



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

**Solicitation**

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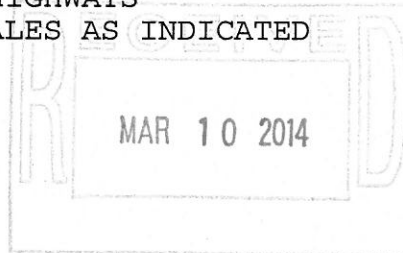
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DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS  
 VARIOUS LOCALES AS INDICATED  
 BY ORDER



DATE PRINTED
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BID OPENING DATE: 04/02/2014

BID OPENING TIME 1:30PM

LINE	QUANTITY	UOP	CAT. NO.	ITEM NUMBER	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
0001	1	EA		964-45		
LEASE OF EQUIPMENT WITH AND WITHOUT OPERATOR						
REQUEST FOR QUOTATION OPEN-END CONTRACT						
THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE PURCHASING DIVISION FOR THE AGENCY, THE WEST VIRGINIA DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS, IS SOLICITING BIDS TO PROVIDE THE AGENCY WITH AN OPEN-END CONTRACT FOR EQUIPMENT LEASING/RENTAL FOR USE AT LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA PER THE ATTACHED SPECIFICATIONS.						
***** THIS IS THE END OF RFQ 6614C031 ***** TOTAL:						See Attached Schedule page 41 1 Item Bid
04/02/14 10:58:11AM West Virginia Purchasing Division						

SIGNATURE: <i>Frank A. Harrell</i>	TELEPHONE: (304) 623-3844	DATE: 4-2-14
TITLE: Proj. mgr.	FEIN: 55-0614471	ADDRESS CHANGES TO BE NOTED ABOVE

WHEN RESPONDING TO SOLICITATION, INSERT NAME AND ADDRESS IN SPACE ABOVE LABELED 'VENDOR'



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:            March 19, 2014 at 5:00 PM EST

Submit Questions to:                        Crystal Rink  
 2019 Washington Street, East  
 Charleston, WV 25305  
 Fax: 304-558-4115  
 Email: [crystal.g.rink@wv.gov](mailto:crystal.g.rink@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  
 2019 Washington Street East  
 Charleston, WV 25305-0130

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: April 2, 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 **award**  
and extends for a period of **1** 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 **2** 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 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 of 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.

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.

West Virginia Contractors License

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  
n/a for n/a

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](mailto: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.



**ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM**  
**SOLICITATION NO.: 6614C031**

**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 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.  
 PO Box 96  
 Bridgeport, WV 26330-0096

*Specialty Groups Inc.*  
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 Company

*Paul A. Hurdle*  
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 Authorized Signature

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 Date

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

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**SPECIFICATIONS**

1. **PURPOSE AND SCOPE:** The West Virginia Purchasing Division is soliciting bids on behalf of the West Virginia Division of Highways to establish an open-end contract to provide equipment for lease/rental from individuals and organizations for use at locations throughout the State of WV by the WV Division of Highways. Such equipment will be required for the completion of maintenance or construction projects or any other such condition as may result in equipment needs beyond WV Division of Highways' fleet capacity.
  
2. **DEFINITIONS:** The terms listed below shall have the meanings assigned to them below. Additional definitions can be found in section 2 of the General Terms and Conditions.
  - 2.1 **"Contract Item"** or **"Contract Items"** means the list of items identified for lease/rental in Section III, Subsection 3.2 below.
  - 2.2 **"Pricing Pages"** means the schedule of prices attached hereto as Exhibit A and Exhibit B, Schedules I and II, used to evaluate the RFQ.
  - 2.3 **"RFQ"** means the official request for quotation published by the Purchasing Division and identified as 6614C031.
  - 2.4 **"WVDOH"** used throughout this RFQ means the West Virginia Division of Highways.
  - 2.5 **"Lease/Rental"** or any version of this language used throughout this RFQ means an agreement wherein the WVDOH leases/rents the equipment set forth and described in Schedule I and II for periods of time not to exceed ninety days unless otherwise clearly specified in the Agency Release.
  - 2.6 **"Contractor", "Vendor" or "Equipment Owner"** used throughout this RFQ and in any cited sections of the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways Standard Specifications, Roads and Bridges, adopted 2010, as modified by all subsequent annual Supplemental Specifications, are interchangeable.
  - 2.7 **"Standard Specs"** used throughout this RFQ means the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways Standard Specifications, Roads and Bridges, adopted 2010, as modified by all subsequent annual Supplemental Specifications.

