



Purchasing Services

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

TITLE: OFF-SITE ANIMAL HUSBANDRY SERVICES

RFP NUMBER: P12-052

DATE ISSUED: DECEMBER 19, 2011

DUE DATE: JANUARY 19, 2012

TIME: 2:00 PM

**LOCATION: UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND DENTISTRY
OF NEW JERSEY –
DEPARTMENT OF PURCHASING SERVICES
LIBERTY PLAZA
335 George Street, 2nd Floor
New Brunswick, New Jersey 08903**

Important Note: Bidders should check Section 1.3 of this document to verify if attendance at a mandatory event (e.g., pre-bid conference, site visit, etc.) is required for this procurement. Failure to attend a mandatory event shall result in the rejection of your proposal.

In accordance with the requirements of this proposal, the undersigned offers and agrees, if their proposal is accepted, to furnish any and all services for which the prices are submitted in accordance with the attached conditions as specified in this proposal.

BIDDER'S NAME, ADDRESS,
AND FEIN

SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF
AUTHORIZED INDIVIDUAL

Name (signature)

Name (print)

Title

1.0 INFORMATION FOR BIDDERS

1.1 Purpose and Intent of the Procurement

1.1.1 Purpose

This Request for Proposal (RFP) is being issued by the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ), Department of Purchasing Services on behalf of the Department of Cell Biology and Molecular Medicine of the New Jersey Medical School.

UMDNJ is committed to obtaining the best value when it purchases good and services. UMDNJ must achieve value while operating in full compliance with all applicable State of New Jersey and University procurement regulations and policies. The Office of Supply Chain Management, comprised of the Departments of Purchasing Services and Contract Management, oversees the procurement process at UMDNJ and is interested in contracting with one firm who will provide off-site animal husbandry services.

The purpose of this RFP is to enter into a Contract to provide off-site animal husbandry services.

1.1.2 Intent

The intent of UMDNJ through this RFP is to award one Contract to provide off-site animal husbandry services to the responsive bidder whose bid proposal conforms to the requirements of this RFP and is most advantageous to UMDNJ, price and other factors considered.

1.2 Background

UMDNJ is the nation's largest freestanding public health sciences university. It includes eight (8) schools on five (5) campuses. It is a statewide system of health sciences education, biomedical research and healthcare delivery. UMDNJ was founded in 1970 to consolidate New Jersey's health professions education and during the last two decades it has become the core of the state's healthcare delivery system. Additional information about the University, its multiple locations, schools and healthcare facilities is available at: <http://www.umdj.edu/homepage/index.html>

The University Hospital is a 519-bed acute care hospital owned and operated by UMDNJ and located in the Central Ward of Newark. As the primary teaching hospital of the New Jersey Medical School in Newark, the hospital is committed to the provision of high quality patient care, medical education, clinical research and community service.

With an active medical staff of 790, The University Hospital is an integral part of the largest medical teaching program in the state, and trains 308 medical residents from the New Jersey Medical School's Graduate Medical Education programs. Medical education occurs in virtually every clinical specialty. The hospital also serves as the focus for other schools of the University providing on-site training for the New Jersey Dental School, School of Nursing, and School of Health Related Professions and Allied Health.

While the University Hospital serves as a referral center for many of the state's most advanced medical services and specialty care programs, The University Hospital is also a major source of primary care and serves as a safety net hospital for the Greater Essex Community and the State of New Jersey. The hospital operates over 50 different outpatient clinics and programs. In fiscal year 2007, The University Hospital had 221,371 ambulatory care visits, 22,192 inpatient admissions, 14,003 surgery procedures, 1,926 deliveries and 92,169 emergency room visits.

The University Hospital provides a significant number of jobs within its operations for minorities and for residents of its local community. Its roots are in the Newark Agreements signed in 1968 guaranteeing training and jobs for the community in exchange for land committed to medical college development. With an annual budget of approximately \$600M, The University Hospital is one of the largest employers in the City of Newark and is committed to serving as one of the region's economic stabilizers.

The Department of Cell Biology and Molecular Medicine ranked in the top 5% of peer departments across the nation based on NIH funding in 2010. This is the highest national ranking of any department of any school at UMDNJ. This department's 2010 ranking based on NIH funding surpassed peer departments at Duke, NYU, Stanford, Yale, Michigan, Johns Hopkins, Cornell, Tufts, Emory, Boston University, Pittsburgh, UCSF, Virginia and other well-known schools.

