

**THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA
CEDAR FALLS, IA**

Request For Proposal Q8653

Clothing, Logo, and Gift Merchandise

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Section I
Proposal Instructions and Conditions

1.1 General

The University of Northern Iowa (also referred to as “University” or “UNI”) is interested in acquiring the services of a reputable person or firm with a demonstrated ability to provide services in an efficient, professional manner, complying with State and Federal regulations and UNI policies. The individual or firm will provide logo/gift/clothing merchandise on consignment to Essentials store located in the Muacker Union on the University of Northern Iowa Campus.

1.2 Description of the University of Northern Iowa

The University of Northern Iowa, located in Cedar Falls, Iowa was founded in 1876. Today, the campus covers 915 acres and consists of six colleges: Business Administration, Education, Humanities and Fine Arts, Natural Sciences, Social and Behavioral Sciences, and Graduate College. Approximately 12,600 undergraduate and graduate students are currently enrolled. The University employs approximately 3,100 faculty and staff, and 4,700 student employees on an annual basis.

1.3 University Representative

All questions and comments in reference to this Request for Proposal must be directed to:

Molly Rickert
Purchasing Agent
103 Gilchrist Hall
University of Northern Iowa
Cedar Falls, Iowa 50614-0008
Telephone (319)273-6448
molly.rickert@uni.edu

1.4 Each Vendor, by submitting a proposal, acknowledges its representatives have:

1.4.1 Read and completely understood the proposed Contract Documents contained in this RFP. The Contract Documents shall consist of this RFP (Proposal Instructions and Conditions, Terms and Conditions of the Contract, Scope of Work, Proposal Content, Form of Proposal, and all attachments); any subsequent Addenda issued by UNI, Bidders response to this RFP, and any contractual agreement that may result from this RFP.

1.4.2 Based their proposal upon the requirements described in the proposed Contract Documents.

1.5 Receipt and Opening of Proposals

1.5.1 Proposals are to be submitted in an envelope, box, or package labeled “RFP Q8653: Clothing/Logo/Gift Merchandise”. Proposals must be received by Purchasing Services in the Office of Business Operations, 103 Gilchrist Hall, Cedar Falls, Iowa 50614-0008, by 3:00 P.M., CST, on April 7, 2009. Any proposal received after the time specified for the receipt of proposals may not be considered and may be returned unopened to the sender as non-responsive.

One (1) original and one (1) electronic copy of the proposal are to be submitted to Purchasing Services in response to this RFP.

1.5.2 UNI reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals and to waive any irregularities, technicalities, or informalities in proposals if such waiver does not substantially change the offer or provide an unfair competitive advantage to any Company. UNI reserves the right to request additional documents or proposal clarifications after the due date and time for proposal submission.

1.5.3 No proposals submitted by use of oral, telephonic, telegraphic, or facsimile methods, nor any modifications to previously submitted proposals made by any of these methods, will be considered. If a

proposal is sent by mail, Company should make allowance for the time required for such transmission.

1.5.4 Company's legally authorized representative shall sign the proposal. The official name, address, telephone, and fax number and e-mail addresses are to be stated on the proposal form.

1.5.5 No responsibility will be attached to any person for premature opening of a proposal not properly identified.

1.5.6 The laws of the State of Iowa require the contents of all proposals be placed in the public domain and be open to inspection by interested parties. Proposals will be available for public viewing after a contract has been finalized with the awarded Company. Trade secrets or proprietary information that are recognized as such and are protected by law may be withheld, if clearly identified as such in the proposal. Proposals marked entirely confidential or proprietary may be rejected. Pricing information, management fees, financial arrangements, and other offers cannot be considered proprietary information.

Failure to list all proprietary sections of the submitted proposal in the space provided on the Form of Proposal, shall relieve UNI personnel from any responsibility, should such information be viewed by the public, a competitor, or be in any way released.