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**3. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:**

- 3.1. Specifications:** The following sections of the Standard Specs, shall apply to the administration of this contract: sections 101, 102.4, 102.5, 102.6, except the second sentence of the first paragraph is deleted; 102.7, except numerals IV and V are deleted; 102.12, 102.13, 107, 108.8, 108.9, 109, 110 and all other related sections of the Standard Specs. Copies attached.

A complete hard copy of the Standard Specs may be obtained from:

West Virginia Division of Highways  
Contract Administration  
Building 5, Room 722  
1900 Kanawha Boulevard, East  
Charleston, West Virginia 25305  
(Phone) 304-558-2885

A complete electronic copy of the Standard Specs may be obtained by sourcing:  
<http://www.transportation.wv.gov/highways/Contractadmin/specifications/2010StandSpec/Pages/default.aspx>

- 3.2 Contract Items and Mandatory Requirements:** Vendor shall provide Agency with the Contract Items listed below as a lease/rental Contract Item on an open-end and continuing basis. Contract Items must meet or exceed the mandatory requirements as shown below.

**3.2.1 Exhibit B, Pricing Pages, Schedule I, Equipment Offered for Lease/Rental, Without Delivery/Without Operator**

**3.2.2 Exhibit B, Pricing Pages, Schedule II, Equipment Offered for Lease/Rental, Without Delivery/WITH Operator**

**3.2.3 Mobilization:** Vendors shall deliver needed equipment at any given time, assembled and ready to operate to any location or locations designated by the WVDOH on an Agency Release. Bids for mobilization shall be bid per mile. Mobilization bid in any form other than cost per mile shall be grounds to disqualify the Vendor's bid. Vendor shall bid the cost of equipment delivery for the first mile and the cost for any additional miles after the first mile. Delivery/Mobilization fees shall be calculated and paid one-way only by the WVDOH from the Vendor's storage location to the WVDOH project site. When the Vendor has multiple projects or the equipment is traveling from WVDOH location or project to project, additional miles will only be paid from project to project or from the Vendor's storage location to the project, whichever is less mileage. The

WVDOH will provide the location for delivery of the leased/rented equipment to the Vendor on an Agency Release.

The WVDOH will calculate the in-state delivery route mileage from the equipment owner's location of the equipment to the WVDOH job site utilizing the WVDOH Straight Line Diagrams. These Diagrams for WV Primary Routes and WV Secondary Routes are available in each WVDOH's District Office and the Central Office located in Charleston, WV. The WVDOH will determine the route to be taken due to bridge and/or road restrictions.

Out-of-state delivery route mileage will be calculated by the WVDOH utilizing "Map Quest" or a similar source for routing from the equipment owner's location of the equipment to the WV State line at which time, the Straight Line Diagrams will be sourced to the WVDOH job site.

**3.2.4 Lease/Rental Period:** Quoted rates for leased/rented equipment, with operator or without operator, shall be for lease/rental days, weeks and months.

A lease/rental day is a day of agency possession of equipment during which it is not down for four hours or more during the normal work period. NOTE: Days on which a piece of equipment is down for normal maintenance or repair for four hours or more during the normal work period shall be considered a day of downtime and shall not be considered a day of equipment lease/rental.

A lease/rental week is seven lease/rented days, including Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays.

A lease/rental month is thirty lease/rented days, including Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays.

The date of official receipt of leased/rented equipment by the WVDOH shall be considered the first day of lease/rental. The day immediately preceding the date on which leased/rented equipment is officially returned to the owner shall be considered the last day of lease.

A day or days used by the Vendor solely for the purpose of travel to the site, set-up or breakdown of the equipment shall not be considered as a lease/rental day.



**3.2.5 Maintenance of Lease/Rental Equipment:**

**3.2.6.1 Equipment leased/rented from Schedule I:** At its own expense, the WVDOH shall provide only fuel, oil and other lubricants, which are necessary for the operation, maintenance and use, of the equipment leased/rented from Schedule I. The WVDOH shall repair or replace any part of the leased equipment which shall be destroyed, damaged or made inoperative by reason of the ordinary negligence, abuse or improper operation by its personnel. The WVDOH shall not be responsible for any such replacement or repair caused by any defect existing in such equipment at the time of delivery by the Vendor to the WVDOH or if the need for such replacement or repair resulted from normal usage. The WVDOH shall replace or repair any part of said equipment which shall become lost, stolen or damaged by reason of the failure of the WVDOH and its personnel to use ordinary care for the protection of such equipment.

