

# STATE OF ILLINOIS

## SOLICITATION DOCUMENT

### 100Mb Metro Ethernet – Highland 09-37795

The Department of Central Management Services is requesting Offers (bids / proposals) from responsible Vendors to meet the State's needs. Below is a brief description of our needs with detailed requirements in subsequent sections of this solicitation. If you are interested and able to meet these requirements, please submit an Offer.

We are issuing this solicitation in the following form and you must take that into account when reading and responding:

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| <input checked="checked" type="checkbox"/> | Invitation for Bids                                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/>                   | Request for Proposals                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/>                   | Request for Proposals (Professional and Artistic Services) |

#### Brief Description:

100 Megabit fiber optic Ethernet point to point service for CMS BCCS Regional Technology Office 8 connectivity to the Illinois Century Network. This service will provide data connectivity to the Highland area which is currently underserved in the area of high speed connectivity options.

#### The solicitation package consists of two parts:

**Part A INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING AND EVALUATING BIDS AND PROPOSALS:** Part A consists of the following sections:

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| SECTION 1 | INSTRUCTIONS, DATES, RESERVATIONS AND OTHER GENERAL INFORMATION |
| SECTION 2 | HOW WE WILL EVALUATE OFFERS                                     |
| SECTION 3 | SPECIFICATIONS / QUALIFICATIONS / STATEMENT OF WORK             |

These sections provide information necessary for submitting an Offer (a bid or proposal), set forth the basic legal and policy requirements associated with this solicitation and tell how we will evaluate Offers.

**Part B OFFER RESPONSE FORMS:** Part B consists of the following sections:

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| SECTION 4 | OFFER TO STATE OF ILLINOIS |
| SECTION 5 | RESPONSIBILITY FORMS       |
| SECTION 6 | RESPONSIVENESS             |
| SECTION 7 | PRICE                      |
| SECTION 8 | CONTRACT                   |

Your response to Part B will constitute your Offer to the State and will provide us with information about you, what you will provide, your ability to perform and your price. We will evaluate this information as well as compliance with the Instructions.

In this document the State of Illinois will be referred to as "State", "Agency", "we" or "us". The person submitting an Offer will be referred to as "Vendor", "Contractor" or "You". "We" is used appropriate to the context.

Please read the entire solicitation package and submit your Offer for evaluation in accordance with all instructions.

**NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY** In compliance with the State and Federal Constitutions, the Illinois Human Rights Act, the U.S. Civil Rights Act, and Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act, the State of Illinois does not discriminate in employment, contracts, or any other activity.

## SECTION 1 - INSTRUCTIONS, DATES, RESERVATIONS AND OTHER GENERAL INFORMATION

**1.0 PROJECT CONTACT:** If you have a question or suspect an error, you must immediately notify the Project Contact identified in this section. Do not discuss the solicitation or your Offer, directly or indirectly, with any State officer or employee other than the State Project Contact. Only written answers to questions shall be binding on the State.

Project Contact Name: Tiffany Power  
Agency Central Management Services / ICN  
Address: 401 S. Spring Street  
Springfield, IL 62706  
E-mail: [tiffany.power@illinois.gov](mailto:tiffany.power@illinois.gov)

Phone: 217-557-8250  
Fax: 217-782-5187  
TDD: 217-782-6600

**1.1** VENDOR CONFERENCE / SITE VISIT: ☐ Yes ☒ No

We will provide written responses to questions and only those written responses shall be binding. If attendance is mandatory you will be disqualified if you (incumbents included) do not attend, are not on time, leave early or fail to sign the attendance sheet. You must allow adequate time to accommodate security screenings at the site.

**1.2 OFFER DUE DATE, TIME AND SUBMISSION LOCATION:** Due Date: 10/29/2008 Time: 1:00PM Local time

DELIVER OFFERS TO:  
CMS BOSSAP

LABEL OUTSIDE OF ENVELOPE / CONTAINER:  
100MB Metro Ethernet – Highland 09-37795

Attn: Shirley Webb

October 29, 2008

Rm 405 Stratton Office Building

Vendor name and address

401 South Spring Street

Springfield, IL 62704

We will open Offers at the Due Date, Time and Delivery Location. Prior to the due date, you may mail or hand-deliver Offers, modifications, and withdrawals. We do not allow e-mail, fax, or other electronic submissions. We must physically receive submissions as specified; it is not sufficient to show you mailed or commenced delivery before the due date and time. We will not consider Offers, modifications or withdrawals submitted after the due date and time. All times are State of Illinois local times.

**1.3 NUMBER OF COPIES:** You must submit a signed original and 2 copies of the Offer in a sealed container. In addition, you must submit 1 copy on CD in the following format Microsoft Word. If you are requesting confidential treatment, you must make that request in the form and manner specified elsewhere in this solicitation.

**1.4 OFFER FIRM TIME:** Your Offer must remain firm for 120 days from opening.

**1.5 SECURITY:** Bid Bond \$ N/A Performance Bond \$ N/A. You must submit the Bid Bond with the Offer and the Performance Bond within 10 days after award. The bond must be from a surety licensed to do business in Illinois. An irrevocable letter of credit is an acceptable substitute. The form of security must be acceptable to us.

**1.6 PROTEST REVIEW OFFICE:**

Central Management Services

Phone: (217) 782-9669

Attn: Protest Review Office

Fax: (217) 558-2697

Room 720 Stratton Office Building

TDD: (217) 785-4115

401 South Spring Street

Springfield, Illinois 62706

You may submit a written protest of our actions to the PROTEST REVIEW OFFICE following the requirements of the Standard Procurement Rules (44 Ill. Adm. Code 1.5550). We must physically receive the protest by noon of the seventh calendar day after you knew or should have known of the facts giving rise to the protest.

**1.7 SMALL BUSINESS SET-ASIDE:** ☐ Yes ☒ No. If "Yes" is marked, you must be certified by the Small Business Set-Aside Program at the time Offers are due in order for us to evaluate your Offer. For complete requirements and to certify your business in the Small Business Set-Aside Program, visit [http://www.sell2.illinois.gov/bep/Set\\_Aside.htm](http://www.sell2.illinois.gov/bep/Set_Aside.htm).

1.8 PUBLIC CONTRACTS NUMBER: (775 ILCS 5/2-105) If you do not have a Department of Human Rights' (DHR) Public Contracts Number or have not submitted a completed application to DHR for one before opening we may not be able to consider your Offer. Please contact DHR at 312-814-2431 or visit <http://www.state.il.us/dhr/index.htm> for forms and details.

1.9 OUT OF STATE COMPANIES: Non-Illinois Vendors must contact the Illinois Secretary of State (217-782-1834) regarding a Certificate of Authority to Transact Business in Illinois (805 ILCS 5/13). Application Form BCA 13.15 may be downloaded from [http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/business\\_services/publications\\_and\\_forms/bca.html](http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/business_services/publications_and_forms/bca.html).

1.10 ILLINOIS PROCUREMENT BULLETIN (Bulletin): We publish procurement information (including updates) in the electronic Bulletin (<http://www.purchase.state.il.us>). Procurement information may not be available in any other form or location. You are responsible for monitoring the Bulletin; we cannot be held responsible if you fail to receive the optional e-mail notices.

1.11 AWARD: We will post a notice to the Bulletin identifying the apparent awardee. The notice extends the Offer Firm Time until we sign a contract or determine not to sign a contract. We may accept or reject your Offer as submitted, or may require contract negotiations. If negotiations do not result in an acceptable agreement, we may reject your Offer and begin negotiations with another Vendor. Protested awards are not final and are subject to resolution of the protest.

1.12 PUBLIC RECORDS AND REQUESTS FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT: Offers become the property of the State and these and late submissions will not be returned. Your Offer will be open to the public under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 ILCS 140) and other applicable laws and rules, unless you request in your Offer that we treat certain information as exempt. We will not honor requests to exempt entire Offers. You must show the specific grounds in FOIA or other law or rule that support exempt treatment. Regardless, we will disclose the successful Vendor's name, the substance of the Offer, and the price. If you request exempt treatment, you must submit an additional copy of the Offer with exempt information deleted. This copy must tell the general nature of the material removed and shall retain as much of the Offer as possible. You will be responsible for any costs or damages associated with our defending your request for exempt treatment. You agree the State may copy the Offer to facilitate evaluation, or to respond to requests for public records. You warrant that such copying will not violate the rights of any third party.