1.3 Key Events

1.3.1 Questions and Inquiries

It is the policy of the UMDNJ, Purchasing Services to accept only written questions and inquiries from all bidders receiving this RFP. Written questions should be e-mailed, mailed or faxed to UMDNJ, Purchasing Services to the attention of the assigned buyer at the following address:

UMDNJ, DEPARTMENT OF PURCHASING SERVICES
335 GEORGE STREET, 2ND FLOOR
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY 08903
ATTN: Marcela Crisetti
Buyer's Phone Number: 732-235-9533
Buyer's Fax Number: 732-235-9766
E-mail: crisetma@umdnj.edu

1.3.2 Question Protocol

Questions should be submitted in writing to the attention of the assigned UMDNJ, Purchasing Services buyer. Questions should be asked in consecutive order, from beginning to end, following the organization of the RFP. Each question should begin by referencing the RFP page number and Section number to which it relates.

Bidders shall not contact any person within the University directly, in person, or by telephone, other than the assigned buyer, concerning this RFP.

1.3.3 Cut-Off Date for Questions and Inquiries

The cut-off time for questions and inquiries relating to this Request for Proposal is at the conclusion of the pre-bid conference. While all questions will be entertained at the pre-bid conference, it is strongly urged that questions be submitted in writing prior to the pre-bid conference. Written questions must be faxed or emailed to the Department of Purchasing Services' Buyer indicated under Section 1.3.1. It is requested that bidders having long, complex or multiple-part questions submit their questions in writing as far in advance of the pre-bid conference as possible. This request is made so that answers can be prepared prior to and distributed during the pre-bid conference.

1.3.4 Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference

All bidders interested in submitting proposals are strongly encouraged to attend the non-mandatory pre-bid conference. The purpose of this conference is to provide a structured and formal opportunity for bidders to raise questions and clarify any of the proposal requirements. Also, essential information shall be given to all attendees at the non-mandatory pre-bid conference; this information may mean the difference between a responsive and a non-responsive bid. The date, time and location are provided as follows:

DATE: JANUARY 9, 2012

TIME: 10:00 AM (EASTERN TIME)

LOCATION: NEW JERSEY MEDICAL SCHOOL, 185 SO. ORANGE AVE., NEWARK, NJ,
07103, MEDICAL SCIENCES BUILDING, CONFERENCE ROOM # G609B

It is the responsibility of the bidder to identify and address any additional requirements or information needed to submit a proposal. No special consideration shall be given to any bidder, because of the bidder's failure to be knowledgeable of all the requirements of the proposal after the pre-bid conference date.

1.4 Additional Information for Bidders

1.4.1 Revisions to this RFP

In the event that it becomes necessary to clarify or revise this RFP, such clarification or revision shall be by addendum. If any addenda are issued for this procurement, it shall be distributed to all bidders who were sent the RFP and attended the mandatory pre-bid conference.

1.4.2 Addendum as a Part of this RFP

Any addendum to this RFP shall become part of this RFP and part of any Contract resulting from this RFP.

1.4.3 Issuing Office

This RFP is issued by the UMDNJ, Department of Purchasing Services. The buyer noted in Section 1.4.1 is the sole point of contact between the bidder and UMDNJ for purposes of this RFP.

1.4.4 Bidder Responsibility

The bidder assumes sole responsibility for the complete effort required in this RFP. By submitting a proposal in response to this RFP, the bidder represents that it has satisfied itself, from its own investigation, of all the requirements of this RFP. UMDNJ is not responsible for any debts or payments incurred by the bidder in the performance of this Contract.

1.4.5 Cost Liability

UMDNJ assumes no responsibility and bears no liability for costs incurred by bidders in the preparation and submittal of proposals in response to this RFP.

1.4.6 Contents of Bid Proposal

The entire content of every bid proposal will be publicly opened and becomes a public record. This is the case notwithstanding any statement to the contrary made by a bidder in its bid proposal. All information submitted by bidders in response to a bid solicitation is considered public information, except as may be exempted from disclosure by the Open Public Records Act, N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq. and the common law.