**3.2.6.1.1 Down Time:** All such equipment inoperable by reason of the necessity of replacement parts or repair of damage for a period of time greater than four hours shall be considered by the WVDOH as "down" and no payment shall be made by the WVDOH for the use of such equipment for such periods unless such "down time" is due to the negligence or lack of reasonable care by the WVDOH.

**3.2.6.1.2 Risk of Loss, Damage, Destruction or Theft:** While in the possession or under the control of the WVDOH, due to or caused by the ordinary negligence of the WVDOH or its personnel or by the failure of the WVDOH or its personnel to exercise ordinary care for the protection of such equipment, the responsibility shall be borne by the WVDOH from and after the delivery of such equipment by the Vendor to the location designated by the Agency Release and its acceptance by the WVDOH according to Section 6.1.1. of these specifications and the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth. The WVDOH shall not be responsible for any such loss, damage, destruction or theft, partial or complete, caused by a defect in such equipment existing at the time of delivery thereof by the Vendor to the WVDOH.

The total or partial loss of use or possession of any said equipment shall not abate any payments required to be made by the WVDOH to the Vendor if such loss of use or possession is caused by the

ordinary negligence or the lack of ordinary care of such equipment by the WVDOH or its personnel.

The said equipment shall be deemed to be a total loss by reason of its disappearance or if it has sustained physical damage and the estimated cost of repairs is determined to exceed 75% of the market value of such equipment. If a claim is made by the Vendor against the WVDOH for the loss or damage to such equipment, the Commissioner of the WVDOH shall review such claim and if after review the Commissioner shall determine that a sum of money is due the Vendor and acceptable to the Vendor, issue a requisition to the Auditor of the State of WV for the payment of such agreed sum to the Vendor. Reference WV Code §17-3-4. See copy attached.  
<http://www.legis.state.wv.us/WVCODE/ChapterEntire.cfm?chap=17&art=3&section=4#03>

In the event that, prior to the payment of any claim to the Vendor by the WVDOH, the Vendor shall receive any sum of money from any insurance company or from any person, firm or corporation, any such sum of money shall be deducted by the WVDOH from any claim to be paid by it to the Vendor. The same shall be with the Vendor. If the Vendor shall receive any sum of money from any insurance company or from any person, firm or corporation a sum of money after payment from the WVDOH has been received, the Vendor shall reimburse the WVDOH the amount received or such part received that equals the amount WVDOH has paid to the Vendor.

The Vendor may at its choice proceed to the WV Court of Claims as to any claim it may have against the WVDOH for such loss, damage, destruction or theft of said equipment.

**3.2.6.2 Equipment leased/rented from Schedule II:** Equipment leased/rented from Schedule II shall have fuel, oil and other lubricants supplied by the Vendor. Vendors shall be responsible for performance of regular, routine, preventive maintenance, according to Manufacturer recommendations of equipment and parts/supplies associated with regular, routine, preventive maintenance activities.

**3.2.6.2.1 Risk of Loss, Damage, Destruction or Theft:** The Vendor shall be responsible for maintenance of such equipment, for all loss to such equipment, destruction of or damage to such equipment and shall repair or replace any such equipment lost or

destroyed. "Down time" will be referred to as described in Section 3.2.6.1.1 of these specifications.

After the equipment is delivered to the WVDOH job site or WVDOH location by the Vendor, according to the Agency Release, the WVDOH shall then be responsible for any loss of such equipment or any part of the equipment during the time that the equipment is not in use or is not required to be attended by the Vendor's operators. The WVDOH shall be responsible for the security of such equipment as limited to ordinary care.

NOTE: Operators furnished by the Vendor per Schedule II, while under the direction of the WVDOH, shall remain the employees of and under the control of the Vendor and shall not be considered as agents of the Division of Highways.