1.13 RESERVATIONS: You must read and understand the solicitation and tailor your Offer and activities to ensure compliance. We reserve the right to amend the solicitation; reject any or all Offers; to award by item, group of items, or grand total; and to waive minor defects. We may request a clarification; inspect your premises; interview staff; request a presentation; or otherwise verify the contents of the Offer, including information about subcontractors and suppliers. We may request Best & Final Offers when appropriate. We will make all decisions on compliance, evaluation, terms and conditions, and shall make decisions solely in the best interests of the State. This competitive process requires that you provide additional information and otherwise cooperate with us. If you do not comply with requests for information and cooperate, we may reject your Offer. You have no right to an award by submitting an Offer, nor do you have the right to a contract based on our posting your name in a Bulletin notice. We are not responsible for and will not pay any costs associated with the preparation and submission of your Offer. If you are the awardee, you shall not commence, and will not be paid for any billable work prior to the date all parties execute the contract, unless approved in writing in advance by the State Purchasing Officer or the Chief Procurement Officer (or the CPO's designee).

1.14 GOVERNING LAW AND FORUM: Illinois law and rule govern this solicitation and any resulting contract. You must bring any action relating to this solicitation or any resulting contract in the appropriate court in Illinois. We do not allow binding arbitration. This document contains statutory references designated with "ILCS". You may view the full text at <http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/ilcs.asp>. The Illinois Procurement Code (30 ILCS 500) and the Standard Procurement Rules (44 Ill. Adm. Code 1) are applicable to this solicitation and may be viewed by users registered for the Illinois Procurement Bulletin at <http://www.purchase.state.il.us>.

1.15 EMPLOYMENT TAX CREDIT: Vendors who hire qualified veterans and certain ex-offenders may be eligible for tax credits. Please contact the Illinois Dept. of Revenue (312-814-3215) for information about tax credits. If you receive this tax credit you must report to the Dept. of Central Management Services the number of individuals hired for whom you received tax credits. You must submit this information by August 31 of each year covering the previous 12 months (July–June) (PA 94-1067; 30 ILCS 500/45-67 and 45-70).

## SECTION 2 - HOW WE WILL EVALUATE OFFERS

**2.0 OFFER RESPONSE FORMS:** We will evaluate the information you provide in the Offer Response Forms. You will find these forms in later sections of this solicitation.

**2.1 EVALUATION CATEGORIES:** We evaluate four categories of information: Administrative Compliance, Responsibility, Responsiveness, and Price. We will consider the information you supply or don't supply, and the quality of that information when evaluating your Offer. If we find a failure or deficiency, we may have to reject the Offer or reflect that in the evaluation.

**2.1.1 ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLIANCE:** We will determine whether your Offer complied with the Instructions for Submitting Offers. Except for late submissions, we may require that a Vendor correct deficiencies as a condition of further evaluation.

**2.1.2 RESPONSIBILITY:** We will determine whether you are a "Responsible" Vendor; a Vendor with whom we can or should do business. Factors that we may evaluate to determine Responsibility include, but are not limited to: certifications, conflict of interest, financial disclosures, taxpayer identification number, past performance, references (including those found outside the Offer,) compliance with applicable laws, financial stability and the perceived ability to perform completely as specified. You must at all times have financial resources sufficient, in the opinion of the State, to ensure performance of the contract and must provide proof upon request. We may require that a Vendor correct any deficiencies as a condition of further evaluation.

**2.1.3 RESPONSIVENESS:** We will determine whether the Offer meets the stated requirements. Minor differences or deviations that have negligible impact on the price or suitability of the supply or service to meet the State's needs may be accepted or corrections allowed. If no administratively compliant and responsible Vendor meets a particular requirement, we may waive that requirement. When the specification calls for "Brand Name or Equal," the brand name product is acceptable. Other products will be considered with proof the other product meets stated specifications and is equivalent to the brand product in terms of quality, performance and desired characteristics.

**2.1.4 PRICE:** We will identify the lowest priced Offer that meets Administrative, Responsibility and Responsiveness requirements. We will rank Offers in order of Price when appropriate.

**2.2 AWARD:** We will award to the Responsible Vendor whose Offer passes Administrative review, is Responsive, and who submits the lowest Price.

### SECTION 3 - STATEMENT OF WORK / SPECIFICATIONS / QUALIFICATIONS

3.1 The supplies and/or services required, any milestones and deliverables, warranty, reporting requirements, Vendor and staff requirements, work location, contract term, renewals and other specifications are set forth in the body of the Contract following Section 8 of the solicitation. Section 8 identifies the requirements for completing the Contract as your offer to us.

3.2 WORK LOCATION DISCLOSURE: In Section 2.6 of the Contract, Vendor shall disclose the location where the services required shall be performed. This information and economic impact on Illinois and its residents may be considered in the evaluation. If the selected Vendor receives additional consideration in the evaluation based on work being performed in the United States, the resulting contract shall contain a provision that any shift in such work outside the United States may be considered a breach of contract.

End of Instructions

## SECTION 4 - OFFER TO STATE OF ILLINOIS

Project Title / Reference # \_\_\_\_\_  
(Insert Project Title / Reference # as shown on page 1)

The undersigned authorized representative of the identified Vendor does hereby submit this Offer to perform in full compliance with the subject solicitation. By completing and signing this Form, we are making an Offer to the State of Illinois that the State may accept. We are also certifying to compliance with the various requirements of the solicitation and the documents contained in the solicitation.

We have marked each blank below as appropriate and have used N/A when a section is not applicable to this solicitation. We understand that failure to meet all requirements is cause for disqualification.

We have:

\_\_\_\_ Reviewed the Offer Form, including all referenced documents as well as the solicitation Instructions, filled in all relevant blanks, provided any requested information, and

\_\_\_\_ Signed on the space(s) provided.

### Acknowledgment of Amendments.

\_\_\_\_ We acknowledge receipt of any and all amendments to the solicitation and have taken those into account in making this Offer.

Offer Response Forms. Accompanying and as part of this Offer you will find:

For all Offers

- \_\_\_\_ Bid Security, if required
- \_\_\_\_ Designated number of copies
- \_\_\_\_ Electronic copies, if required. For RFP's include separate disks for technical and pricing, with pricing disk sealed in pricing envelope.
- \_\_\_\_ Completed Responsibility Forms packet
  - \_\_\_\_ Business and Directory Information
  - \_\_\_\_ Conflict of Interest Disclosures
  - \_\_\_\_ Completed and Signed Taxpayer Identification Number form
- \_\_\_\_ Completed Minority, Female and Person with Disability Status and Subcontracting form, if required
- \_\_\_\_ References, if required

For IFBs

- \_\_\_\_ Completed and signed Contract

For RFPs

- \_\_\_\_ Response to Statement of Work/Specifications/Qualifications and Price sections completed and submitted in separate sealed envelopes in the Offer package.

Exceptions. In preparing the Offer we have taken (check one)

- \_\_\_\_ No Exceptions
- \_\_\_\_ Exceptions to the State's language or requirements in the following sections of the Offer:
  - \_\_\_\_ Contract
  - \_\_\_\_ Responsibility forms

Details of the exceptions are shown (check one)

- \_\_\_\_ in the text of each section of the Offer
- \_\_\_\_ on a separate labeled attachment

Domestic Products (check one)

- ☐ We are not making a claim for preference under the Procurement of Domestic Products Act (30 ILCS 517).
- ☐ We are making a claim for preference under the Procurement of Domestic Products Act (30 ILCS 517). After reading the Act we certify we are eligible and that the following product or products bid or proposed in response to this solicitation meet the requirements of the Act. Check and complete as applicable:
- ☐ All products
- ☐ The following individual products (show line item if applicable)

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Request for Confidential Treatment (check one)

☐ We are not requesting confidential treatment for this Offer.

☐ We are seeking confidential treatment for portions of this Offer. We have supplied, as an attachment to this Offer, a listing of the provisions identified by section number for which we seek confidential treatment along with the statutory basis under Illinois law for exempting that information from public disclosure. We have supplied an additional copy of the Offer with confidential information deleted. In the event the designation of confidentiality of this information is challenged, the undersigned hereby agrees to provide legal counsel or other necessary assistance to defend the designation of confidentiality and agrees to hold the State harmless for any costs or damages arising out of the State agreeing to withhold the materials based on Vendor's request.