A bidder may designate specific information as not subject to disclosure when the bidder has a good faith legal/factual basis for such assertion. UMDNJ reserves the right to make the determination and will advise the bidder accordingly. The location in the bid proposal of any such designation should be clearly stated in a cover letter.

UMDNJ will not honor any attempt by a bidder either to designate its entire bid proposal as proprietary and/or to claim copyright protection for its entire proposal. The bidder will be required to withdraw such designation before the bid proposal will be considered for contract award.

In the event of a challenge to the bidder's designation of confidentiality/proprietary the bidder shall be solely responsible for defending its designation and UMDNJ shall have no responsibility therefore.

1.4.7 Price Alterations

Bid prices must be typed or written in ink. Any price changes (including "white-outs") must be initialed. Failure to initial price changes may preclude an award being made to the bidder.

1.4.8 Joint Venture

If a joint venture is submitting a bid, the agreement between the parties relating to such joint venture should be submitted with the joint venture's proposal. Authorized signatories from each party comprising the joint venture must sign the bid proposal. A separate Ownership Disclosure Form, Affirmative Action Employee Information Report and, if applicable, foreign (out of State) corporate registration must be supplied by each party to the joint venture.

1.4.9 HIPAA Compliance

Not applicable to this Contract.

1.4.10 Business Registration Notice

All New Jersey and out of State business organizations must obtain a Business Registration Certificate (BRC) from the Department of the Treasury, Division of Revenue, prior to conducting business with the State of New Jersey. Proof of valid business registration must be submitted by a bidder with its bid proposal. The business registration form (Form NJ-REG) can be found online at https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/dcr/reg/sos_dcrnew01.prod.htm

1.4.10.1 Definitions

“Affiliate” means any entity that (1) directly, indirectly, or constructively controls another entity, (2) is directly, indirectly, or constructively controlled by another entity, or (3) is subject to the control of a common entity. An entity controls another entity if it owns, directly or individually, more than 50% of the ownership in that entity.

“Business organization” means an individual, partnership, association, joint stock company, trust, corporation, or other legal business entity or successor thereof.

“Business registration” means a business registration certificate issued by the Department of the Treasury or such other form or verification that a contractor or subcontractor is registered with the Department of Treasury.

“Contractor” means a business organization that seeks to enter, or has entered into, a contract to provide goods or services with a contracting agency.

“Contracting agency” means the principal departments in the Executive Branch of the State Government, and any division, board, bureau, office, commission or other instrumentality within or created by such department, or any independent State authority, commission, instrumentality or agency, or any State college or university, any county college, or any local unit.

“Subcontractor” means any business organization that is not a contractor that knowingly provides goods or performs services for a contractor or another subcontractor in the fulfillment of a contract.

1.4.10.2 Requirements Regarding Business Registration Form

A contractor shall submit a copy of its business registration at the time of submission of its bid proposal in response to this RFP.

A subcontractor shall provide a copy of its business registration to any contractor who shall forward it to the contracting agency. No contract with a subcontractor shall be entered into by any contractor unless the subcontractor first provides proof of valid business registrations.

The contractor shall provide written notice to all subcontractors that they are required to submit a copy of their business registration to the contractor. The contractor shall maintain a list of the names of any subcontractors and their current addresses, updated as necessary during the course of the contract performance. The contractor shall submit to the contracting agency a copy of the list of subcontractors, updated as necessary during the course of performance of the contract. The contractor shall submit a complete and accurate list of the subcontractors to the contracting agency before a request for final payment is made to the using agency.

The contractor and any subcontractor providing goods or performing services under the contract, and each of their affiliates, shall, during the term of the contract, collect and remit to the Director of the Division of Taxation in the Department of Treasury the use tax due pursuant to the "Sales and Use Tax Act, P.L. 1966, c. 30 (N.J.S.A. 54:32B-1 et seq.) on all their sales of tangible personal property delivered into the State.