1.5.7 All opened proposals become the property of UNI and will not be returned to the proposer.

1.6 Prerogatives of the University

This solicitation does not commit the University to award a contract or to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a proposal and submission of proposals, costs incurred in making necessary studies for the preparation of proposals, or any travel or personnel expenses associated with trips to UNI. The University reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals received; to negotiate with any qualified respondent or respondents; or to cancel, in part or in its entirety, this RFP.

1.7 Addenda

Any and all interpretations, corrections, revisions, and amendments shall be issued by UNI Purchasing Services to all known holders of proposed Contract Documents in the form of written addenda. Except for addenda modifying the proposal due date or canceling the Request for Proposal, such addenda shall be issued so as to be received at least three (3) days prior to the time set for receipt of proposals. All addenda so issued shall become part of the Contract Documents and shall be acknowledged in the Form of Proposal.

1.8 Qualification of Company

1.8.1 UNI shall make such investigations as deemed necessary to determine the ability of Company to provide the expected services.

1.8.2 UNI reserves the right to reject any proposal if the evidence submitted by, or investigation of, such Company fails to satisfy UNI that said Company is properly qualified to carry out the obligations specified herein.

1.8.3 UNI reserves the right to award based on the proposal(s) determined to be in its best interest.

1.9 Exceptions to Contract Documents

Company shall clearly state in the submitted proposal any exceptions to, or deviations from, the Scope of Work of Section III, and any exceptions to the provisions, terms, and conditions of this RFP included in Section I and Terms and Conditions of the Contract in Section II. Such exceptions or deviations will be considered in evaluating the proposals. Any exceptions should be noted on Attachment A and returned with the submitted proposal. Companies are cautioned that exceptions taken to this RFP may cause their proposal to be rejected at the sole discretion of UNI. Exceptions not stated on Attachment A will have no effect.

1.10 Preference Laws

UNI will give preference to purchasing from Iowa based businesses if the proposals submitted are comparable in pricing and their ability to meet all other evaluation criteria, when compared with proposals submitted by other Companies. Whenever there is a tie bid, an Iowa firm will receive preference.

1.11 Gratuities

The laws of the State of Iowa provide that it is a criminal offense to offer, promise, or give anything of value or benefit to a state employee with the intent to influence that employee's acts, opinion, judgment or exercise of discretion with respect to that employee's duties.

1.12 Proposal Evaluation

The Evaluation Criteria utilized for this Request for Proposal will be based upon, but not limited to, the following criteria which are listed in no particular order:

- Relevant experience, qualifications and success in providing the services outlined herein.
- Evidence of ability to provide creative and innovative promotions.
- Responsiveness to proposal requirements
- References
- Financial Stability of Company, as well as Company's overall track record and reputation in providing desired services.
- Exceptions to this RFP.

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Section II
Terms and Conditions of the Contract

The following terms and conditions will apply to any contractual agreement awarded as a result of this RFP.

2.0 Terms

2.0.1 The University The University is the University of Northern Iowa. The term University means the University or the University's authorized representative. The University may be referred to as "University" or "UNI".

2.0.2 The Company -The Company is the person or organization to which the University will issue a contractual agreement, when/if award of this Request for Proposal is made. The term Company means the Company or the Company's authorized representative.

2.0.3 The Work The Work comprises the services and expenses required by the Contract Documents to carry out the contract.

2.0.4 The Agreement The Agreement refers to the contractual agreement between UNI and the awarded Company, detailed in the contract documents and signed by both parties, and incorporating the RFP and Company's response by reference. The agreement may be referred to as "Contract" or "Agreement".

2.0.5 Contract Documents The Contract Documents shall consist of this RFP (Proposal Instructions and Conditions, Terms and Conditions of the Contract, Scope of Work, Proposal Content, Form of Proposal, and all attachments), any subsequent Addenda Issued by UNI, Bidders response to this RFP, and any contractual agreement that results from this RFP.