Protests and Negotiations

If we are selected for award, we understand that does not entitle us to a contract. We further understand the award is conditioned on favorable resolution of any protests and to successful negotiation of terms and conditions including, but not limited to price and any exceptions requested.

Vendor Contact Person: The contact person for purposes of responding to any questions the State may have is:

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Vendor name and DBA)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of party authorized to bind the named Vendor)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION 5 - RESPONSIBILITY FORMS

We have identified various information we need in order to determine if you are eligible to contract with the State and can be considered a "Responsible" Vendor.

You will need to:

Review each of the Responsibility forms, fill in all relevant blanks and provide any requested information.

Business and Directory Information

Conflict of Interest Disclosures

Minority, Female, Person with Disability Status and Subcontracting

Complete and sign the:

Taxpayer Identification Form

Attach references, if required

You must include all of this as part of your Offer or risk disqualification.

## Business and Directory Information

- (a) Name of Business (Official Name and D/B/A)
- (b) Business Headquarters (include Address, Telephone and Facsimile)
- (c) If a Division or Subsidiary of another organization provide the name and address of the parent
- (d) Billing Address
- (e) Name of Chief Executive Officer
- (f) Customer Contact (include Name, Title, Address, Telephone, Toll-Free Number, Facsimile and E-mail)
- (g) Company Web Site
- (h) Type of Organization (i.e., Sole Proprietor, Corporation, Partnership, etc. -- should be the same as on the Taxpayer ID form below)
- (i) Length of Time in Business
- (j) Annual Sales (for most recently completed Fiscal Year)
- (k) Number of Full-Time Employees (average from most recent Fiscal Year)
- (l) Type of and description of business
- (m) State of incorporation, state of formation or state of organization
- (n) Identify and specify the location(s) and telephone numbers of the major offices and other facilities that relate to the Vendor's performance under the terms of this solicitation.
- (o) Department of Human Rights (DHR) Public Contract Number  
If Vendor has employed fifteen (15) or more full-time employees at any time during the 365-day period immediately preceding the publication of this solicitation in the Illinois Procurement Bulletin (or issuance date if not published), then Vendor must have a current Public Contract Number or have proof of having submitted a completed application for one prior to the Solicitation opening date. (44 Ill. Adm. Code 750.210(a)) For application information call the DHR Public Contracts unit at (312) 814-2431.

Show # \_\_\_\_\_ or attach proof of application.

(p) Information Regarding Debarment, Litigation and Terminations

1. During the last five (5) years has any order, judgment or decree of any Federal or State authority been issued barring, suspending or otherwise limiting your right to contract with any governmental entity, including school districts, or to engage in any business practice or activity?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

2. Is there any current, pending or threatened litigation, administrative or regulatory proceedings, or similar matters that could affect your ability to perform the required services.

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

3. During the last five (5) years has any customer terminated a contract for cause or accepted damages in lieu of for cause termination?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

(q) Disclosure of Business Operations with Iran (30 ILCS 500/50-36)

Each bid, offer, or proposal submitted for a State contract, other than a small purchase defined in Section 20-20 [of the Illinois Procurement Code], shall include a disclosure of whether or not the bidder, offeror, or proposing entity, or any of its corporate parents or subsidiaries, within the 24 months before submission of the bid, offer, or proposal had business operations that involved contracts with or provision of supplies or services to the Government of Iran, companies in which the Government of Iran has any direct or indirect equity share, consortiums or projects commissioned by the Government of Iran and:

(1) more than 10% of the company's revenues produced in or assets located in Iran involve oil-related activities or mineral-extraction activities; less than 75% of the company's revenues produced in or assets located in Iran involve contracts with or provision of oil-related or mineral – extraction products or services to the Government of Iran or a project or consortium created exclusively by that Government; and the company has failed to take substantial action; or

(2) the company has, on or after August 5, 1996, made an investment of \$20 million or more, or any combination of investments of at least \$10 million each that in the aggregate equals or exceeds \$20 million in any 12- month period that directly or significantly contributes to the enhancement of Iran's ability to develop petroleum resources of Iran.

A bid, offer, or proposal that does not include this disclosure shall not be considered responsive. We may consider this disclosure when evaluating the bid, offer, or proposal or awarding the contract.

You must check one of the following items and if item 2 is checked you must also make the necessary disclosure:

\_\_\_ There are no business operations that must be disclosed to comply with the above cited law.

\_\_\_ The following business operations are disclosed to comply with the above cited law:

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## CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES

**Instructions.** Vendor shall disclose with the Offer financial interests, potential conflicts of interest and contract information identified in Sections 1, 2 and 3 below as a condition of receiving an award or contract (30 ILCS 500/50-13 and 50-35).

If the Vendor is a wholly owned subsidiary of a parent organization, separate disclosures must be made by the Vendor and the parent. For purposes of this form, a parent organization is any entity that owns 100% of the Vendor.

This disclosure information is submitted on behalf of (show official name of Vendor, and if applicable, D/B/A and parent):

Name of Vendor: \_\_\_\_\_

D/B/A (if used): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of any Parent Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

### Section 1: Section 50-13 Conflicts of Interest

All Vendors must complete this section regardless of the dollar value of the contract or method of procurement. Even if you mark "No Conflict of Interests" you may still need to complete Section 2 and 3.

(a) Prohibition. It is unlawful for any person holding an elective office in this State, holding a seat in the General Assembly, or appointed to or employed in any of the offices or agencies of State government and who receives compensation for such employment in excess of 60% of the salary of the Governor of the State of Illinois [\$106,447.20], or who is an officer or employee of the Capital Development Board or the Illinois Toll Highway Authority, or who is the spouse or minor child of any such person to have or acquire any contract, or any direct pecuniary interest in any contract therein, whether for stationery, printing, paper, or any services, materials, or supplies, that will be wholly or partially satisfied by the payment of funds appropriated by the General Assembly of the State of Illinois or in any contract of the Capital Development Board or the Illinois Toll Highway Authority.

(b) Interests. It is unlawful for any firm, partnership, association, or corporation, in which any person listed in subsection (a) is entitled to receive (i) more than 7 1/2% of the total distributable income or (ii) an amount in excess of the salary of the Governor (\$177,412.00], to have or acquire any such contract or direct pecuniary interest therein.

(c) Combined interests. It is unlawful for any firm, partnership, association, or corporation, in which any person listed in subsection (a) together with his or her spouse or minor children is entitled to receive (i) more than 15%, in the aggregate, of the total distributable income or (ii) an amount in excess of 2 times the salary of the Governor [\$354,824.00], to have or acquire any such contract or direct pecuniary interest therein.

Check One:

\_\_\_\_\_ No Conflicts Of Interest

\_\_\_\_\_ Potential Conflict of Interest (If checked, name each conflicted individual, the nature of the conflict, and the name of the State agency that is associated directly or indirectly with the conflicted individual.)

**Section 2: Disclosure of Financial Interest in the Vendor.**

This applies to all contracts with an annual value exceeding \$10,000 that must be procured using one of the authorized competitive methods of source selection. Complete the appropriate subsections.

Vendors must complete subsection (a), (b) or (c) below as applicable if the annual value exceeds \$10,000. Use (c) if you do not meet the requirements for (a) or (b). In addition, all Vendors must complete Section 3.

(a) Publicly traded corporations subject to SEC reporting requirements

(a-1) Vendor shall submit their 10K disclosure (include proxy if referenced in 10k) in satisfaction of the financial and conflict of interest disclosure requirements set forth in subsections 50-35 a and b of the Procurement Code. The SEC 20f or 40f, supplemented with the names of those owning in excess of 5% and up to the ownership percentages disclosed in those submissions, may be accepted as being substantially equivalent to 10K.

Check here if submitting a 10k \_\_\_\_\_, 20f \_\_\_\_\_, or 40f \_\_\_\_\_.

(a-2) Vendor shall identify each contract, pending contracts, bids, proposals and other ongoing procurement relationships it has with units of State of Illinois government by showing agency name and other descriptive information such as bid number, project title, purchase order number or contract reference number (Attach additional pages as necessary. Show "none" if appropriate).

(b) Privately held corporations with more than 400 shareholders

(b-1) These Vendors may submit the information identified in 17 CFR 229.401 and list the names of any person or entity holding any ownership share in excess of 5% in satisfaction of the financial and conflict of interest disclosure requirements set forth in subsections 50-35 a and b of the Procurement Code.