1.4.11 Deficit Reduction Act

The University of Medicine and Dentistry is committed to the prevention and detection of any fraud, waste, and abuse within the University related to all health care programs, including Federal and State programs. To this end, UMDNJ maintains a vigorous compliance program geared in part to educating our community on the range of fraud and abuse laws, including the importance of submitting accurate claims and reports to the Federal and State governments. Our policies prohibit the knowing submission of a false claim for payment in relation to any health care program, including a Federal or State funded health care program. Such a submission is a violation of Federal and State law and can result in significant administrative and civil penalties under the Federal and State False Claims Acts.

To assist UMDNJ in meeting its legal and ethical obligations, any employee, contractor or agent who is aware of the preparation or submission of a false claim or report or reasonably suspects any other potential fraud, waste, or abuse in relation to a Federal or State funded health care program is required to report such information to his or her supervisor and UMDNJ's Office of Ethics and Compliance. Any employee of UMDNJ who in good faith reports such information will be protected against retaliation for coming forward with such information both under UMDNJ's internal compliance policies and procedures and United States and New Jersey law.

As an organization, UMDNJ obligates itself to investigate any such information swiftly and thoroughly through its internal compliance programs and mechanisms. Nonetheless, if an employee, contractor or agent believes that the organization's response is deficient and

unresponsive, the employee shall bring these concerns to UMDNJ's Office of Ethics and Compliance. If such follow-up still does not trigger an investigation, after a reasonable period of time, the employee, contractor or agent has the ability to bring his/her concerns to the appropriate government agency under the relevant Federal and/or State laws.

This information shall be provided to all UMDNJ employees and all contractors and agents of UMDNJ.

1.4.12 Federal and State Laws and Regulations Regarding Healthcare

The University is committed to compliance with all federal and state regulations regarding healthcare, including but not limited to licensing, Stark and anti-kickback laws, Medicare and Medicaid regulations. All goods and/or services provided under this RFP and the Contract award under this RFP must comply with all applicable laws. In addition, if a violation comes to the attention of either party, or any changes in the laws or regulations occurs which make the Contract entered into between the parties as a result of this RFP, to be in violation of any applicable law, then the agreement shall be amended to address the violation or to comply with the change, or be terminated if amending will not resolve the violation.

2.0 DEFINITIONS

The following definitions shall be part of any contract awarded or order placed as a result of this RFP:

“Addendum” – Written clarification or revision to this RFP issued by UMDNJ, Purchasing Services.

“Amendment” – A change in scope of work to be performed by the contractor. An amendment is not effective until it is signed by the Vice President for Supply Chain Management.

“Bidder” – An individual or business entity submitting a bid in response to this RFP.

“Contract” – This RFP, any addendum to this RFP, and the bidder’s proposal submitted in response to this RFP and UMDNJ’s Contract Term Sheet.

“Contractor” – The Contractor is the bidder awarded a contract.

“Evaluation Committee” – A committee established to review and evaluate bid proposals submitted in response to this RFP and to recommend a contract award to the Manager of Purchasing Services.

“HIPAA” – Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996.

“Manager” – The Manager of Purchasing Services; the contracting officer of UMDNJ.

“May” – Denotes that which is permissible, not mandatory.

“Project” – The undertaking of services that are the subject of this RFP.

“Request for Proposal (RFP)” – This document, which establishes the bidding and contract requirements and solicits proposals to meet the purchase needs as identified herein.

“Shall” or “Must” – Denotes that which is a mandatory requirement. Failure to meet a mandatory requirement shall result in the rejection of a bid proposal due to being materially non-responsive.

“Should” – Denotes that which is recommended, not mandatory.

“Subtasks” – Detailed activities that comprise the actual performance of a task.

“Task” – A discrete unit of work to be performed.

“UMDNJ” – The University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, or otherwise referred to as the “University.”

3.0 SCOPE OF WORK/COMMODITY DESCRIPTION

The Department of Cell Biology and Molecular Medicine of The New Jersey Medical School owns one or more colonies of transgenic mice and is seeking to contract with one vendor who will provide off-site animal husbandry services for these UMDNJ-owned transgenic mice.

The Department of Cell Biology and Molecular Medicine shall ship the mice colonies to the Contracted vendor on an as-needed basis throughout the term of the Contract. UMDNJ shall pay the shipping and freight costs to deliver the colonies to the Contracted vendor.

The Department of Cell Biology and Molecular Medicine shall not be required to ship any specific number of mice by any specific date.