2.1 Non-appropriation of Funds

Notwithstanding other provisions of any award resulting from this RFP, if funds anticipated for the fulfillment of this agreement are at any time not forthcoming or insufficient, either through the failure of the Iowa Legislature or the federal government to provide funds or the program under which funds were provided is altered, then UNI shall have the right to terminate this agreement without penalty by giving not less than thirty (30) days written notice documenting the lack of funding or program change.

2.2 Immunity from Liability

Every person who is a party to this Agreement is hereby notified and agrees that UNI, and its agents, successors, and assigns are immune from liability and suit for or from Company's activities involving third parties and arising from this Agreement.

2.3 Indemnification

2.3.1 To the fullest extent permitted by law, Company shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless UNI, its agents, successors, and assigns, the Board of Regents, State of Iowa, and the State of Iowa from and against all claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including but not limited to attorneys' fees, arising out of or resulting from the performance and compliance with the terms and obligations of the Agreement, provided that any such claim, damage, loss, or expense (1) is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease, or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property, including the loss of use resulting there from, and (2) is caused in whole or in part by any negligent act or omission of Company, its subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, regardless of whether or not is caused in part by a party indemnified hereunder. Such obligation shall not be construed to negate, abridge, or otherwise reduce any other right or obligation of indemnity which would otherwise exist as to any party or person.

2.3.2 In any and all claims against UNI, its agents, successors, and assigns, the Board of Regents, State of Iowa, and the State of Iowa by any employee of Company, and subcontractors, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, the indemnification obligation shall not be limited in any way by any definition or boundary on the amount or

type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for Company or any subcontractor under workers' compensation acts, disability benefit acts or other employee benefit acts.

2.4 Code of Fair Practice

The Company shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, veteran status, or any other basis where protected by law, except where it relates to a bona fide occupational qualification. In the event of the Company's noncompliance with this clause or with any related federal or state regulations, this contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the Company may be declared ineligible for further contracts with the Board of Regents, State of Iowa.

2.5 Subcontractors

Company is specifically advised that any person, firm, or other party to whom it is proposed to award a subcontract under this Agreement must be approved in advance, in writing, and be acceptable to UNI. The Company is responsible for all acts of its subcontractors, as well as, the subcontractors' performance of delegated duties. Company shall be solely responsible for payment to all subcontractors or secondary suppliers that the Company may engage for the completion of any contractual agreement with UNI.

2.6 Insurance

Company shall purchase and maintain, throughout the term of this Agreement, comprehensive general liability insurance, including contractual liability, slip and fall coverage and comprehensive automobile liability insurance to protect Company from all claims for bodily injury, including accidental death, personal injury, and property damage arising from operations under this Agreement, whether such operations be by Company, subcontractor, agent, or by anyone else directly or indirectly employed by Company. In addition, Company shall purchase and maintain errors and omissions insurance to protect UNI from any losses associated with Company's acts. All statutory insurance requirements, including worker's compensation, shall be met. All required insurance policies shall be issued by reputable insurance companies duly authorized to engage in the insurance business in the State of Iowa. Limits of such insurance shall be as stated below:

Worker's Compensation Statutory

Comprehensive General Liability \$1,000,000 each occurrence* w/medical payments \$10,000

Commercial Auto Liability \$1,000,000 each occurrence*

*\$2 Million aggregate

Company shall purchase and maintain Medical Professional Liability Insurance with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per person and \$1,000,000 aggregate basis. Company must provide proof of coverage to the University through written certification from the insurance carrier.

The State of Iowa, the University of Northern Iowa, and the Board of Regents, State of Iowa, shall be named on such policies as additional insureds. Failure to maintain insurance coverage throughout the life of any resulting contract, consistent with the provisions of this Section, shall be considered a breach of contract. As evidence of the above, the Company will submit certificates of insurance on an annual basis. The certificates shall also provide that should the policy be cancelled or materially changed, thirty (30) day written notice prior to the effective date for the change or cancellation shall be given directly to UNI.