(b-2) Vendor shall identify each contract, pending contracts, bids, proposals and other ongoing procurement relationships it has with units of State of Illinois government by showing agency name and other descriptive information such as bid number, project title, purchase order number or contract reference number (Attach additional pages as necessary. Show "none" if appropriate).

(c) General disclosure. Individuals, sole proprietorships, partnerships and any others not qualified to use subsection (a) or (b) above must complete (c-1), (c-2), and (c-3) as appropriate.

(c-1) For each individual having any of the following financial interests in the Vendor (or its parent), please mark each that apply and show the applicable name and address. Use separate forms for each individual.

|                                                     |                              |                             |                         |          |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|----------|
| Does Ownership exceed 5%?                           | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | If Yes show percentage* | _____ %. |
| Does Ownership value exceed \$106,447.20?           | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | If Yes show \$ amount   | \$ _____ |
| Does Distributive Income Share exceed 5%?           | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | If Yes show percentage* | _____ %. |
| Does Distributive Income Share exceed \$106,447.20? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | If Yes show \$ amount   | \$ _____ |
| How is this interest held?                          |                              |                             |                         |          |

Type of ownership/distributable income share:

Sole Proprietorship ☐ Stock ☐ Partnership ☐ Other (explain) \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\*For partnerships with more than 50 partners, the percentage share of ownership of each individual identified above may be shown in the following ranges (Dollar value fields must also be completed when applicable):

0.5% or less \_\_\_\_\_ >0.5 to 1.0% \_\_\_\_\_ >1.0 to 2.0% \_\_\_\_\_ >2.0 to 3.0 % \_\_\_\_\_ > 3.0 to 4.0% \_\_\_\_\_ %  
>4.0 to 5.0% \_\_\_\_\_ and in additional 1% increments as appropriate \_\_\_\_\_ %

(c-2) In relation to individuals identified in c-1 above, indicate whether any of the following potential conflict of interest relationships apply. If "Yes," please describe each situation (label with appropriate letter) using the space at end of this Section (attach additional pages as necessary). If no individual has been identified in c-1 above, mark not applicable (n/a) here \_\_\_\_\_.

(a) State employment, currently or in the previous 3 years, including contractual employment of services directly with the individuals identified in Section 1 in their individual capacity unrelated to the Vendor's contract. Yes ☐ No ☐

(b) State employment of spouse, father, mother, son, or daughter, including contractual employment for services in the previous 2 years. Yes ☐ No ☐

(c) Elective status; the holding of elective office of the State of Illinois, the government of the United States, any unit of local government authorized by the Constitution of the State of Illinois or the statutes of the State of Illinois currently or in the previous 3 years. Yes ☐ No ☐

(d) Relationship to anyone holding elective office currently or in the previous 2 years; spouse, father, mother, son, or daughter. Yes ☐ No ☐

(e) Appointive office; the holding of any appointive government office of the State of Illinois, the United States of America, or any unit of local government authorized by the Constitution of the State of Illinois or the statutes of the State of Illinois, which office entitles the holder to compensation in excess of expenses incurred in the discharge of that office currently or in the previous 3 years. Yes ☐ No ☐

(f) Relationship to anyone holding appointive office currently or in the previous 2 years; spouse, father, mother, son, or daughter. Yes ☐ No ☐

(g) Employment, currently or in the previous 3 years, as or by any registered lobbyist of the State government. Yes ☐ No ☐

(h) Relationship to anyone who is or was a registered lobbyist in the previous 2 years; spouse, father, mother, son, or daughter. Yes ☐ No ☐

(i) Compensated employment, currently or in the previous 3 years, by any registered election or re-election committee registered with the Secretary of State or any county clerk in the State of Illinois, or any political action committee registered with either the Secretary of State or the Federal Board of Elections. Yes ☐ No ☐

(j) Relationship to anyone; spouse, father, mother, son, or daughter; who is or was a compensated employee in the last 2 years of any registered election or reelection committee registered with the Secretary of State or any county clerk in the State of Illinois, or any political action committee registered with either the Secretary of State or the Federal Board of Elections. Yes ☐ No ☐

### Section 3: Current and Pending Contracts

Vendor shall identify each contract, pending contracts, bids, proposals and other ongoing procurement relationships it has with units of State of Illinois government by showing agency name and other descriptive information such as bid number, project title, purchase order number or contract reference number. (Attach additional pages as necessary. Show "none" if appropriate.)

## Minority, Female, Person with Disability Status and Subcontracting

The Business Enterprise Program Act for Minorities, Females and Persons with Disabilities (BEP) (30 ILCS 575) establishes a goal for contracting with businesses that have been certified as owned and controlled by persons who are minority, female or who have disabilities. While you must complete this form, your response will not be considered in the evaluation. A listing of certified businesses may be obtained from the Department of Central Management Services' Business Enterprise Program for Minorities, Females and Persons with Disabilities by calling 312/814-4190 (Voice & TDD), 800/356-9206 (Toll Free), or 800/526-0844 (Illinois Relay Center for Hearing Impaired).

Name of Company (and D/B/A): \_\_\_\_\_

Is your company at least 51% owned and controlled by individuals in one or more of the following categories? Yes ☐ No ☐

If "Yes" check each that applies:

Category:

Minority ☐

Female ☐

Person with Disability ☐

Disadvantaged ☐

If "Yes," please identify, by checking the applicable blanks, which agency certified the business and in what category:

Certifying Agency:

Department of Central Management Services ☐

Women's Business Development Center ☐

Chicago Minority Business Development Council ☐

Illinois Department of Transportation ☐

Other (please identify): \_\_\_\_\_

Category:

Minority ☐

Female ☐

Person with Disability ☐

Disadvantaged ☐

If you are not a certified BEP business, do you have a written policy or goal regarding contracting or subcontracting with BEP certified Vendors? Yes ☐ (attach copy) No ☐

If "No," will you make a commitment to contact BEP certified Vendors and consider them for subcontracting opportunities on this contract? Yes ☐ No ☐

Do you plan on ordering supplies or services in furtherance of this contract from BEP certified Vendors? Yes ☐ No ☐

If "Yes," please identify what you plan to order, the estimated value as a percentage of your total Offer, and the names of the BEP certified Vendors you plan to use.

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## Taxpayer Identification Form

I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
3. I am a U.S. person (including a U.S. resident alien).
  - If you are an individual, enter your name and SSN as it appears on your Social Security Card.
  - If you are a sole proprietor, enter the owner's name on the name line followed by the name of the business and the owner's SSN or EIN.
  - If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the owner's name on the name line and the d/b/a on the business name line and enter the owner's SSN or EIN.
  - If the LLC is a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's business name and EIN and for corporations, attach IRS acceptance letter (CP261 or CP277).
  - For all other entities, enter the name of the entity as used to apply for the entity's EIN and the EIN.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Taxpayer Identification Number:

Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

or

Employer Identification Number \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Status (check one):

☐ Individual

☐ Governmental

☐ Sole Proprietor

☐ Nonresident alien

☐ Partnership

☐ Estate or trust

☐ Legal Services Corporation

☐ Pharmacy (Non-Corp.)

☐ Tax-exempt

☐ Pharmacy/Funeral Home/Cemetery (Corp.)

☐ Corporation providing or billing  
medical and/or health care services

☐ Limited Liability Company (select applicable tax classification)

☐ D = disregarded entity

☐ C = corporation

☐ P = partnership

☐ Corporation NOT providing or billing  
medical and/or health care services

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION 6 - RESPONSIVENESS

For this solicitation, we have shown the supplies and services (Responsiveness items) we require, as well as terms and conditions under which we expect to contract with the selected Vendor, in the attached Contract. You will show your pricing and provide any other needed information directly on this Contract.

## SECTION 7 - PRICE

For this solicitation, you will show your price in Section 3 of the attached Contract and provide any other needed information directly on this Contract.

## SECTION 8 - CONTRACT

We expect to contract based on the terms and conditions as set forth in the following State of Illinois Contract. If you are unable to accept one or more parts of the Contract, you will need to identify any exception that you would want us to consider. You may show these changes on the Contract form itself by striking over language you find problematic, and underlining alternate language or by listing the sections and showing the alternate language on a separate page. You must provide these exceptions requests with your Offer.