Instructions: The bidder must respond to each requirement with sufficient detail to demonstrate its ability or capability to satisfy the requirements of each section.

3.1 Barrier Housing Requirements

- a) The Contractor shall house the transgenic mice in an Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care (AAALAC)-accredited barrier facility in accordance with the Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals, 8th Ed. (2011).

- b) The Contractor shall apply strict conditions to keep the facility Specific Pathogen Free and to provide a barrier environment for the housing of the transgenic mice.

- c) The Contractor shall house the transgenic mice in climate-controlled rooms, i.e. heated, humidity-controlled and air-conditioned.

- d) The Contractor shall perform the following services on and for the transgenic mice:
 - Change the cages weekly

- Wash the cages weekly
 - Make clean cages available for transportation
 - Receive shipments
 - Transfer to cages to assigned rooms utilizing disinfected forceps
 - Feed and water daily
 - Check health daily
 - Monitor cage and room environmental conditions daily
 - Clean and maintain the rooms, the equipment, and the facilities daily
- e) The Contractor shall house the transgenic mice in micro-isolator units similar or equivalent to Animal Care Systems, Inc.'s M.I.C.E.[®] (Micro-environmental comfort Isolation Containment Enrichment)[®] Caging System fitted with an air filtration membrane.
- f) The Contractor shall ensure that the M.I.C.E. [®] Cages are plugged into a ventilation unit that maintains a continuous filtered airflow through the cages thus preventing pathogen contamination.
- g) The Contractor shall ensure that all work done on or with the transgenic mice is to be performed utilizing aseptic techniques in a laminar flow hood.
- h) The Contractor shall ensure that the M.I.C.E. [®] Cages water system is filtered by reverse osmosis in accordance with the *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals*, 8th Ed. (2011).

- i) The Contractor shall maintain strict barrier sanitation of caging equipment through tunnel washers and restricted entry.

3.2 Transgenic Mice Feeding, Watering and Bedding Requirements

- a) The Contractor shall feed the transgenic mice pasteurized and/or sterilized, autoclaved and/or irradiated Purina Rodent Chow, cat # 5053 or equivalent.

- b) The Contractor shall water the transgenic mice with reverse osmosis purified drinking water.

- c) The Contractor shall utilize steam sterilized bedding.

3.3 Genotyping and Breeding Requirements

- a) Upon written request by the Department of Cell Biology and Molecular Medicine's authorized representative, the Contractor shall perform DNA extraction and PCR for genotyping. UMDNJ shall provide a list of authorized representatives at time of Contract award.

- b) Upon request by and instructions from the Department of Cell Biology and Molecular Medicine, the Contractor shall breed specific mating combinations of transgenic mice.

- c) The Contractor shall euthanize selected offspring as instructed by the Department of Cell Biology and Molecular Medicine. Additionally, the Contractor shall periodically evaluate all cages to minimize cage usage and maintain colony size.

3.4 Transgenic Mice and Cage Counting Requirements

- a) The Contractor shall maintain accurate inventory counts of the transgenic mice on a weekly basis. The Contractor shall send an MS Excel spreadsheet to the Department of Cell Biology and Molecular Medicine detailing the inventory on a weekly basis.
- b) The Contractor shall include the following information in its weekly inventory count report:
 - 1. Cage identification
 - 2. Protocol number
 - 3. Genotype
 - 4. Dates of birth
 - 5. Number of males
 - 6. Number of females
 - 7. Weaning date
 - 8. Monthly totals

3.5 Shipping Requirements

- a) Upon written request by the Department of Cell Biology and Molecular Medicine's authorized representative, the Contractor shall ship specific transgenic mice to the Department of Cell Biology and Molecular Medicine. No animals shall be shipped to UMDNJ without the prior approval of the Attending Veterinarian (or designee) or authorized representative. UMDNJ shall provide a list of authorized representatives at time of Contract award.

- b) The Contractor shall adhere to strict protocols in accordance with applicable Federal and State laws in shipping transgenic mice to UMDNJ.

- c) The Contractor shall ship transgenic mice in accordance with the latest edition of the *Guidelines for the Humane Transportation of Research Animals* (Institute for Laboratory Animal Research).