#### 4. CONTRACT AWARD:

- 4.1 Contract Award:** The Contract is intended to provide Agencies with a lease/rental price on all Contract Items. A Contract shall be awarded to all responsible Vendors that provide the Contract Items for lease/rental which meet all required specifications of this contract.
- 4.2 Pricing Pages:** Exhibit A, Counties Bid, should be completed and submitted with Exhibit B, Pricing Pages. Vendors should mark with an "X" or "√" whether their submitted pricing is for "Statewide" or particular "Counties". If Vendor fails to state which County or Counties he wishes to lease/rent equipment to the WVDOH, it will be assumed that the Vendor's bid is for Statewide.

Vendor should complete Exhibit B, Pricing Pages by providing the Manufacturer's Name, Model/Serial #, Daily, Weekly and/or Monthly Rental Rate, without delivery, and the Equipment Delivery Fee for each item bid. Vendor may bid any or all items on Exhibit B, Pricing Pages. Failure to provide this information on the Pricing Pages for each item bid may result in disqualification of award to the Vendor for that particular item.

The Pricing Pages contain a list of the Contract Items. At this time, there is no estimated lease/rental volume available for any item. No future use of the Contract or any individual item is guaranteed or implied.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Purchasing Division may correct errors at its discretion. Vendor should type or electronically enter the information into the Pricing Pages to prevent errors in the evaluation. The Pricing Pages were created as

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a Microsoft Excel document and Vendor can request an electronic copy for bid purposes by sending an email request to the following address:  
[crystal.g.rink@wv.gov](mailto:crystal.g.rink@wv.gov).

**5. ORDERING, INVOICING AND PAYMENT:**

- 5.1 Ordering:** Vendor shall accept orders by regular mail, facsimile, e-mail, or any other written forms of communication. Vendor may, but is not required to, accept on-line orders through a secure internet ordering portal/website. If Vendor has the ability to accept on-line orders, it should include in its response a brief description of how Agencies may utilize the on-line ordering system. Any on-line ordering system must have the capability to restrict prices and available items to conform to the Catalog originally submitted with this RFQ. Vendor shall ensure that its on-line ordering system is properly secured prior to processing Agency orders on-line.

At the time of need, the WVDOH will compute the cost of leasing/renting the equipment plus the cost of delivery of said equipment to the WVDOH job site and award the Agency Release to the equipment owner who can furnish the needed equipment at the least overall cost. The WVDOH shall record the Vendor's equipment serial number on the Agency Release.

An example: Lease/Rental of an Aerial Bucket Truck for three days (with or without Operator) at \$100.00/day with 10 mile delivery at \$1.00/1<sup>st</sup> mile and \$.50/each additional mile. To calculate lease/rental: \$100.00/day x 3 days = \$300.00 for lease/rental of the equipment only. To calculate mobilization: \$1.00/1<sup>st</sup> mile plus \$.50/each additional mile x 9 miles = \$5.50 for mobilization of equipment only. Add \$300.00 for equipment and \$5.50 for mobilization for a total of \$305.50 lease/rental for three days.

Proximity of equipment to the WVDOH job site shall be a factor in determination of each Agency Release. As explained in the preceding paragraphs, the Agency Release will be issued to the lowest bidder; however, it is understood between the WVDOH and all Vendors whose bids are accepted, in the event that the low bidder for any given job is unable to perform, the Agency Release will be cancelled and given to the next lowest bidder. In the event that no bidder can be found to perform the duties and obligations under this contract, then the Agency Release may be cancelled and the lease/rental for the needed equipment may be bid on the open market.

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**5.2 Invoicing:**

- 5.2.1** Invoicing shall be at a minimum of no less than one lease/rental day. Equipment lease/rented for one lease/rental day shall equal four or more hours as described in Section 3.2.5 of this contract.
- 5.2.2** Equipment leased/rented for one lease/rental week shall be invoiced at the weekly lease/rental rate or the number of lease/rental days times the daily lease/rental rate, whichever is less.
- 5.2.3** Equipment leased/rented for more than one lease/rental week, but less than one lease/rental month shall be invoiced at the monthly lease/rental rate or the number of lease/rental weeks times the weekly lease/rental rate including any period less than a multiple of seven days, whichever is less.
- 5.2.4** Equipment leased/rented for one lease/rental month or more shall be invoiced at the monthly rate. In the event that the lease/rental period is not a multiple of thirty lease/rental days, each day in excess of the multiple shall be evaluated as one-thirtieth of a lease/rental month.
- 5.2.5** An invoice submitted to the WVDOH shall include the following:
- a) The beginning date and the date on which invoice period ends.
  - b) The number of lease/rental days in the invoicing period.
  - c) The number of equipment downtime days in the invoicing period.
  - d) The make, model and serial number of the leased equipment being invoiced as identified on the Vendor's contract.
  - e) The total owed to the Vendor and the method of calculation.