Please note that most contract provisions are required by law or important policy and we have very limited ability to consider and accept changes you might propose.

You will need to review the Contract and complete the following fields:

- |           |                                                         |
|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Page 1    | sign the contract and provide contact information       |
| Section 2 | fill in any blanks or provide any information requested |
| Section 3 | insert price information                                |

# CONTRACT

The Parties to this Contract are the State of Illinois acting through the undersigned Agency (collectively the State) and the Vendor. The Contract consists of this signature page, the following pages detailing the contents described below, and any attachments identified on these pages.

1. TERM AND TERMINATION
2. DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES / SERVICES
3. PRICING
4. STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS
5. CERTIFICATIONS AND CONFLICTS
6. SUPPLEMENTAL PROVISIONS

In consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements contained in this Contract, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree to the terms and conditions set forth herein and have caused this Contract to be executed by their duly authorized representatives on the dates shown below.

VENDOR  
(Vendor Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
(Agency Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Official Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Designee Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

## STATE USE ONLY

## NOT PART OF CONTRACTUAL PROVISIONS

PBC# \_\_\_\_\_

Contract # \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title \_\_\_\_\_

Procurement Method (IFB, RFP, Small, etc): \_\_\_\_\_ Award Code: \_\_\_\_\_

IPB Publication Date: \_\_\_\_\_ IPB Ref. # \_\_\_\_\_

Subcontractor Utilization? Yes ☐ No ☐ Subcontractor Disclosure? Yes ☐ No ☐

Funding Source \_\_\_\_\_ Obligation # \_\_\_\_\_

CMS Program Compliance \_\_\_\_\_

Fiscal Compliance \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Compliance \_\_\_\_\_

Executive Compliance \_\_\_\_\_

1. TERM AND TERMINATION

1.1 TERM OF THIS CONTRACT:

Unless otherwise specified, this Contract shall commence upon the last dated signature of the Parties for a period of thirty six months.

- 1.2 RENEWAL: This Contract may not be renewed unless the renewal period(s) and any applicable conditions are shown below. The renewal shall be subject to the same terms and conditions as the original Contract unless otherwise stated below. Renewal pricing is shown in Section 3. However, the Contract may not renew automatically, nor may the contract renew solely at the Vendor's option.

The State reserves the right to renew for a total of 2 years in one of the following manners:

- a) One renewal covering the entire renewal allowance,
- b) Individual one-year renewals up to and including the entire renewal allowance, or
- c) Any combination of full or partial-year renewals up to and including the entire renewal allowance.

1.3 TERMINATION FOR CAUSE: The State may terminate this Contract, in whole or in part, immediately upon notice to the Vendor if it is determined that the actions, or failure to act, of the Vendor, its agents, employees or subcontractors have caused, or reasonably could cause jeopardy to health, safety, or property. If Vendor fails to perform to the State's satisfaction any material requirement of this Contract or is in violation of a material provision of this Contract, the State shall provide written notice to the Vendor requesting that the breach or noncompliance be remedied within the period of time specified in the State's written notice. If the breach or noncompliance is not remedied by that date the State may either: (a) immediately terminate the Contract without additional written notice or, (b) enforce the terms and conditions of the Contract, and in either event seek any available legal or equitable remedies and damages.

1.4 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE: Following thirty (30) days written notice, the State may terminate this Contract in whole or in part without the payment of any penalty or incurring any further obligation to the Vendor. Following any such termination for convenience, the Vendor shall be entitled to compensation upon submission of invoices and proof of claim for services provided under this Contract up to and including the date of termination.

## 2. DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES AND SERVICES

The Illinois Department of Central Management (CMS) would like to establish a contract to procure bandwidth, 100MB Ethernet fiber connection, between Collinsville and Highland Illinois.

### 2.1 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

The goal of this project is to meet the demand for high speed scalable connectivity between constituent facilities and the State's Illinois Century Network backbone. This service will provide delivery of high speed Internet and Intranet access for numerous schools, libraries and municipalities each serving hundreds of Illinois citizens of the Highland community. 100 Megabit fiber optic Ethernet point to point service for CMS BCCS Regional Technology Office 8 connectivity to the Illinois Century Network. This service will provide data connectivity to the Highland area which is currently underserved in the area of high speed connectivity options. Currently, the schools in this geographic area are well under the minimum bandwidth levels known to be necessary to participate in the interactive educational programs, and online learning tools available and utilized by schools in other parts of the state. Further, this service will provide high speed data connectivity to the other organizations in the Highland area including public libraries and municipal government.

Furthermore this contract will be used to provide a cost effective, efficient and quick procurement vehicle for the purchase of 100MB Ethernet Fiber connection. The contract will be used to increase bandwidth on an as needed basis.

### 2.2 SUPPLIES AND/OR SERVICES REQUIRED:

One fiber based 100Megabit per second point to point Ethernet service. Service must be scalable and able to be upgraded with no additional installation or hardware costs to the State of Illinois for any non-State owned fiber or equipment. Service must be synchronous at 100megabit per second transmit and receive. Vendor will supply, at their expense, a termination switch at A and Z end locations and fiber patch panel which will act as demarcation point.

The contracted CIR (Committed Information Rate) must be guaranteed at 100Megabit per second. There should be no MAC address limits. Latency on the network may not exceed 27 milliseconds one way end to end. Jitter may not exceed 12 milliseconds one way end to end.

All orders will be placed using the State's basic ordering agreement.

CMS does not guarantee a minimum or maximum quantity and has no minimum purchase obligation.

**2.3 MILESTONES AND DELIVERABLES:** Vendor shall not perform services, provide supplies or incur expenses in amount exceeding the amount shown in this Section, unless a higher amount is authorized in writing by the State prior to the Vendor performing the services, providing the supplies, or incurring the expenses.

Not-to-exceed \$       N/A      

Service is to be installed and fully operational within 120 days following execution of the Basic Ordering Agreement. Vendor will perform site survey for A and Z end locations and fully outline any and all requirements for the State of Illinois regarding build, environmental, power, conduit, or other. Vendor will provide status reports on demand of the State of Illinois

### 2.4 VENDOR / STAFF SPECIFICATIONS:

**2.4.1 SUBCONTRACTORS:** Vendor shall identify the names and addresses of all subcontractors utilized by Vendor in the performance of this Contract, together with the anticipated amount of money that each subcontractor is expected to receive pursuant to this Contract. The State may request updated information at any time. For purposes of this section, subcontractors are those specifically hired to perform all or part of the work of this contract or to provide the supplies requested by the State.

Subcontractor Name

Amount to be paid

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**2.4.2** Vendor will provide to the State of Illinois technical, sales and account contact information and helpdesk information, and escalation contact information. Helpdesk and technical support must be available to the State of Illinois on a 24x7x365 basis.

### 2.5 DELIVERY SPECIFICATIONS: N/A

**2.6 WHERE SERVICES ARE TO BE PERFORMED:** Unless otherwise specified in this section all services shall be performed in the United States. If the Vendor creates or manufactures the supplies or performs any of the work in another country in violation of the Contract, such action may be deemed a breach of the Contract. Vendor shall disclose the location where the services required shall be performed. If at multiple locations, the known or anticipated value of the services performed at each location shall be identified. If the Vendor received additional consideration in the evaluation based on work being performed in the United States, it shall be a breach of contract if the Vendor shifts any such work outside the United States.

Service is to be installed between the following locations:

Aend – 1100 East Port Plaza Drive

2.7 SCHEDULE OF WORK: Any work performed on State premises shall be done during the hours designated by the State and performed in a manner that does not interfere with the State and its personnel.

2.8 WARRANTIES FOR SUPPLIES AND SERVICES:

2.8.1 Vendor warrants that the supplies furnished under this Contract (a) will conform to the State's manufacturing standards, specifications, drawing, samples or descriptions furnished by the State, including but not limited to all specifications attached as exhibits hereto, (b) will be merchantable, of good quality and workmanship, free from defects for a period of twelve months or longer if specified in writing, and fit and sufficient for the intended use (c) will comply with all federal and state laws, regulations and ordinances pertaining to the manufacturing, packing, labeling, sale and delivery of the supplies (d) will be of good title and be free and clear of all liens and encumbrances and (e) will not infringe any patent, copyright or other intellectual property rights of any third party. Vendor agrees to reimburse the State for any losses, costs, damages or expenses, including without limitations, reasonable attorney's fees and expenses, arising from failure of the supplies to meet such warranties. Vendor shall insure that all manufacturers' warranties are transferred to the State and shall provide a copy of the warranty. These warranties shall be in addition to all other warranties, express, implied or statutory, and shall survive the State's payment, acceptance, inspection or failure to inspect the supplies.

