred dollars per day of violation.

§21-1C-7.

Repealed.

Acts, 2006 Reg. Sess., Ch. 131. *Note: WV Code updated with legislation passed through the 2013 1st Special Session*
The WV Code Online is an unofficial copy of the annotated WV Code, provided as a convenience. It has NOT been edited for publication, and is not in any way official or authoritative.

**Proposal Form – RFQ#GSD146432
EXTERIOR CAULKING AND CLEANING
BUILDING NOS. 5, 6, & 7
WEST VIRGINIA CAPITOL COMPLEX**

NAME OF BIDDER: Specialty Groups, Inc.

The aforementioned, hereinafter called Bidder, being familiar with and understanding the Bidding Documents and also having examined the site and being familiar with all local conditions affecting the project hereby proposes to furnish all labor, material, equipment, supplies and transportation and to perform all Work in accordance with the Bidding Documents within the time set forth for the sum of:

BASE BID:

For the sum of: One Million Seven hundred + Forty-Seven Thousand
Four hundred + Fifty-Four dollars ⁰⁰/cents (\$ 1,747,454.⁰⁰).

(Show amount in both words and numbers)

(In the event of a difference between the written amount and the number amount, the written amount shall govern.)

BID BREAKDOWN:

For Owner accounting purposes only, provide a breakdown of the Base Bid, by Building, as follows:

Base Bid, Building Five	(\$ <u>926,150.⁶²</u>)
Base Bid, Building Six	(\$ <u>733,930.⁶⁸</u>)
Base Bid, Building Seven	(\$ <u>87,372.⁷⁰</u>)

A Unit Price is an amount stated in the Bid Form as a price per unit of measurement for materials, equipment or services or a portion of the Work as described in the Bidding Documents. Unit prices shall be used solely for the formulation of any change orders subsequently requested for the awarded contract.

Unit Price No. 1:	Repair of limestone panel surfaces as indicated on the drawings. 20 Square Feet is included in the Base Bid. See Section 01 7300 Execution See Section 01 2200 Unit Prices	\$	<u>1,400.⁰⁰</u>	Add or Deduct Per Square Foot
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Reference No.1 Name:

 Adrian Lusk

 Position: District Nine Bridge Engineer

 Address: 146 Stone House Rd Lewisburg, WV 25901

 Telephone Number: (304)647-7450

 Project Name: WVDOH Expansion Joint Replacement Contract

 Project Description: Repaired concrete, installed backerrod, and installed Dow Corning Caulking
in Bridge expansion and control joints (over 1000 bridge statewide since 1996)
Reference No.2 Name:

 Bob Wright

 Position: Facility Supervisor- Bombardier Aerospace

 Address: 1 Bombardier Way Bridgeport, WV 26330

 Telephone Number: (304) 848-5133

 Project Name: Bombardier Buidling Exterior Renovation

 Project Description: Pressure wash the Dryvit Exterior of the building, repair/ replace caulking and paint
the entire facility exterior
Reference No.3 Name:

 Greg S. Hyton

 Position: Construction Engineer- WVDOH District 9

 Address: 146 Stone House Rd Lewisburg, WV 25901

 Telephone Number: (304) 647-7450

 Project Name: New River Gorge Bridge- #2719

 Project Description: Project included designing and installing access to pressure wash, spot in Rust inhibitor
replace 2500 bolts and install caulking on upper truss of the New River Gorge Bridge

WV-75
Created 07/18/12



State of West Virginia

PURCHASING DIVISION

Construction Bid Submission Review Form

This list has been provided for informational purposes only and is not to be construed as a complete list of request for quotation or bidding requirements for any individual construction project. This list does not and cannot include every item, mistake or oversight that could cause a contractor's bid to be disqualified. Rather, this list is intended to draw attention to some of the most common problems that the Purchasing Division encounters in the bidding process for construction projects. All potential bidders must read the request for quotation, all additional documents, and all instructions relating thereto ("Bid Documents") in their entirety to identify the actual request for quotation and bidding requirements. Failure to read the Bid Documents in their entirety and comply with the stated requirements contained therein may result in bid disqualification.