NOTE 1: The WVDOH will supply the equipment owner with the downtime days in any calendar month within ten days following the end of the calendar month or within two days following termination of a lease/rental, whichever is appropriate. The owner may obtain this information sooner by calling the WVDOH District that is leasing/renting the equipment.

NOTE 2: The period of need for leased/rented equipment as specified in the Agency Release is only an estimate of need and shall not be used for invoicing purposes. Payment shall only be made for actual leased/rented days.

- 5.3 Payment:** Vendor shall accept payment in accordance with the payment procedures of the State of West Virginia. 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.

**6. DELIVERY AND RETURN:**

**6.1 Delivery Time:** Vendor shall deliver standard orders within 24 hours after orders are received. Vendor shall deliver emergency orders within an agreed upon acceptable timeframe by the Vendor and the WVDOH after orders are received. Vendor shall ship all orders in accordance with the above schedule and shall not hold orders until a minimum delivery quantity is met.

**6.1.1 Acceptance, Beginning of Lease/Rental Period:** Upon delivery of each item of equipment by the Vendor to the location described in the Agency Release, the WVDOH shall test and inspect the equipment. If such item of equipment is found to be in good order, the WVDOH shall accept such item of equipment and acknowledge the same in whatever form reasonably required by the Vendor. Such item of equipment shall be deemed to have been delivered to and accepted by the WVDOH on the date specified in such acknowledgement and the term of the Agency Release and this contract shall be deemed to begin on that date.

**6.2 Late Delivery:** The Agency placing the order under this Contract must be notified in writing if orders will be delayed for any reason. Any delay in delivery that could cause harm to an Agency will be grounds for cancellation of the delayed order, and/or obtaining the items ordered from a third party.

Any Agency seeking to obtain items from a third party under this provision must first obtain approval of the Purchasing Division.

**6.3 Delivery Payment/Risk of Loss:** Standard order delivery or emergency delivery shall be as per Section 5.1 of these specifications. Vendor shall include the cost of standard order delivery charges in its bid pricing/discount as directed in Section 3.2.4 of these specifications and is not permitted to charge the Agency separately for such delivery.

**6.4 Return of Equipment:** Upon the completion of the project, for which the equipment was leased/rented, the WVDOH will return the equipment, at its expense to the Vendor at the original location at which such equipment was delivered to the WVDOH. The equipment must be washed and clean upon return to the vendor.

**6.5 Return of Unacceptable Items:** If the Agency deems the Contract Items to be unacceptable, such as the Vendor delivering a piece of equipment that was not bid



for lease/rent on this contract, the Contract Items shall be returned to Vendor at Vendor's expense and with no restocking charge. Vendor shall either make arrangements for the return within five (5) days of being notified that items are unacceptable, or permit the Agency to arrange for the return and reimburse Agency for delivery expenses. All returns of unacceptable items shall be F.O.B. the Agency's location. The returned product shall either be replaced, or the Agency shall receive a full credit or refund for the lease/rental price, at the Agency's discretion.

- 6.6 Return Due to Agency Error:** Items ordered in error by the Agency will be returned for credit within 30 days of receipt, F.O.B. Vendor's location. Vendor shall not charge a restocking fee if returned products are in a resalable condition. Items shall be deemed to be in a resalable condition if they are unused and in the original packaging. Any restocking fee for items not in a resalable condition shall be the lower of the Vendor's customary restocking fee or 5% of the total invoiced value of the returned items.