2.8.2 Vendor warrants that all services will be performed in a good and professional manner to industry standards by trained and competent personnel. Vendor shall monitor performances of each individual and shall reassign immediately any individual who is not performing to professional standards, who is not efficient or effective in performing the work of the contract, who is disruptive or not respectful of others in the workplace, or who in any way violates the Contract or State policies.

2.9 REPORTING, STATUS AND MONITORING SPECIFICATIONS:

2.9.1 Vendor shall immediately notify the State of any event that may have a material impact on Vendor's ability to perform the Contract.

2.9.2 Upon request and on forms provided by Agency, Vendor shall report the number of qualified veterans and certain ex-offenders hired during Vendor's last completed fiscal year. Vendor may be entitled to employment tax credit for hiring individuals in those groups (PA 94-1067).

2.9.3 Vendor will monitor service for up down status and report to the State of Illinois any existing or potential problems which would result in an interruption of service or degradation of service.

In the event of an interruption of service, or during periods of a degradation of service, the vendor will provide hourly updates on repair status, and provide status on demand of the State of Illinois. Vendor will work with the State of Illinois technical staff as necessary to resolve problems with the service.

Vendor will outline their monitoring and helpdesk service as part of their response to this IFB.

### 3. PRICING

3.1 METHOD AND RATE OF COMPENSATION: Vendor shall be compensated by the following method:

- ☐ hourly \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ monthly \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ annually \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ project \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ item \_\_\_\_\_

3.2 MAXIMUM COMPENSATION FOR SUPPLIES AND SERVICES:

- ☒ Firm Price \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Estimated Price \_\_\_\_\_

| Description                                                                                                                                          | Monthly Cost |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| 100 MB Ethernet Fiber connection<br>from Aend – 1100 East Port Plaza<br>Drive<br>Collinsville, IL 62234<br>Zend - 400 Broadway<br>Highland, IL 62249 |              |

3.3 RENEWAL COMPENSATION: If this contract is renewed, the price shall be the same as for the initial term unless a different compensation, or formula for determining the renewal compensation, is stated below.

3.4 EXPENSES: Unless otherwise agreed upon and stated herein, this Contract does not allow for reimbursement of any expense incurred by Vendor, including but not limited to telephone or other communications device, postage, copying, travel, transportation, lodging, food and per diem. Any approved travel expenses shall be reimbursed in accordance with the Travel Regulation Council and Governor's Travel Board rules.

3.5 DISCOUNT: \_\_\_\_\_ % discount for payment within \_\_\_\_\_ days of receipt of invoice

3.6 TAX: Vendor shall not bill for any taxes unless accompanied by proof the State is subject to the tax. If necessary, Vendor may request the applicable Agency's Illinois tax exemption number and federal tax exemption information.

3.7 INVOICING: Vendor shall invoice at the completion of the Contract unless invoicing is tied in this Contract to milestone or deliverables, or other invoicing requirements agreed to elsewhere in this Contract. Send invoices to 12 W. Jefferson, FL3, Springfield, IL 62702.

3.8 PAYMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

3.8.1 By submitting an invoice, Vendor certifies that the supplies or services provided meet all requirements of the Contract, and the amount billed and expenses incurred are as allowed in the Contract. Invoices for supplies purchased, services performed and expenses incurred through June 30 of any year must be submitted to the State no later than July 31 of that year; otherwise Vendor may have to seek payment through the Illinois Court of Claims (30 ILCS 105/25). All invoices are subject to statutory offset (30 ILCS 210).

3.8.2 Payments, including late payment charges, will be paid in accordance with the State "Prompt Payment Act" (30 ILCS 540) and rules (74 Ill. Adm. Code 900) when applicable. Payments delayed at the beginning of the State's fiscal year (July and August payments) because of the appropriation process shall not be considered a breach.

3.8.3 The State shall not be liable to pay for supplies provided or services rendered, including related expenses incurred prior to the execution of this Contract by the Parties and the beginning of the term of this Contract.

3.8.4 As a condition of receiving payment Vendor must pay its employees prevailing wages when required by law (e.g., public works, printing, janitorial, window washing, building and grounds services, site technician services, natural resource services, security guard and food services). Vendor is responsible for contacting the Illinois Dept. of Labor (217-782-6206; <http://www.state.il.us/agency/idol/index.htm>) to ensure understanding of prevailing wage requirements (30 ILCS 500/25-60(b)).

3.8.5 As a condition of receiving payment Vendor must pay its suppliers and subcontractors according to the terms of their respective contracts. Vendor shall provide lien waivers to the State upon request.

#### **4. STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

**4.1 AVAILABILITY OF APPROPRIATION (30 ILCS 500/20-60):** State shall use its best efforts to secure sufficient appropriations to fund this Contract. However, the State, at its sole option, may terminate or suspend this contract, in whole or in part, without penalty or further payment being required, if the Illinois General Assembly or the federal funding source fails to make an appropriation sufficient to pay such obligation, or if funds needed are insufficient for any reason.

**4.2 AUDIT/RETENTION OF RECORDS (30 ILCS 500/20-65):** Vendor and its subcontractors shall maintain books and records relating to the performance of the Contract or subcontract and necessary to support amounts charged to the State under the Contract or subcontract. Books and records, including information stored in databases or other computer systems, shall be maintained by the Vendor for a period of three years from the later of the date of final payment under the Contract or completion of the Contract, and by the subcontractor for a period of three years from the later of final payment under the term or during the three year period thereafter. Books and records required to be maintained under this section shall be available for review or audit by representatives of the State, the Auditor General, the Executive Inspector General and other governmental entities with monitoring authority, upon reasonable notice and during normal business hours. Vendor and its subcontractors shall cooperate fully with any such audit and with any investigation conducted by any of these entities. Failure to maintain books and records required by this section shall establish a presumption in favor of the State for the recovery of any funds paid by the State under the Contract for which adequate books and records are not available to support the purported disbursement. The Vendor shall not impose a charge for audit or examination of the Vendor's books and records. If federal funds are used to pay contract costs, the Vendor must retain its records for five years. Vendor shall take reasonable steps to insure that any subcontractor is in compliance with the requirements of this section.

**4.3 TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE:** Time is of the essence with respect to Vendor's performance of this Contract. Except as specifically waived in writing, failure by either Party to exercise or enforce a right shall not affect any subsequent ability to exercise or enforce a right.

**4.4 FORCE MAJEURE:** Failure by either Party to perform its duties and obligations will be excused by unforeseeable circumstances beyond its reasonable control and not due to its negligence including acts of nature, acts of terrorism, riots, labor disputes, fire, flood, explosion, and governmental prohibition. The non-declaring party may cancel the Contract without penalty if performance does not resume within 30 days of the declaration.

**4.5 CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION:** Each Party, including its agents and subcontractors, to this Contract may have or gain access to confidential data or information owned or maintained by the other Party in the course of carrying out its responsibilities under this Contract. The receiving Party shall presume all information received or to which it gains access pursuant to this Contract is confidential unless otherwise designated by the disclosing Party. No confidential data collected, maintained, or used in the course of performance of the Contract shall be disseminated except as authorized by law and with the written consent of the disclosing Party, either during the period of the Contract or thereafter. The receiving Party must return any and all data collected, maintained, created or used in the course of the performance of the Contract, in whatever form it is maintained, promptly at the end of the Contract, or earlier at the request of the disclosing Party, or notify the disclosing Party in writing of its destruction. The foregoing obligations shall not apply to confidential data or information lawfully in the receiving Party's possession prior to its acquisition from the disclosing Party; received in good faith from a third-party not subject to any confidentiality obligation to the disclosing Party; now is or later becomes publicly known through no breach of confidentiality obligation by the receiving Party; or is independently developed by the receiving Party without the use or benefit of the disclosing Party's confidential information.