Errors That Shall Be Reason for Immediate Bid Disqualification

1. Failure to attend a mandatory pre-bid meeting
2. Failure to sign the bid
3. Failure to supply West Virginia contractor's license # on bid
4. Failure to supply a signed drug free workplace affidavit with the bid
5. Failure to supply a valid bid bond or other surety approved by the State of West Virginia
6. Failure to meet any mandatory requirement of the RFQ
7. Failure to acknowledge receipt of Addenda (only if stipulated as mandatory)
8. Failure to submit bid prior to the bid opening date and time
9. Federal debarment
10. State of West Virginia debarment or suspension

Errors that May Be Reason for Bid Disqualification Before Contract Award

1. Uncontested debt to the State exceeding \$1,000.00 (must be cured prior to award)
2. Workers' Compensation or Unemployment Compensation delinquency (must be cured prior to award)
3. Not registered as a vendor with the State (must be cured prior to award)
4. Failure to obtain required bonds and/or insurance
5. Failure to provide the sub-contractor listing within 1 business day of bid opening.
6. Failure to use the provided RFQ form (only if stipulated as mandatory).



**State of West Virginia
DRUG FREE WORKPLACE CONFORMANCE AFFIDAVIT
West Virginia Code §21-1D-5**

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA,

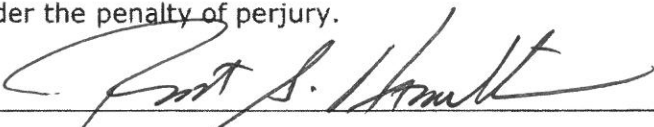
COUNTY OF Harrison, TO-WIT:

I, Robert S. Hamilton, after being first duly sworn, depose and state as follows:

1. I am an employee of Specialty Groups, Inc.; and,
(Company Name)
2. I do hereby attest that Specialty Groups, Inc.
(Company Name)

maintains a valid written drug free workplace policy and that such policy is in compliance with **West Virginia Code** §21-1D.

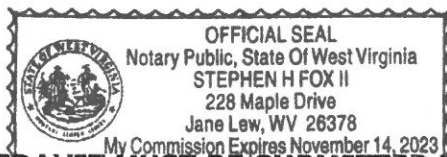
The above statements are sworn to under the penalty of perjury.

By: 
 Title: Robert S. Hamilton, Project Manager
 Company Name: Specialty Groups, Inc.
 Date: June 20, 2014

Taken, subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of June, 2014.

By Commission expires Nov 14th 2023

(Seal)




(Notary Public)

THIS AFFIDAVIT MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THE BID IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH WV CODE PROVISIONS. FAILURE TO INCLUDE THE AFFIDAVIT WITH THE BID SHALL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION OF THE BID.

BID BOND PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

AGENCY (A) _____
RFQ/RFP# (B) _____

- (A) WV State Agency
(Stated on Page 1 "Spending Unit")
- (B) Request for Quotation Number (upper right corner of page #1)
- (C) Your Business Entity Name (or Individual Name if Sole Proprietor)
- (D) City, Location of your Company
- (E) State, Location of your Company
- (F) Surety Corporate Name
- (G) City, Location of Surety
- (H) State, Location of Surety
- (I) State of Surety Incorporation
- (J) City of Surety's Principal Office
- (K) Minimum amount of acceptable bid bond is 5% of total bid. You may state "5% of bid" or a specific amount on this line in words.
- (L) Amount of bond in numbers
- (M) Brief Description of scope of work
- (N) Day of the month
- (O) Month
- (P) Year
- (Q) Name of Business Entity (or Individual Name if Sole Proprietor)
- (R) Seal of Principal
- (S) Signature of President, Vice President, or Authorized Agent
- (T) Title of Person Signing for Principal
- (U) Seal of Surety
- (V) Name of Surety
- (W) Signature of Attorney in Fact of the Surety

Bid Bond

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, the undersigned, _____ (C) of _____ (D) _____ (E) as Principal, and _____ (F) of _____ (G) _____ (H), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of _____ (I) with its principal office in the City of _____ (J) _____, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto The State of West Virginia, as Obligee, in the penal sum of _____ (K) (\$ _____ (L) _____) for the payment of which, well and truly to be made, we jointly and severally bind ourselves, our heirs, administrators, executors, successors and assigns.

The Condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the Principal has submitted to the Purchasing Section of the Department of Administration a certain bid or proposal, attached hereto and made a part hereof to enter into a contract in writing for _____ (M) _____

NOW THEREFORE

(a) If said bid shall be rejected, or
 (b) If said bid shall be accepted and the Principal shall enter into a contract in accordance with the bid or proposal attached hereto and shall furnish any other bonds and insurance required by the bid or proposal, and shall in all other respects perform the agreement created by the acceptance of said bid then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise this obligation shall remain in full force and effect. It is expressly understood and agreed that the liability of the Surety for any and all claims hereunder shall, in no event, exceed the penal amount of this obligation as herein stated

The Surety for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that the obligations of said Surety and its bond shall be in no way impaired or affected by any extension of time within which the Obligee may accept such bid; and said Surety does hereby waive notice of any such extension.

WITNESS, the following signatures and seals of Principal and Surety, executed and sealed by a proper officer of Principal and Surety, or by Principal individually if Principal is an individual, the _____ (N) day of _____ (O) _____, 20____ (P)_____.

Principal Seal _____ (Q)
 (Name of Principal)
 (R) By _____ (S)
 (Must be President, Vice President, or Duly Authorized Agent)
 _____ (T)
 Title
 Surety Seal _____ (U)
 (Name of Surety)
 _____ (W)
 Attorney-in-Fact

NOTE 1: Dated Power of Attorney with Surety Seal must accompany this bid bond.

IMPORTANT – Surety executing bonds must be licensed in West Virginia to transact surety insurance, must affix its seal, and must attach a power of attorney with its seal affixed.

Agency _____
REQ.P.O.# GSD146432

BID BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, the undersigned, _____
_____ of _____, _____, as Principal, and _____
_____ of _____, _____, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of _____
_____ with its principal office in the City of _____, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the State
of West Virginia, as Obligee, in the penal sum of _____ (\$ _____) for the payment of which,
well and truly to be made, we jointly and severally bind ourselves, our heirs, administrators, executors, successors and assigns.

The Condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the Principal has submitted to the Purchasing Section of the
Department of Administration a certain bid or proposal, attached hereto and made a part hereof, to enter into a contract in writing for

NOW THEREFORE,

- (a) If said bid shall be rejected, or
- (b) If said bid shall be accepted and the Principal shall enter into a contract in accordance with the bid or proposal
attached hereto and shall furnish any other bonds and insurance required by the bid or proposal, and shall in all other respects perform
the agreement created by the acceptance of said bid, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise this obligation shall remain in
full force and effect. It is expressly understood and agreed that the liability of the Surety for any and all claims hereunder shall, in no
event, exceed the penal amount of this obligation as herein stated.

The Surety, for the value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that the obligations of said Surety and its bond shall be in no
way impaired or affected by any extension of the time within which the Obligee may accept such bid, and said Surety does hereby
waive notice of any such extension.

WITNESS, the following signatures and seals of Principal and Surety, executed and sealed by a proper officer of Principal and
Surety, or by Principal individually if Principal is an individual, this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Principal Seal

(Name of Principal)

By _____
(Must be President, Vice President, or
Duly Authorized Agent)

(Title)

Surety Seal

(Name of Surety)

Attorney-in-Fact

**IMPORTANT – Surety executing bonds must be licensed in West Virginia to transact surety insurance, must affix its seal, and
must attach a power of attorney with its seal affixed.**

RFQ No. GSD146432

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
Purchasing Division

PURCHASING AFFIDAVIT

MANDATE: Under W. Va. Code §5A-3-10a, no contract or renewal of any contract may be awarded by the state or any of its political subdivisions to any vendor or prospective vendor when the vendor or prospective vendor or a related party to the vendor or prospective vendor is a debtor and: (1) the debt owed is an amount greater than one thousand dollars in the aggregate; or (2) the debtor is in employer default.

EXCEPTION: The prohibition listed above does not apply where a vendor has contested any tax administered pursuant to chapter eleven of the W. Va. Code, workers' compensation premium, permit fee or environmental fee or assessment and the matter has not become final or where the vendor has entered into a payment plan or agreement and the vendor is not in default of any of the provisions of such plan or agreement.

DEFINITIONS:

"Debt" means any assessment, premium, penalty, fine, tax or other amount of money owed to the state or any of its political subdivisions because of a judgment, fine, permit violation, license assessment, defaulted workers' compensation premium, penalty or other assessment presently delinquent or due and required to be paid to the state or any of its political subdivisions, including any interest or additional penalties accrued thereon.

