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GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ) AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

- 1. Awards will be made in the best interest of the State of West Virginia.
- 2. The State may accept or reject in part, or in whole, any bid.
- 3. All quotations are governed by the West Virginia Code and the Legislative Rules of the Purchasing Division.
- 4. Prior to any award, the apparent successful vendor must be properly registered with the Purchasing Division and have paid the required \$125.00 registration fee.
- 5. All services performed or goods delivered under State Purchase Orders/Contracts are to be continued for the term of the Purchase Order/Contract, contingent upon funds being appropriated by the Legislature or otherwise being made available. In the event funds are not appropriated or otherwise available for these services or goods, this Purchase Order/Contract becomes void and of no effect after June 30.
- 6. Payment may only be made after the delivery and acceptance of goods or services.
- 7. Interest may be paid for late payment in accordance with the West Virginia Code.
- 8. Vendor preference will be granted upon written request in accordance with the West Virginia Code.
- 9. The State of West Virginia is exempt from federal and state taxes and will not pay or reimburse such taxes.
- 10. The Director of Purchasing may cancel any Purchase Order/Contract upon 30 days written notice to the seller.
- 11. The laws of the State of West Virginia and the *Legislative Rules* of the Purchasing Division shall govern all rights and duties under the Contract, including without limitation the validity of this Purchase Order/Contract.
- 12. Any reference to automatic renewal is hereby deleted. The Contract may be renewed only upon mutual written agreement of the parties.
- **13. BANKRUPTCY:** In the event the vendor/contractor files for bankruptcy protection, this Contract may be deemed null and void, and terminated without further order.
- 14. HIPAA Business Associate Addendum The West Viginia State Government HIPAA Business Associate Addendum (BAA), approved by the Attorney General, and available online at the Purchasing Division's web site (http://www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/vrc/hipaa.htm) is hereby made part of the agreement. Provided that, the Agency meets the definition of a Covered Entity (45 CFR §160.103) and will be disclosing Protected Health Information (45 CFR §160.103) to the vendor.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

- 1. Use the quotation forms provided by the Purchasing Division.
- 2. SPECIFICATIONS: Items offered must be in compliance with the specifications. Any deviation from the specifications must be clearly indicated by the bidder. Alternates offered by the bidder as EQUAL to the specifications must be clearly defined. A bidder offering an alternate should attach complete specifications and literature to the bid. The Purchasing Division may waive minor deviations to specifications.
- 3. Complete all sections of the quotation form.
- 4. Unit prices shall prevail in cases of discrepancy.
- 5. All quotations are considered F.O.B. destination unless alternate shipping terms are clearly identified in the quotation.
- 6. BID SUBMISSION: All quotations must be delivered by the bidder to the office listed below prior to the date and time of the bid opening. Failure of the bidder to deliver the quotations on time will result in bid disqualifications.

SIGNED BID TO:

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REQUEST FOR QUOTATIONS

West Virginia Public Employees Insurance Agency (PEIA)
Printing/Mailing Services
Requisition # PEI080011
December 18, 2007

Part 1 GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 Purpose:

The Acquisition and Contract Administration Section of the Purchasing Division "State" on behalf of the West Virginia Public Employees Insurance Agency (PEIA) is soliciting quotations from qualified vendors to provide printing and mailing services.

1.2 Project:

The mission or purpose of the project is to provide printing and mailing services for the publications listed on page 6 of this Request for Quotations.

1.3 **RFQ Format:**

This RFQ has 3 parts. "Part 1" contains informational sections, "Part 2" describes the background and working environment of the project, "Part 3" is a statement of the specifications for the services requested pursuant to this RFQ, contractual requirements, and general terms/conditions.

1.4 Vendor Registration:

Vendors doing business with the State of West Virginia are required to register with the Purchasing Division annually. Vendors are not required to be a registered vendor in order to submit a quotation, but the successful bidder must register and pay the annual fee of \$125 prior to the award of an actual purchase order/contract.

1.5 Oral Statements and Commitments:

Vendor must clearly understand that any verbal representations made or assumed to be made during any oral discussions held between Vendor's representatives and any State personnel are **not** binding. Only the information issued in writing and added to the Request for Quotation specifications file by an official written addendum are binding.

1.6 Quotation Submission:

Vendors mailing quotations should allow sufficient time for mail delivery to ensure timely arrival. The Purchasing cannot waive or excuse late receipt of a quotation which is delayed and late for any reason according State Code §5A-3-11. Any quotation received after the bid opening date and time will be immediately disqualified in accordance with State law and the administrative rules and regulations.

Submit:

One original quotation

Purchasing Division 2019 Washington Street, East P.O. Box 50130 Charleston, WV 25305-0130

The outside of the envelope or package(s) should be clearly marked:

Buyer: Krista Ferrell-File 21

Req#: PEI080011

Opening Date: 02/12/2008 Opening Time: 1:30 P.M.