**4.6 USE AND OWNERSHIP:** All work performed or supplies created by Vendor under this Contract, whether written documents or data, goods or deliverables of any kind, shall be deemed work-for-hire under copyright law and all intellectual property and other laws, and the State of Illinois is granted sole and exclusive ownership to all such work, unless otherwise agreed to herein. Vendor hereby assigns to the State all right, title, and interest in and to such work including any related intellectual property rights, and/or waives any and all claims that Vendor may have to such work including any so-called "moral rights" in connection with the work. Confidential data or information contained in such work shall be subject to Section 4.5 herein.

**4.7 INDEMNIFICATION AND LIABILITY:** The Vendor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the State of Illinois, its agencies, officers, employees, agents and volunteers from any and all costs, demands, expenses, losses, claims, damages, liabilities, settlements and judgments, including in-house and contracted attorneys' fees and expenses, arising out of (a) any breach or violation by Vendor of any of its representations, warranties, covenants or agreements set forth herein, (b) any actual or alleged death or injury to any person, damage to any property or any other damage or loss by whomsoever suffered, claimed to result in whole or in part from Vendor's negligent performance hereunder, (c) any act, activity or omission of Vendor or any of its employees, representatives, subcontractors or agents. Neither party shall be liable for incidental, special, consequential or punitive damages.

**4.8 INSURANCE:** Vendor shall, at all times during the term and any renewals, maintain and provide a Certificate of Insurance naming the State as additional insured for all required bonds and insurance. Certificates may not be modified or canceled until at least 30 days notice has been provided to the State. Vendor shall provide: (a) General Commercial Liability-occurrence form in amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence (Combined Single Limit Bodily Injury and Property Damage) and \$2,000,000 Annual Aggregate; (b) Auto Liability, including Hired Auto and Non-owned Auto, (Combined Single Limit Bodily Injury and Property Damage) in amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence; and (c) Worker's Compensation Insurance in amount required by law. Insurance shall not limit Vendor's obligation to indemnify, defend, or settle any claims.

**4.9 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR:** Vendor shall, in the performance of this Contract, be an independent contractor and not an agent or employee of, or joint venturer with the State. All payments by the State shall be made on that basis.

**4.10 ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTING:** This Contract may not be assigned, transferred or subcontracted in whole or in part by the Vendor without the prior written consent of the State. Vendor shall describe, as a supplemental provision to this Contract, the names and addresses of all authorized subcontractors utilized by Vendor in the performance of this Contract, together with a description of the work to be performed by the subcontractor and the anticipated amount of money that each subcontractor is expected to receive pursuant to this Contract. For purposes of this section, subcontractors are those specifically hired to perform all or part of the work or to provide the supplies covered by the Contract.

**4.11 SOLICITATION AND EMPLOYMENT:** Vendor shall not employ any person employed by the State during the term of this Contract to perform any work under this Contract. Vendor shall give notice immediately to the Agency's director if Vendor solicits or intends to solicit State employees to perform any work under this Contract.

**4.12 COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAW:** The Vendor, its employees, agents, and subcontractors shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, ordinances, regulations, orders, federal circulars and all license and permit requirements in the performance of this Contract. Vendor shall be in compliance with applicable tax requirements and shall be current in payment of such taxes.

**4.13 BACKGROUND CHECK:** Whenever the State deems it reasonably necessary for security reasons, the State may conduct, at its expense, criminal and driver history background checks of Vendor's officers, employees or agents. Vendor shall reassign immediately any such individual who does not pass the background checks.

**4.14 APPLICABLE LAW:** This Contract shall be construed in accordance with and is subject to the laws and rules of the State of Illinois. The Department of Human Rights' Equal Opportunity requirements (44 Ill. Adm. Code 750) are incorporated by reference. Any claim against the State arising out of this Contract must be filed exclusively with the Illinois Court of Claims (705 ILCS 505/1). The State shall not enter into binding arbitration to resolve any Contract dispute. The State of Illinois does not waive sovereign immunity by entering into this Contract. The official text of cited statutes is incorporated by reference (An unofficial version can be viewed at <http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/ilcs.asp>). In compliance with the Illinois and federal Constitutions, the Illinois Human Rights Act, the U. S. Civil Rights Act, and Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act and other applicable laws and rules the State does not unlawfully discriminate in employment, contracts, or any other activity.

**4.15 ANTI-TRUST ASSIGNMENT:** If Vendor does not pursue any claim and cause of action it has arising under federal or state antitrust laws relating to the subject matter of the Contract, then upon request Vendor shall assign to the State all right, title and interest in and to the claim or cause of action.

**4.16 AUTHORIZATION:** Each Party to this Contract represents and warrants to the other that: (a) it has the right, power and authority to enter into and perform its obligations under this Contract and (b) it has taken all requisite action (corporate, statutory or otherwise) to approve execution, delivery and performance of this Contract, and (c) this Contract constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation upon itself in accordance with its terms.

**4.17 CONTRACTUAL AUTHORITY:** The Agency that signs for the State of Illinois shall be the only State entity responsible for performance and payment under the Contract. When the Department of Central Management Services (CMS) signs in addition to an Agency, CMS does so as approving officer and shall have no liability to Vendor. When CMS signs a Master Contract on behalf of State agencies, only the Agency that places an order with the Vendor shall have any liability to Vendor.

**4.18 NOTICES:** Notices and other communications provided for herein shall be given in writing by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, by receipted hand delivery, by courier (UPS, Federal Express or other similar and reliable carrier), by e-mail, or by fax showing the date and time of successful receipt. Notices shall be sent to the individuals who signed the Contract using the contact information following the signatures. Each such notice shall be deemed to have been provided at the time it is actually received. By giving notice, either Party may change the contact information.

## 5. CERTIFICATIONS AND CONFLICTS

Vendor certifies it is under no legal prohibition on contracting with the State of Illinois, has no known conflicts of interest and further specifically certifies that:

5.1 Vendor, its employees and subcontractors will comply with applicable provisions of the U.S. Civil Rights Act, Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq.) and applicable rules in performance under this Contract.

5.2 Vendor is not in default on an educational loan (5 ILCS 385/3).

5.3 Vendor (if an individual, sole proprietor, or partner) has informed the director of the Agency in writing if he/she was formerly employed by that agency and has received an early retirement incentive prior to 1993 under Section 14-108.3 or 16-133.3 of the Illinois Pension Code, 40 ILCS 5/14-108.3 and 40 ILCS 5/16-133.3, and acknowledges that contracts made without the appropriate filing with the Auditor General are not payable from the "contractual services" or other appropriation line items. Vendor has not received an early retirement incentive on or after 2002 under Section 14-108.3 or 16-133.3 of the Illinois Pension Code, 40 ILCS 5/14-108.3 and 40 ILCS 5/16-133.3, and acknowledges that contracts in violation of Section 15a of the State Finance Act are not payable from the "contractual services" or other appropriation line items (30 ILCS 105/15a).

5.4 Vendor certifies (i) that it will offer to assume the collective bargaining obligations of the prior employer, including any existing collective bargaining agreement with the bargaining representative of any existing collective bargaining unit or units performing substantially similar work to the services covered by the contract subject to its bid or offer, and (ii) that it shall offer employment to all employees currently employed in any existing bargaining unit performing substantially similar work that will be performed under this contract (30 ILCS 500/25-80).

5.5 Vendor has not been convicted of bribing or attempting to bribe an officer or employee of the State of Illinois or any other State, nor has Vendor made an admission of guilt of such conduct that is a matter of record (30 ILCS 500/50-5).

5.6 If Vendor has been convicted of a felony, at least five years have passed after the date of completion of the sentence for such felony, unless no person held responsible by a prosecutor's office for the facts upon which the conviction was based continues to have any involvement with the business (30 ILCS 500/50-10).

5.7 If Vendor, or any officer, director, partner, or other managerial agent of Vendor, has been convicted of a felony under the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, or a Class 3 or Class 2 felony under the Illinois Securities Law of 1953, at least five years have passed since the date of the conviction. Vendor further certifies that it is not barred from being awarded a contract and acknowledges that the State shall declare the Contract void if this certification is false (30 ILCS 500/50-10.5).

5.8 Vendor and its affiliates are not delinquent in the payment of any debt to the State (or if delinquent has entered into a deferred payment plan to pay the debt), and Vendor and its affiliates acknowledge the State may declare the Contract void if this certification is false (30 ILCS 500/50-11) or if Vendor or an affiliate later becomes delinquent and has not entered into a deferred payment plan to pay off the debt (30 ILCS 500/50-60).