**7. MISCELLANEOUS:**

- 7.1 No Substitutions:** Vendor shall supply only Contract Items submitted in response to the RFQ unless a Contract modification is approved in accordance with the provisions contained in this Contract.
- 7.2 Vendor Supply:** Vendor must carry sufficient inventory of the Contract Items being offered to fulfill its obligations under this Contract. By signing its bid, Vendor certifies that it can supply the Contract Items contained in its bid response.
- 7.3 Inspection of Equipment:** The Vendor shall have the right, during normal working hours, to the extent of the WVDOH's authority, to enter upon the premises where the said equipment is located for the purpose of inspecting or observing the use of the lease/rented equipment.
- 7.4 Damage Beyond Control of the WVDOH:** The WVDOH shall not be liable for damage to or loss of any leased/rented equipment resulting from lightning, Acts of God, riots, strikes or other causes beyond the WVDOH's control.
- 7.5 Insurance:** The WVDOH is insured by the Board of Risk and Insurance Management. Insurance coverage will be provided by that agency only for long term, over thirty consecutive days of equipment lease/rental. Insurance coverage for short term lease/rental of equipment will be the responsibility of the owner/Vendor. The WVDOH will, at its option, either replace or pay to the Vendor the fair market value of any of the said equipment or any part thereof, lost destroyed or stolen by reason of the negligence of or lack of ordinary care on the part of its

employees.

- 7.6 **Liens:** The WVDOH shall not directly or indirectly create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any mortgage, pledge, lien, charge and encumbrance or claim on or with respect to the lease/rented equipment, except with respect to the respective rights of the Vendor and the WVDOH.
- 7.7 **Reports:** Vendor shall provide quarterly reports and annual summaries to the Agency showing the Agency's items leased/rented, quantities of items leased/rented and total dollar value of the items leased/rented. Vendor shall also provide reports, upon request, showing the items leased/rented during the term of this Contract, the quantity leased/rented for each of those items and the total value of lease/rental for each of those items. Failure to supply such reports may be grounds for cancellation of this Contract.
- 7.8 **Contract Manager:** During its performance of this Contract, the Vendor must designate and maintain a primary Contract Manager responsible for overseeing Vendor's responsibilities under this Contract. The Contract Manager must be available during normal business hours to address any customer service or other issues related to this Contract. Vendor should list its Contract Manager and his or her contact information below:

Contract Manager: Robert S. Hamilton  
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Exhibit A, Counties Bid

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Vendor shall indicate the area which he wishes to lease/rent equipment to the WVDOH by placing an "X" or "v" beside the County, Counties or Statewide. If Vendor fails to indicate which County or Counties, it will be assumed that the Vendor's bid is for Statewide.

✓	STATEWIDE			
	Barbour		Kanawha	Pocahontas
	Berkeley		Lewis	Preston
	Boone		Lincoln	Putnam
	Braxton		Logan	Raleigh
	Brooke		McDowell	Randolph
	Cabell		Marion	Ritchie
	Calhoun		Marshall	Roane
	Clay		Mason	Summers
	Doddridge		Mercer	Taylor
	Fayette		Mineral	Tucker
	Gilmer		Mingo	Tyler
	Grant		Monongalia	Upshur
	Greenbrier		Monroe	Wayne
	Hampshire		Morgan	Webster
	Hancock		Nicholas	Wetzel
	Hardy		Ohio	Wirt
	Harrison		Pendleton	Wood
	Jackson		Pleasants	Wyoming
	Jefferson			

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Equipment Description	Equipment Offered for Lease/Rental		Lease/Rental Rate of Equipment Without Delivery/ Without Operator			Equipment Delivery Fee	
	Manufacturer's Name	Model/Serial #	\$ /Day	\$ /Week	\$ /Month	1st Mile	Add. Mi.
<b>STREET SWEEPER - Towable</b> Self-Propelled							
<b>STREET SWEEPER - Truck-Mounted</b> 4.0 C.Y. Minimum hopper capacity Water-spray system for dust control Side/curb brooms and rear/center broom 11,000 lbs up to 33,000 lbs							
<b>TRACTOR BOOM MOWER</b> 110 to 120 hp, class							
<b>TRACTOR WITH BROOM ATTACHMENTS</b> 90 HP							
<b>TRACTOR MOWER</b> With Side and Rear Flail Mower Attachments Included							
<b>TRAILER</b> 6 tons with ramps, minimum 18' length, 8.5' width							
<b>TRAILER - LowBoy</b> 35 - 50 ton - pony motor, self contained hydraulics							
<b>TRAFFIC SIGNALS - PORT</b> 2 Phase Operation D/E	Horizon Signal	SQIII (Solar)	\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$4,800.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 2.50
<b>TRENCH PAVER</b> (Base Widening Machine)							
<b>UNDERBRIDGE PLATFORM</b> Trailer Mtd., Hyd. SP Min. 20 ft. horizontal reach							
<b>UNDERBRIDGE PLATFORM</b> Trailer Mtd., Hyd. SP Min. 30 ft. horizontal reach							
<b>UNDERBRIDGE PLATFORM</b> Trailer Mtd., Hyd. SP Min. 40 ft. horizontal reach							
<b>UNDERBRIDGE PLATFORM</b> Trailer Mtd., Hyd. SP Min. 50 ft. horizontal reach							
<b>UNDERBRIDGE PLATFORM</b> Trailer Mtd., Hyd. SP Min. 60 ft. horizontal reach							