1.7 Rejection of Quotations:

The State reserves the right to accept or reject any or all quotations, in part or in whole at its discretion. The State reserves the right to withdraw this RFQ at any time and for any reason. Submission of, or receipt by the State of quotations confers no rights upon the bidder and does not obligate the State in any manner.

A contract based on this RFQ and the Vendor's quotation, may or may not be awarded at the discretion of the State. Any contract resulting in an award from this RFQ is not valid until properly approved and executed by the Purchasing Division and approved as to form by the Attorney General's Office.

1.8 Incurring Costs:

The State and its employees or officers shall not be held liable for any expenses incurred by any bidder responding to this RFQ for preparation or delivery of the quotation, or for costs related to attendance at any mandatory pre-bid meeting or oral presentation.

1.9 Addenda:

If it becomes necessary to revise any part of this RFQ, an official written addendum will be issued by the State to all bidders of record.

1.10 Independent Price Determination:

A quotation will not be considered for award if the price in the quotation was not arrived at independently without collusion, consultation, communication, or agreement as to any matter relating to prices with any competitor unless the quotation is submitted as a joint venture.

1.11 Contract Term and Price Adjustments:

The price(s) quoted in the bidder's quotation will be considered firm for the life of the contract, which will be for one year; a price increase commensurate with the consumer price index (CPI) may be considered at the time of renewal.

1.11.1 Term of Contract & Renewals:

This contract will be effective (date set upon award) and shall extend for the period of

one (1) year, at which time the contract may, upon mutual consent be renewed. Such renewals are for a period of one (1) year with two (2) one year renewals, or until such reasonable time thereafter as is necessary to obtain a new contract. The "reasonable time" period shall not exceed twelve (12) months.

1.11.2 Contract Termination:

The State may terminate any contract resulting from this RFQ upon thirty (30) days prior written notice should the Vendor fail to carry out its responsibilities or to make substantial progress under the terms of this RFQ and resulting contract. The State shall provide the Vendor with advance notice of performance conditions which are endangering the contract's continuation. If after such notice the Vendor fails to remedy the conditions contained in the notice, within the time period contained in the notice, the State shall issue the Vendor an order to cease and desist any and all work immediately. The State shall be obligated only for services rendered and accepted prior to the date of the notice of termination.

1.12 Schedule of Events:

Release of the RFQ

01/18/2008

Vendor's Written Questions Submission Deadline 01/31/2008

Bid Opening Date:

02/12/2008

**Vendor must be able to begin work on 02/19/2008

1.13 Purchasing Affidavit:

West Virginia State Code §5A-3-10a(3)(d) requires that all bidders submit an affidavit regarding any debt owed to the State. The affidavit must be signed and submitted prior to award. It is preferred that the affidavit be submitted with the quotation.

1.14 Liquidated Damages:

According to West Virginia State Code §5A-3-4(8), Vendor agrees that liquidated damages shall be imposed at the rate of \$1,000 per business day for failure to meet specified deadlines. This clause shall in no way be considered exclusive and shall not limit the State or Agency's right to pursue to any other additional remedy to which the State or Agency may have legal cause for action including further damages against the Vendor.

1.15 Evaluation Process:

The Vendor who meets all the mandatory specifications and quotes the lowest cost shall be awarded the contract.

Vendor's failure to provide complete and accurate information may be considered grounds for disqualification. The State reserves the right, if necessary, to ask vendors for additional information to clarify their quotations. Nothing may be added to alter the written solution or method contained in the original quotation after the bid opening.

PART 2 OPERATING ENVIRONMENT

2.1 Location:

The contract resulting from this RFQ will be administered by the West Virginia Public Employees Insurance Agency, Department of Administration, State Capitol Complex, Building 5, Room 1001, Charleston, West Virginia 25305-0710.

2.2 Background:

PEIA is the State agency that provides group health and life insurance for state, county and municipal employees. PEIA provides coverage for more than 200,000 West Virginians.

By state law, West Virginia Correctional Industries has the right of first refusal on any printing services required by PEIA. West Virginia Correctional Industries has issued a waiver for the printing services listed below under "Scope of Work."

PART 3 PROCUREMENT SPECIFICATIONS

- 3.1 **Mandatory Requirements:** the vendor shall meet the following minimum qualifications:
 - 1) Have a minimum of five (5) years of experience in high volume printing and mailing as its primary line of business, and be able to demonstrate such experience;
 - 2) Possess printing presses, binding equipment and staffing capable of producing the documents detailed below within the timeframes specified, and be able to demonstrate that;
 - 3) Have experience producing the specific types of materials detailed in **3.2 Scope of Work**, and provide samples of such work produced within the last two years;
 - 4) Possess enclosing, tabbing, and bar-coding equipment to process mailings for greatest possible postage discounts in accordance with USPS regulations, and be able to demonstrate that.
 - 5) Have experience in successfully producing high-volume individualized, bar-coded forms as detailed in Scope of Work, and provide samples of such work produced within the last two years.