Company agrees to waive all rights of subrogation against UNI, the State of Iowa, the Board of Regents, State of Iowa, the Regent institutions, their employees and agents for any claim filed against Company or other firms associated with the Agreement.

2.7 Amendments to the Agreement

When awarded, the Agreement shall not be changed, modified, altered, or amended in any respect without the mutual consent of the parties hereto, which consent shall be evidenced by a written amendment to the Agreement executed by both parties.

2.8 Laws

Terms and provisions of this Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Iowa, and any and all litigation or actions commenced in connection with this Agreement shall be instituted in the appropriate courts in the State of Iowa.

2.9 Assignment

The award of this RFP may not be assigned, transferred, sold or subcontracted by Company without the prior written consent of UNI. Should selected Company be purchased (in whole or in part) by another organization or should Company wish to assign, transfer, or subcontract the Agreement to another Company, UNI shall have the right to terminate the Agreement upon written notification, without penalty to UNI.

2.10 Advertising

Company shall not use or reference the name of University of Northern Iowa as a part of any commercial advertising without prior written approval of UNI's central administration and its Trademark and Licensing Office.

2.11 Taxes

UNI is exempt from State and Local Sales and Use Taxes on the services. A Tax Exemption Certificate will be furnished upon request.

2.12 Access to Company Records/Audits

The Company agrees to keep and provide full access to all records that pertain to UNI throughout the period that the Agreement remains in effect and for a minimum of seven (7) years after the Agreement is terminated, unless required to retain for a longer period by state or federal statute.

2.13 Termination

2.13.1 If Company is adjudged bankrupt or makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, if a receiver is appointed on account of Company's insolvency, if Company repeatedly refuses or fails to supply enough employees, management staff, or equipment to adequately provide timely delivery or services for UNI, or if Company is otherwise guilty of a substantial violation of the Contract Documents, UNI may terminate the Agreement after giving Company a minimum thirty (30) days written notice, without penalty to UNI.

2.13.2 In any case where Company has failed to provide equipment and services or has provided nonconforming equipment and services, UNI shall provide a Cure Notice. If after notice Company continues to be in default, UNI may procure services from another source and terminate the Agreement, without penalty to UNI. Company may be required to pay UNI the difference if a higher cost firm is selected.

2.14 Severability of the Agreement

In the event any one or more of the provisions contained herein shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision, but shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal, or unenforceable provision had never been contained. Further, in the event that any provision shall be held to be unenforceable by virtue of its scope, but may be made enforceable by a limitation thereof, such provision shall be deemed to be amended to the minimum extent necessary to render it enforceable under the laws of the jurisdiction in which enforcement is sought.

2.15 Miscellaneous-

2.15.1 Company warrants and guarantees to University that it and all merchandise to be sold is in compliance with Sections 5 and 12 of the Federal Trade Commission Act; the Fair Packaging and Labeling Act; the Federal Food and Drug Cosmetic Act; the Consumer Product Safety Act; the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act; the Federal hazards and Substance Act; the Fair Labor Standards Act; the Wool Products Labeling Act; the Flammable Fabrics Act; the Occupational Safety and Health Act; and the Federal Anti-Kickback Enforcement Act, and any other applicable laws.

2.15.2 Company warrants that all licensed products and all promotional, advertising and packaging material will be of good quality in design, material and workmanship and will be suitable for the intended purpose; that no injurious, harmful or toxic substances will be used in or on licensed products; that licensed products will not cause harm when used as instructed and with ordinary care for the Intended purpose; and that licensed products will be manufactured, sold and distributed in strict compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.

2.15.3 Unless otherwise agreed to in writing by University, Company will not use name of University in it's advertising, nor sell or distribute licensed products bearing University licensed marks as premiums, nor in any connection whatsoever with lotteries, games of chance, firearms, tobacco or alcoholic beverage promotions.