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**Solicitation**

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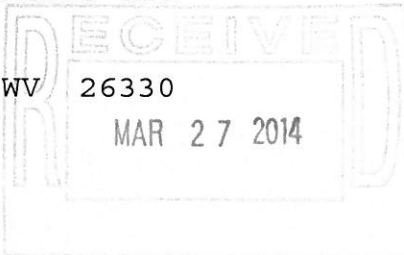
ADDRESS CORRESPONDENCE TO ATTENTION OF:
CRYSTAL RINK 304-558-2402

\*709051236      304-623-3844

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BRIDGEPORT WV 26330



SHIP TO

DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS  
 VARIOUS LOCALES AS INDICATED  
 BY ORDER

DATE PRINTED
03/24/2014

BID OPENING DATE: 04/02/2014

BID OPENING TIME 1:30PM

LINE	QUANTITY	UOP	CAT. NO.	ITEM NUMBER	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
ADDENDUM NO. 01						
THIS ADDENDUM HAS BEEN ISSUED TO MODIFY THE ORIGINAL SOLICITATION PER THE ATTACHED DOCUMENTATION.						
0001	1	EA		964-45		
LEASE OF EQUIPMENT WITH AND WITHOUT OPERATOR						
***** THIS IS THE END OF RFQ 6614C031 ***** TOTAL: _____						

SIGNATURE <i>Paul A. Heath</i>	TELEPHONE (304) 623-3844	DATE 4-1-14
TITLE <i>Proc Mgr.</i>	FEIN 55-0614471	ADDRESS CHANGES TO BE NOTED ABOVE

WHEN RESPONDING TO SOLICITATION, INSERT NAME AND ADDRESS IN SPACE ABOVE LABELED 'VENDOR'



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**SOLICITATION NUMBER:** 6614C031  
**Addendum Number:** 1

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The purpose of this addendum is to modify the solicitation identified as (“Solicitation”) to reflect the change(s) identified and described below.

**Applicable Addendum Category:**

- | Modify bid opening date and time
- | Modify specifications of product or service being sought
- | Attachment of vendor questions and responses
- | Attachment of pre-bid sign-in sheet
- | Correction of error
- | Other

**Description of Modification to Solicitation:**

To provide the answers to vendor questions

**Additional Documentation:** Documentation related to this Addendum (if any) has been included herewith as Attachment A and is specifically incorporated herein by reference.

**Terms and Conditions:**

1. All provisions of the Solicitation and other addenda not modified herein shall remain in full force and effect.
2. Vendor should acknowledge receipt of all addenda issued for this Solicitation by completing an Addendum Acknowledgment, 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.

ATTACHMENT A

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RFQ#6614C031 Addendum #1

To answer Vendor posed questions.

Question #1 We would not be providing any operators with the equipment being rented. We would only be able to provide the bare rental of the equipment without operators. Are we still required to obtain a License?

Response #1 Yes.

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**ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM**  
**SOLICITATION NO.: 6614C031**

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**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:**

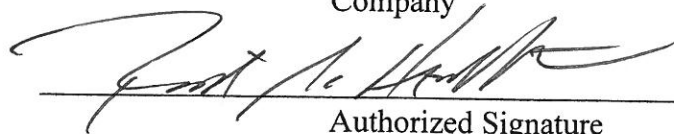
(Check the box next to each addendum received)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 6  |
| <input 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

3-27-14

Date

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

Revised 6/8/2012

VENDOR PREFERENCE CERTIFICATE

Certification and application\* is hereby made for Preference in accordance with West Virginia Code, §5A-3-37. (Does not apply to construction contracts). West Virginia Code, §5A-3-37, provides an opportunity for qualifying vendors to request (at the time of bid) preference for their residency status. Such preference is an evaluation method only and will be applied only to the cost bid in accordance with the West Virginia Code. This certificate for application is to be used to request such preference. The Purchasing Division will make the determination of the Resident Vendor Preference, if applicable.