"Employer default" means having an outstanding balance or liability to the old fund or to the uninsured employers' fund or being in policy default, as defined in W. Va. Code § 23-2c-2, failure to maintain mandatory workers' compensation coverage, or failure to fully meet its obligations as a workers' compensation self-insured employer. An employer is not in employer default if it has entered into a repayment agreement with the Insurance Commissioner and remains in compliance with the obligations under the repayment agreement.

"Related party" means a party, whether an individual, corporation, partnership, association, limited liability company or any other form or business association or other entity whatsoever, related to any vendor by blood, marriage, ownership or contract through which the party has a relationship of ownership or other interest with the vendor so that the party will actually or by effect receive or control a portion of the benefit, profit or other consideration from performance of a vendor contract with the party receiving an amount that meets or exceed five percent of the total contract amount.

AFFIRMATION: By signing this form, the vendor's authorized signer affirms and acknowledges under penalty of law for false swearing (W. Va. Code §61-5-3) that neither vendor nor any related party owe a debt as defined above and that neither vendor nor any related party are in employer default as defined above, unless the debt or employer default is permitted under the exception above.

WITNESS THE FOLLOWING SIGNATURE:

Vendor's Name: Specialty Groups, Inc.

Authorized Signature: [Signature] Date: June 20, 2014

State of West Virginia

County of Harrison, to-wit:

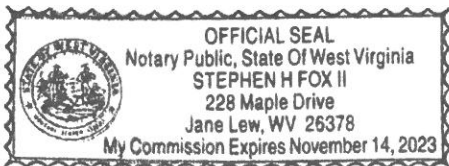
Taken, subscribed, and sworn to before me this 20th day of June, 2014.

My Commission expires November 14th, 2023.

AFFIX SEAL HERE

NOTARY PUBLIC [Signature]

Purchasing Affidavit (Revised 07/01/2012)



ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

SOLICITATION NO.:

GSD146432

Instructions: Please acknowledge receipt of all addenda issued with this solicitation by completing this addendum acknowledgment form. Check the box next to each addendum received and sign below. Failure to acknowledge addenda may result in bid disqualification.

Acknowledgment: I hereby acknowledge receipt of the following addenda and have made the necessary revisions to my proposal, plans and/or specification, etc.

Addendum Numbers Received:

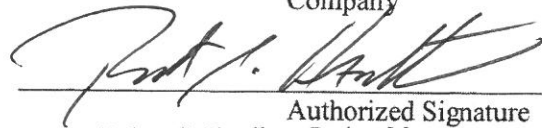
(Check the box next to each addendum received)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 6 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 7 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 8 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 9 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 10 |

I understand that failure to confirm the receipt of addenda may be cause for rejection of this bid. I further understand that any verbal representation made or assumed to be made during any oral discussion held between Vendor's representatives and any state personnel is not binding. Only the information issued in writing and added to the specifications by an official addendum is binding.

Specialty Groups, Inc.

Company



Authorized Signature

Robert S. Hamilton, Project Manager

June 20, 2014

Date

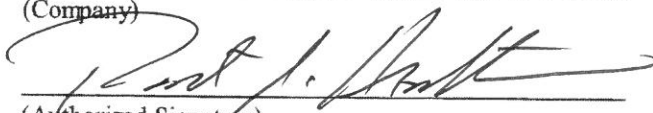
NOTE: This addendum acknowledgment should be submitted with the bid to expedite document processing.

CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE PAGE

By signing below, I certify that I have reviewed this Solicitation in its entirety; understand the requirements, terms and conditions, and other information contained herein; that I am submitting this bid or proposal for review and consideration; that I am authorized by the bidder to execute this bid or any documents related thereto on bidder's behalf; that I am authorized to bind the bidder in a contractual relationship; and that to the best of my knowledge, the bidder has properly registered with any State agency that may require registration.

Specialty Groups, Inc.

(Company)



(Authorized Signature)

Robert S. Hamilton, Project Manager

(Representative Name, Title)

(304) 623-3844

(Phone Number)

(304) 623-3843

(Fax Number)

June 20, 2014

(Date)

BID BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, the undersigned, Specialty Groups, Inc.
of Bridgeport, WV, as Principal, and Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual)
of Des Moines, IA, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of
IA with its principal office in the City of Des Moines, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the State
of West Virginia, as Obligee, in the penal sum of Five Percent of Amount Bid (\$ 5%) for the payment of which,
well and truly to be made, we jointly and severally bind ourselves, our heirs, administrators, executors, successors and assigns.

The Condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the Principal has submitted to the Purchasing Section of the
Department of Administration a certain bid or proposal, attached hereto and made a part hereof, to enter into a contract in writing for
GSD146432 WV State Capital Buildings 5, 6 and 7 Cleaning and Caulking - According to Plans and Specifications

NOW THEREFORE,

- (a) If said bid shall be rejected, or
- (b) If said bid shall be accepted and the Principal shall enter into a contract in accordance with the bid or proposal attached
hereto and shall furnish any other bonds and insurance required by the bid or proposal, and shall in all other respects perform the
agreement created by the acceptance of said bid, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise this obligation shall remain in full
force and effect. It is expressly understood and agreed that the liability of the Surety for any and all claims hereunder shall, in no event,
exceed the penal amount of this obligation as herein stated.

The Surety, for the value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that the obligations of said Surety and its bond shall be in no
way impaired or affected by any extension of the time within which the Obligee may accept such bid, and said Surety does hereby
waive notice of any such extension.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Principal and Surety have hereunto set their hands and seals, and such of them as are corporations
have caused their corporate seals to be affixed hereunto and these presents to be signed by their proper officers, this
24th day of June, 2014.

Principal Corporate Seal

Specialty Groups, Inc.
(Name of Principal)
By [Signature]
(Must be President or
Vice President)
President
(Title)

Surety Corporate Seal

Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual)
(Name of Surety)
By [Signature]
Kimberly J. Wilkinson, WV Resident Agent Attorney-in-Fact

IMPORTANT – Surety executing bonds must be licensed in West Virginia to transact surety insurance. Corporate seals must be affixed,
and a power of attorney must be attached.

MERCHANTS
BONDING COMPANY™
POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know All Persons By These Presents, that MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC., both being corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of Iowa (herein collectively called the "Companies"), and that the Companies do hereby make, constitute and appoint, individually,

Allan L McVey; Gregory T Gordon; Kimberly J Wilkinson; Patricia A Moye

of Charleston and State of West Virginia their true and lawful Attorney-in-Fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred in their name, place and stead, to sign, execute, acknowledge and deliver in their behalf as surety any and all bonds, undertakings, recognizances or other written obligations in the nature thereof, subject to the limitation that any such instrument shall not exceed the amount of:

EIGHT MILLION (\$8,000,000.00) DOLLARS

and to bind the Companies thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such bond or undertaking was signed by the duly authorized officers of the Companies, and all the acts of said Attorney-in-Fact, pursuant to the authority herein given, are hereby ratified and confirmed.

This Power-of-Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following By-Laws adopted by the Board of Directors of the Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual) on April 23, 2011 and adopted by the Board of Directors of Merchants National Bonding, Inc., on October 24, 2011.

"The President, Secretary, Treasurer, or any Assistant Treasurer or any Assistant Secretary or any Vice President shall have power and authority to appoint Attorneys-in-Fact, and to authorize them to execute on behalf of the Company, and attach the seal of the Company thereto, bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof.

The signature of any authorized officer and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile or electronic transmission to any Power of Attorney or Certification thereof authorizing the execution and delivery of any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or other suretyship obligations of the Company, and such signature and seal when so used shall have the same force and effect as though manually fixed."

In Witness Whereof, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed and sealed this 9th day of December, 2013.



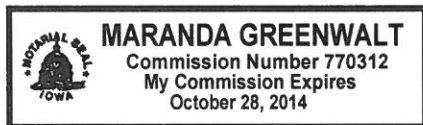
MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL)
MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC.

By *Larry Taylor*
President

STATE OF IOWA
COUNTY OF POLK ss.

On this 9th day of December, 2013, before me appeared Larry Taylor, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn did say that he is President of the MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC.; and that the seals affixed to the foregoing instrument is the Corporate Seals of the Companies; and that the said instrument was signed and sealed in behalf of the Companies by authority of their respective Boards of Directors.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal at the City of Des Moines, Iowa, the day and year first above written.



Maranda Greenwalt
Notary Public, Polk County, Iowa

STATE OF IOWA
COUNTY OF POLK ss.

I, William Warner, Jr., Secretary of the MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC., do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the POWER-OF-ATTORNEY executed by said Companies, which is still in full force and effect and has not been amended or revoked.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Companies on this 24th day of June, 2014.



William Warner Jr.
Secretary