2.15.4 University reserves the right to negotiate with Company during agreement period for sale of special situations or unique merchandise to be provided by Essentials, the Maucker Union, or others.

2.15.5 University reserves the right to periodically purchase and sell items from another vendor for special events. Occasions may include but are not limited to events surrounding housing, student group, and organizational activities.

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Section III
Scope of Work

3.1 The University of Northern Iowa is soliciting proposals from qualified companies to provide consigned UNI logo/gift items, as well as clothing, to Essentials store located in Maucker Union.

3.1.1 Objectives:

- Provide a superior merchandise shopping experience for UNI students, employees, and guests.
- Maximize merchandise revenue
- Promote UNI brand through merchandise.

3.2 Initial Qualifications-

3.2.1 Company must have been in the business of providing and supporting similar services for at least two years.

3.2.2 Company is responsible for all federal, state and local licenses, permits and taxes required for consignment operations on University premises. Company must comply with all existing city, county, state and federal regulations and laws relative to consignment operations as well as any additions or changes to those provisions during term of agreement.

3.3 Term- The term of agreement will be for three consecutive fiscal years, July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012, with the option to renew for two additional one-year terms through June 30, 2014.

3.4 Maucker Union/Essentials Point of Sale-

3.4.1 The Maucker Union was completed in 1969 and is located within the academic center of the UNI campus. A major addition to the building was completed in 1990. The most recent renovation was completed in 2004. Maucker Union offers a variety of programs and services to the University community and campus guests. As a department within the Division of Student Affairs the unit operates under a mission statement which reads "Maucker Union promotes a student centered community by emphasizing service, facilitating a free exchange of ideas and encouraging staff, faculty and student interaction. We value the whole life development of students by offering formal and informal educational opportunities and strive for an ethnically diverse, culturally rich environment."

3.4.2 Maucker Union provides meeting rooms and event space of various sizes. A large multipurpose meeting room and kitchen area supports major events, meetings, conferences, banquets, etc. Catering and dining services are provided by the Department of Residence. The design of the general gathering space, referred to as "the coffee house" facilitates programming, student interaction, informal meetings, studying, dining space and an area for general relaxation. The facility hosts student group meetings, conferences, workshops, and departmental group meetings on a regular basis.

3.4.3 The Maucker Union hosts several groups, organizations, and other operations. These include the Northern Iowa Student Government, student radio, the Northern Iowa newspaper, HealthBeat, Veridian Credit Union, and Essentials.

3.4.4 Essentials is located on the ground floor of the Maucker Union. Hours of operations are: Academic Year- Monday through Thursday 7:30 AM to 10:00 PM; Friday 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM; Closed Saturday, except for special occasions such as Homecoming and Family Weekend; Sunday 4:00 PM to 10:00 PM. The store will be closed during University holiday breaks and have reduced hours of operations during the summer session. Summer hours are typically from 7:30 AM to 3:00 PM Monday through Friday with extended hours during Orientation.

3.4.5 Each bidder is encouraged to visit and assess Essentials in the Maucker Union prior to submission or proposal. University encourages a written evaluation of same to be included as part of the proposal. There is no intent to limit the content of responses. Bidders are encouraged to include any additional information

deemed appropriate for University to make a decision.

3.5 Consigned Merchandise- Company must provide a variety of merchandise that reflects the current market trend shall be offered and available to the public at all times. Merchandising shall refer to but is not limited to the categories below:

- Soft goods- sweat shirts, t-shirts, hats, blankets, jerseys, ladies wear, etc.
- Hard goods- pens, cups, mugs, signs, toys, key chains, frames, ornaments, window stickers, etc.

3.6 Merchandising Rights- Items included in the product line shall be subject to mutual agreement by University and Company.

3.6.1 Products sold must be from licensed manufacturers and must adhere to the University's licensing program.

3.6.2 All manufacturing companies replying to RFP Q8653 must be registered licensees. Only registered licensees are authorized to design and/or produce merchandise bearing UNI's name and logo.