5.9 Vendor and all affiliates shall collect and remit Illinois Use Tax on all sales of tangible personal property into the State of Illinois in accordance with provisions of the Illinois Use Tax Act (30 ILCS 500/50-12) and acknowledges that failure to comply can result in the Contract being declared void.

5.10 Vendor certifies that it has not committed a willful or knowing violation of the Environmental Protection Act (relating to Civil Penalties under the Environmental Protection Act) within the last five years, and is therefore not barred from being awarded a contract. If the State later determines that this certification was falsely made by the Vendor, the Vendor acknowledges that the State may declare the Contract void (30 ILCS 500/50-14).

5.11 Vendor has not paid any money or valuable thing to induce any person to refrain from bidding on a State contract, nor has Vendor accepted any money or other valuable thing, or acted upon the promise of same, for not bidding on a State contract (30 ILCS 500/50-25).

5.12 Vendor is not in violation of the "Revolving Door" section of the Illinois Procurement Code (30 ILCS 500/50-30).

5.13 Vendor will report to the Illinois Attorney General and the Chief Procurement Officer any suspected collusion or other anti-competitive practice among any bidders, offerors, contractors, proposers or employees of the State (30 ILCS 500/50-40, 50-45, 50-50).

5.14 In accordance with the Steel Products Procurement Act, steel products used or supplied in the performance of a contract for public works shall be manufactured or produced in the United States, unless the executive head of the procuring agency grants an exception (30 ILCS 565).

5.15 Vendor will, pursuant to the Drug Free Workplace Act, provide a drug free workplace and Vendor and its employees shall not engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of a controlled substance during the performance of the Contract. This certification applies to contracts of \$5000 or more with individuals; and to entities with 25 or more employees (30 ILCS 580).

5.16 Neither Vendor nor any substantially owned affiliate is participating or shall participate in an international boycott in violation of the U.S. Export Administration Act of 1979 or the applicable regulations of the U.S. Department of Commerce. This certification applies to contracts that exceed \$10,000 (30 ILCS 582).

5.17 Vendor has not been convicted of the offense of bid rigging or bid rotating or any similar offense of any state or of the United States (720 ILCS 5/33 E-3, E-4).

5.18 Vendor complies with the Illinois Department of Human Rights Act and rules applicable to public contracts, including equal employment opportunity, refraining from unlawful discrimination, and having written sexual harassment policies (775 ILCS 5/2-105).

5.19 Vendor does not pay dues to, or reimburse or subsidize payments by its employees for any dues or fees to any "discriminatory club" (775 ILCS 25/2).

5.20 Vendor complies with the State Prohibition of Goods from Forced Labor Act, and certifies that no foreign-made equipment, materials, or supplies furnished to the State under the Contract have been or will be produced in whole or in part by forced labor, or indentured labor under penal sanction (30 ILCS 583).

5.21 Vendor certifies that no foreign-made equipment, materials, or supplies furnished to the State under the Contract have been produced in whole or in part by the labor or any child under the age of 12 (30 ILCS 584).

5.22 Vendor certifies that it is not in violation of Section 50-14.5 of the Illinois Procurement Code (30 ILCS 500/50-14.5) that states: "Owners of residential buildings who have committed a willful or knowing violation of the Lead Poisoning Prevention Act (410 ILCS 45) are prohibited from doing business with the State until the violation is mitigated".

5.23 Vendor warrants and certifies that it and, to the best of its knowledge, its subcontractors have and will comply with Executive Order No. 1 (2007). The Order generally prohibits Vendors and subcontractors from hiring the then-serving Governor's family members to lobby procurement activities of the State, or any other unit of government in Illinois including local governments if that procurement may result in a contract valued at over \$25,000. This prohibition also applies to hiring for that same purpose any former State employee who had procurement authority at any time during the one-year period preceding the procurement lobbying activity.

5.24 Vendor has disclosed if required, on forms provided by the State, and agrees it is under a continuing obligation to disclose to the State, financial or other interests (public or private, direct or indirect) that may be a potential conflict of interest or which would prohibit Vendor from having or continuing the Contract. This includes, but is not limited to conflicts under the "Infrastructure Task Force Fee Prohibition" section of the State Finance Act (30 ILCS 105/8.40), Article 50 of the Illinois Procurement Code (30 ILCS 500/50), or those which may conflict in any manner with the Vendor's obligation under this Contract. Vendor shall not employ any person with a conflict to perform under this Contract. If any elected or appointed State officer or employee, or the spouse or minor child of same has any ownership or financial interest in the Vendor or the Contract, Vendor certifies it has disclosed that information to the State if required, on forms provided by the State, and any waiver of the conflict has been issued in accordance with applicable law and rule. A waiver is required if:

a) the person intending to contract with the State, their spouse or child: (i) holds an elective office in Illinois; (ii) holds a seat in the Illinois General Assembly; (iii) is an officer or employee of the Capital Development Board or the Illinois Toll Highway Authority; or holds an appointed position or is employed in any of the offices or agencies of the State government and who receives compensation for such employment in excess of 60% of the salary of the Governor (currently \$106,447.20). (The conflict of interest threshold of 60% of the Governor's salary set forth in Section 50-13 does not apply to elective office holders, legislators, and officers or employees of the Capital Development Board or the Illinois Toll Highway Authority.);

b) the contract is with a firm, partnership, association or corporation in which a person referenced in a) above receives more than 7.5% of the total distributable income or an amount in excess of the salary of the Governor (currently \$177,412.00).

c) the contract is with a firm, partnership, association or corporation in which a person referenced in b) above, together with their spouse or minor child, receives more than 15% in the aggregate of the total distributable income or an amount in excess of 2 times the salary of the Governor (currently \$354,824.00) from the firm, partnership, association or corporation.

## 6. SUPPLEMENTAL PROVISIONS

6.1 ENTIRE CONTRACT: This Contract, consisting of the signature page, sections one through six, and any attachments marked (X) below, constitutes the entire Contract between the Parties concerning the subject matter of the Contract, and supersedes all prior proposals, contracts and understandings between the Parties concerning the subject matter of the Contract. Amendments, modifications and waivers must be in writing and signed by authorized representatives of the Parties. Any provision of this Contract officially declared void, unenforceable, or against public policy, shall be ignored and the remaining provisions shall be interpreted, as far as possible, to give effect to the Parties' intent. All provisions that by their nature would be expected to survive, shall survive termination. In the event of a conflict between the State's and the Vendor's terms, conditions and attachments, the State's terms, conditions and attachments shall prevail.

\_\_\_\_\_ Definitions

\_\_\_\_\_ Public Works Requirements (820 ILCS 130/4)

\_\_\_\_\_ Prevailing Wage (janitorial cleaning, window cleaning, building and grounds, site technician, natural resources, food services, and security services, if valued at more than \$200 per month or \$2000 per year (30 ILCS 500/25-60)

\_\_\_\_\_ Prevailing Wage (all printing contracts) (30 ILCS 500/25-60)

\_\_\_\_\_ Prohibition on Contingent Fees (certain federally funded contracts)

\_\_\_\_\_ BEP Subcontracting Requirements (Utilization Plan and Letter of Intent)

\_\_\_\_\_ State Supplemental Terms and Conditions

\_\_\_\_\_ Vendor Supplemental Terms and Conditions

\_\_\_\_\_ Prior Vendor Collective Bargaining Contractor

*This applies if the prior Vendor's employees who perform the services under the prior contract are covered by a collective bargaining contract. In accordance with Illinois law (30 ILCS 500/25-80), in order to be considered a responsible bidder and eligible for award you must: (a) offer to assume the collective bargaining obligations of the prior employer, including any existing collective bargaining agreement with the bargaining representative of any existing collective bargaining unit or units performing substantially similar work to the services covered by the contract subject to its offer, and (b) offer employment to all employees currently employed in any existing bargaining unit performing substantially similar work that will be performed under this contract. You are certifying you will comply with this law.*

\_\_\_\_\_ Information Technology Requirements

*As required by Illinois Public Act 095-0307, all information technology, including electronic information, software, systems, and equipment, developed or provided under this contract must comply with the applicable requirements of the Illinois Information Technology Accessibility Act Standards as posted at <http://www.dhs.state.il.us/iitaa>.*

\_\_\_\_\_ Other (describe)