1. Application is made for 2.5% resident vendor preference for the reason checked: Bidder is an individual resident vendor and has resided continuously in West Virginia for four (4) years immediately preceding the date of this certification; or, Bidder is a partnership, association or corporation resident vendor and has maintained its headquarters or principal place of business continuously in West Virginia for four (4) years immediately preceding the date of this certification; or 80% of the ownership interest of Bidder is held by another individual, partnership, association or corporation resident vendor who has maintained its headquarters or principal place of business continuously in West Virginia for four (4) years immediately preceding the date of this certification; or, Bidder is a nonresident vendor which has an affiliate or subsidiary which employs a minimum of one hundred state residents and which has maintained its headquarters or principal place of business within West Virginia continuously for the four (4) years immediately preceding the date of this certification; or,

2. Application is made for 2.5% resident vendor preference for the reason checked: Bidder is a resident vendor who certifies that, during the life of the contract, on average at least 75% of the employees working on the project being bid are residents of West Virginia who have resided in the state continuously for the two years immediately preceding submission of this bid; or,

3. Application is made for 2.5% resident vendor preference for the reason checked: Bidder is a nonresident vendor employing a minimum of one hundred state residents or is a nonresident vendor with an affiliate or subsidiary which maintains its headquarters or principal place of business within West Virginia employing a minimum of one hundred state residents who certifies that, during the life of the contract, on average at least 75% of the employees or Bidder's affiliate's or subsidiary's employees are residents of West Virginia who have resided in the state continuously for the two years immediately preceding submission of this bid; or,

4. Application is made for 5% resident vendor preference for the reason checked: Bidder meets either the requirement of both subdivisions (1) and (2) or subdivision (1) and (3) as stated above; or,

5. Application is made for 3.5% resident vendor preference who is a veteran for the reason checked: Bidder is an individual resident vendor who is a veteran of the United States armed forces, the reserves or the National Guard and has resided in West Virginia continuously for the four years immediately preceding the date on which the bid is submitted; or,

6. Application is made for 3.5% resident vendor preference who is a veteran for the reason checked: Bidder is a resident vendor who is a veteran of the United States armed forces, the reserves or the National Guard, if, for purposes of producing or distributing the commodities or completing the project which is the subject of the vendor's bid and continuously over the entire term of the project, on average at least seventy-five percent of the vendor's employees are residents of West Virginia who have resided in the state continuously for the two immediately preceding years.

7. Application is made for preference as a non-resident small, women- and minority-owned business, in accordance with West Virginia Code §5A-3-59 and West Virginia Code of State Rules. Bidder has been or expects to be approved prior to contract award by the Purchasing Division as a certified small, women- and minority-owned business.

Bidder understands if the Secretary of Revenue determines that a Bidder receiving preference has failed to continue to meet the requirements for such preference, the Secretary may order the Director of Purchasing to: (a) reject the bid; or (b) assess a penalty against such Bidder in an amount not to exceed 5% of the bid amount and that such penalty will be paid to the contracting agency or deducted from any unpaid balance on the contract or purchase order.

By submission of this certificate, Bidder agrees to disclose any reasonably requested information to the Purchasing Division and authorizes the Department of Revenue to disclose to the Director of Purchasing appropriate information verifying that Bidder has paid the required business taxes, provided that such information does not contain the amounts of taxes paid nor any other information deemed by the Tax Commissioner to be confidential.

Under penalty of law for false swearing (West Virginia Code, §61-5-3), Bidder hereby certifies that this certificate is true and accurate in all respects; and that if a contract is issued to Bidder and if anything contained within this certificate changes during the term of the contract, Bidder will notify the Purchasing Division in writing immediately.

Bidder: Specialty Groups, Inc.

Signed: [Signature]

Date: 4-1-14

Title: Project Manager



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 exceeds 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: 4-1-14

State of West Virginia

County of Harrison, to-wit:

Taken, subscribed, and sworn to before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2014.

My Commission expires Nov. 15, 2022.

**AFFIX SEAL HERE**

NOTARY PUBLIC Courtney N Fleming  
*Purchasing Affidavit (Revised 07/01/2012)*



**NOTE:**  
Vendor and Notary's date must be the same.  
Notary required to AFFIX SEAL on Purchasing Affidavit