3.6.3 All companies replying to Q8653 who are not manufacturers utilizing UNI's names and logos and are strictly retailers of merchandise bearing UNI's names and logos are required to purchase all merchandise bearing the UNI name and logos from registered licensees.

3.6.4 All manufacturer's who may utilize subcontractors to produce merchandise bearing UNI's names and logos must subcontract out to only licensed companies. An updated list of approved/licensed vendors and manufactures is available through the University Licensing office, 319-273-3168.

3.6.5 All manufacturing companies replying to the RFP must be registered licensees or state that they will become a license manufacturer.

3.6.6 All merchandise sold with any other logos must be licensed through proper entities.

3.7 Product review- UNI reserves the right to have any and all products being displayed and/or sold in relation to the agreement removed from sale at Company's expense if the product represents a liability or depicts UNI or others in a non-positive appearance or perception. University reserves the right to add or delete any item from the product list during agreement.

3.8 Inventory- Company will at its own expense purchase, maintain, and adequately insure all necessary stock to operate in a business-like manner. Company will be solely responsible for the quality of merchandise to be sold, and shall guarantee top quality.

3.9 Accountability- Essentials agrees to inventory and account for all merchandise sold, and to make written reports to vendor on or before the tenth days of each month, with cash register summary of sales and specifying total gross sales by location during each preceding month. All master Inventories, sales tapes, balance sheets, and deposit reports shall be kept on file in the Essentials Manager's office in Maucker Union.

3.9.1 Shrinkage of inventory due to damage while on University property, including but not limited to fire, vandalism, theft, miscount, etc. will be the responsibility of the University and compensation "at cost" will be made to Company. Company will provide University with an invoice indicating the cost of such items, and the University will pay the said amount to the Company to replace lost items. Catastrophic damage due to fire, vandalism, etc. shall be covered by Company insurance.

3.9.2 Unsold inventory, including seasonal or event specific items, will be returned to Company in a timely manner. Pricing of Items will be determined and agreed upon by University and Company. Sale or special pricing will be determined by University and Company. Commission paid by Company will be on sale price not original retail price.

3.10 Company will provide hangers and price tags for all items.

3.11 Display Signage/Commercial Advertisement- Company will be required to provide own promotional signage for products. All signage displayed will need prior approval by appropriate UNI personnel. UNI reserves the right to reject any signage requested.

3.11.1 Describe how your Company will market/advertise sales. What media will be used and how often?

3.12 Deliveries-

3.12.1 The University will not be responsible for providing parking or a parking permit to selected company. Travel on University premises may be restricted in certain areas. Vendor shall follow all University parking regulations and shall consult with UNI Police if questions arise regarding parking or loading/unloading of items.

3.12.2 All delivered items will be inspected upon delivery at Essentials. Any damaged or defective items will be indicated promptly and the invoice will be adjusted or credit written to reflect any returns or refused product. Company is responsible for removing damaged items within three days from the establishment.

3.13 Promotions- UNI is interested in Company's proposed plan for promotional sales.

3.13.2 Please describe your plans for promotional sales.

3.13.1 State how frequently they might be held, the product mix, and proposed discounts.

3.14 High Volume Sales- Describe how your Company will address high volume sales times, such as tournament times and Christmas.

3.15 Payments- Payment to University shall be made monthly, and shall be due by the tenth of the month following activity; all documentation and supporting paperwork shall be submitted with payment. Any payments due to Company shall be made in accordance with University billing cycle and all documentation and supporting paperwork shall be submitted with the payment

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Proposal Content

As responses to this RFP will be used to select a Company, it is important that responses contain enough information to permit UNI to fully understand the Company's capabilities. Failure to complete or provide any of the Information requested may result in disqualification by reason of "non-responsive". UNI is requesting responses to this RFP that, at a minimum, include the following:

4.1 Form of Proposal

Form of Proposal, page 13, completed and signed by your Company's representative.