3.2 Scope of Work:

The successful vendor will produce and deliver the following publications within the timeframes noted on the chart below:

Job Name	Estimated Volume	Specifications	Time allotted for completion	Frequency
PEIA Shopper's Guide		11 x 8.5" white 50# offset or equivalent paper, 36 pages plus covers, two-color cover, two Pantone colors inside, some black and white photos, saddle-stitched on the 11" side of the page. Also responsible for preparing mailing at lowest possible postage cost on PEIA's mailing permit, and delivering to the post office in Charleston.	Three weeks from receipt of Copy	once each year
PEIA Summary Plan Description	103,000	8.5 x 11" white 50# offset or equivalent paper, 84 pages plus covers on cover stock, two-color cover, interior two colors (black plus one), some black and white photos, saddle-stitched. Also responsible for preparing mailing at lowest possible postage cost on PEIA's mailing permit, and delivering to the post office in Charleston:	five weeks from receipt of copy	once each year
Medicare Retiree Booklet	32,000	5.5 x 8.52 white 50# offset or equivalent paper, 32 pages plus covers on cover stock; two-color cover, interior two colors (black plus one), some black and white photos, saddle-stitched. Also responsible for preparing mailing at lowest possible postage cost on PEIA's mailing permit, and delivering to the post office in Charleston.	Two weeks from receipt of copy	Once each year

^{*} Quantities or volumes are estimates. Actual quantities to be printed will be based upon the state's needs at the time of order.

Each job requires two proofs. Price should take into account the need for changes between the first proof and the final one.

For mailings that consist solely of applying an address to a mail piece, the vendor will provide a sample of ten completed, addressed documents prior to mailing. PEIA staff must review and approve the completed mail pieces prior to release of the job to the post office.

For all mailings, the vendor must supply the postage paperwork (form 3602s) with the invoice to assure payment. Invoices presented without postage paperwork will be held until the postage paperwork is received. Invoices cannot be paid without 3602s.

At the completion of each job, the vendor will supply a copy of the final document in .PDF format.

Cost Quotation for PEIA Printing Jobs

Job Name	Estimated Volume* (for evaluation purposes only)	Specifications	Frequency	Price Per Thousand copies	Total
PEIA Shopper's Guide	110,000	11 x 8.5" white 50# offset or equivalent paper, 32 pages plus covers, two-color cover; two Pantone colors inside, some black and white photos, saddle-stitched on the 11" side of the page. Also responsible for preparing mailing at lowest possible postage cost on PEIA's mailing permit, and delivering to the post office in Charleston.	once each year	·	
PEIA Summary Plan Description	135,000	8.5 x 11" white 50# offset or equivalent paper, 84 pages plus covers on cover stock, two-color cover, interior two colors (black plus one), some black and white photos, saddle-stitched. Also responsible for preparing mailing at lowest possible postage cost on PEIA's mailing permit, and delivering to the post office in Charleston.	once each year		
Medicare Retiree Booklet	32,000	5.5 x 8.5" white 50# offset or equivalent paper, 32 pages plus covers on cover stock, two-color cover, interior two colors (black plus one), some black and white photos, saddle-stitched. Also responsible for preparing mailing at lowest possible postage cost on PEIA's mailing permit, and delivering to the post office in Charleston.	once each year		
Grand Total					

^{*} Quantities or volumes are estimates. Actual quantities to be printed will be based upon the state's needs at the time of order.

Signature:		
Representing:	Date:	

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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA Purchasing Division

PURCHASING AFFIDAVIT

West Virginia Code §5A-3-10a states: 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 the debt owed is an amount greater than one thousand dollars in the aggregate

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.

"Debtor" means any individual, corporation, partnership, association, limited liability company or any other form or business association owing a debt to the state or any of its political subdivisions. "Political subdivision" means any county commission; municipality; county board of education; any instrumentality established by a county or municipality; any separate corporation or instrumentality established by one or more counties or municipalities, as permitted by law; or any public body charged by law with the performance of a government function or whose jurisdiction is coextensive with one or more counties or municipalities. "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.

EXCEPTION: The prohibition of this section does not apply where a vendor has contested any tax administered pursuant to chapter eleven of this 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.

LICENSING: Vendors 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 agencies or political subdivision. Furthermore, the vendor must provide all necessary releases to obtain information to enable the Director or spending unit to verify that the vendor is licensed and in good standing with the above entities.

CONFIDENTIALITY: The vendor agrees that he or she 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. Vendors should visit **www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/privacy** for the Notice of Agency Confidentiality Policies.

Under penalty of law for false swearing (West Virginia Code, §61-5-3), it is hereby certified that the vendor acknowledges the information in this said affidavit and are in compliance with the requirements as stated.

Vendor's Name:	
Authorized Signature:	Date:

Purchasing Affidavit (Revised 06/15/07)