4.2 References

Provide a list of at least three references for merchandise services with comparable volume, complexity and service requirements exist. Include names of contacts, telephone numbers, and duration of contract. Provide a short description of the sites along with the date the relationship began. **Attach as Supplement 1.**

4.3 Profile

Provide your Company's merchandising experience. **Attach as Supplement 2.**

4.4 Delivery

Please provide your recommended process and proposed cost of delivering items to Essentials. **Attach as Supplement 3.**

4.5 Financial

Please provide financial and/or other pertinent data from the last three years which shall enable University to determine the financial responsibility of Company. Failure to provide such information shall eliminate the proposal from consideration. University may request additional information or clarification of information of data after receipt of proposals. **Attach as Supplement 4.**

4.6 Point-by-point response to the sections of this RFP (Section III). **Attach as Supplement 5.**

4.7 Attachment A- itemized list of exceptions taken to any and all items in this RFP. The list must reference each exception by paragraph number.

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Section V
Form of Proposal

TO: University of Northern Iowa
Purchasing Services
103 Gilchrist Hall
Cedar Falls, IA 50614-0008

5.1 The undersigned Company, in response to Request for Proposal Number Q8653 having examined the Proposal Requirements, this Form of Proposal, and all of the Contract Documents, hereby proposes to provide consigned goods in accordance with the proposed Contract Documents at the prices shown on the attached sheets. **Bidding companies must complete all parts of this section for their bid to be considered.**

5.2 Company acknowledges receipt of the following Addenda, which are a part of the Contract Documents:

5.3 The sections of this proposal listed below represent trade secrets or proprietary information.

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5.4 Company understands that University of Northern Iowa reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, waive irregularities or technicalities in any proposal, and accept any proposal in whole or in part which it deems to be in its best interest.

Yes _____
No _____

5.5 Company agrees their proposal is an offer to UNI that may not be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) calendar days after the proposal due date.

5.6 Company has provided all parties involved with a copy of the RFP.

Yes _____
No _____

5.7 Company has read, understands, and agrees to all Proposal Instructions and Conditions contained in Section I of this RFP.

Yes _____
No _____

5.8 **Fees** - all costs must be included in the rate listed below.

Option #1

Company proposes to pay University _____% of gross receipts from sales received for the term of Agreement.

Option #2

Company supplies items to University for _____% above Company's cost of merchandise for term of Agreement.

Indicate minimum piece requirement for any order, if any _____

Indicate all set-up fees and conditions, if any _____

Indicate design fees and conditions, if any_____

NOTE: If No, please list exceptions on Attachment A.

- 5.9 Company hereby certifies by signing below: that this proposal is genuine and is not made in the interest of or on behalf of any undisclosed person, firm, or corporation; (b) that Company has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other Company to put in a false or sham proposal; (c) that Company has not solicited or induced any person, firm, or corporation to refrain from bidding; and (d) that Company has not sought by collusion or kickback to obtain any advantage over any other Company or over UNI.
- 5.10 The vendor has not altered or modified the original content of the Request for Proposal document or any associated documents, including original drawings or graphics.
- 5.11 The firm is not currently debarred, suspended, or proposed for debarment by any federal or state entity. The undersigned agrees to notify the University of Northern Iowa of any change in this status, should one occur, until such time as an award has been made under this procurement.

Please complete.

Authorized Signature: _____

Typewritten Signature: _____

Company Name: _____

Official Business Address: _____

Firm's State or Foreign Country of Residence: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Date: _____

Company's representative to contact during normal office hours regarding this proposal:

Telephone number of this representative: _____

E-mail address of this representative: _____

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Exceptions

Please list any and all exceptions to this RFP in this section. Include page number, section and reason for exception. **Additional copies may be made as necessary.**

I hereby certify total compliance with all sections, including all terms, conditions, and policy requirements (specifications) of this Request for Proposal except as expressly stated below.

[illegible]

Signature _____

Name _____

Date _____