- d) The Contractor shall ensure that a veterinarian examines and certifies the health of the transgenic mice prior to shipment. Additionally, specific diagnostic tests on the transgenic mice may be required by the Department of Cell Biology and Molecular Medicine prior to shipment.

3.6 Accreditation

The Contractor shall be AAALAC certified and shall include with its bid proposal its current AAALAC certification.

4.0 SPECIAL CONTRACTUAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

4.1 Contract Term and Extension Option

4.1.1 Contract Term

The Contract shall be awarded for two (2) years commencing from the date of award. If delays in the bid process result in an adjustment of the anticipated Contract effective date, the bidder agrees to accept a Contract for the full term of the Contract.

4.1.2 Contract Extension Option

This Contract may be extended for three (3) one-year (1-year) option periods. Any extension of this Contract under this provision will be put into effect by mutual agreement between the University and the Contractor, with written notification being provided to the Contractor by the University. **The Contractor's firm and fixed costs may be adjusted at the end of the Contract term period. The adjustment shall not exceed 3% (three percent) of the Contract term cost.** All other original terms and conditions shall remain in effect for any extension year period.

4.2 Contract Transition

In the event services end by either contract expiration or termination, it shall be incumbent upon the Contractor to continue services, if requested by the Vice President of Supply Chain Management, until new services can be completely operational. The Contractor acknowledges its responsibility to cooperate fully with the replacement Contractor and UMDNJ to ensure a smooth and timely transition to the replacement Contractor. Such transitional period shall not extend more than ninety (90) days beyond the expiration date of the contract, or any extension thereof. The Contractor will be reimbursed for services during the transitional period at the rate in effect when the transitional period clause is invoked by UMDNJ.

4.3 Precedence of the University's Standard Terms and Conditions

See **Exhibit A** for UMDNJ's Standard Terms and Conditions at http://www.umdny.edu/purchweb/words_download/t&csectionA_20100310.pdf

The Contract resulting from this procurement shall consist of this Request for Proposal, including UMDNJ's Standard Terms and Conditions, any addenda to this Request for Proposal, the Contractor's bid proposal and UMDNJ's signed Contract Term Sheet.

In the event of a conflict between the provisions of this Request for Proposal, including UMDNJ's Standard Terms and Conditions in Exhibit B, any addenda to this Request for Proposal, and the bidder's proposal, the Request for Proposal and/or the addenda shall govern.

Unless specifically noted within this Request for Proposal, UMDNJ's Standard Terms and Conditions take precedence over the Special Terms and Conditions contained in this Section of the Request for Proposal. The Standard Terms and Conditions in effect for this procurement is attached as Exhibit A to this Request for Proposal.

4.4 Insurance

These insurance requirements take precedence over the insurance requirements set forth in the Standard Terms and Conditions.

The contractor shall assume all responsibility for his actions and those of anyone else working for him while engaged in any activity connected with this contract. The contractor shall carry sufficient insurance to protect him and UMDNJ from any property damage or bodily injury claims arising out of the contracted work. Evidence of current insurance coverage shall be provided in the form of a certificate of insurance which shall be submitted no later than ten (10) days after receipt of notice of intent to award contract. This certificate of insurance should include the bid proposal number. **IN ORDER TO PREVENT ANY UNNECESSARY DELAY, VENDORS MAY SUBMIT EVIDENCE OF REQUIRED INSURANCE WITH THEIR BID PROPOSALS.**

- (1) Workers' Compensation Insurance applicable to the laws of the State of New Jersey and Employer's Liability Insurance as required by applicable State and Federal Law.
- (2) Commercial General Liability Policy as broad as the standard coverage form currently in use in the State of New Jersey which shall not be circumscribed by any endorsements limiting the breadth of coverage. The policy shall include an endorsement (broad form) for contractual liability and completed operations, and shall include the UMDNJ, as an additional insured. Limits of liability shall not be less than \$1,000,000.00 per person and \$3,000,000.00 aggregate for bodily injury and not less than \$500,000.00 per occurrence for property damage liability.
- (3) Automobile Liability Policy covering owned, non-owned and hired vehicles with minimum limits of \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence for bodily injury liability and \$200,000.00 per occurrence for property damage liability.
- (4) Property Insurance - The Contractor shall provide evidence of its All Risk Property Insurance Policy covering all of its personal property, trade fixtures, furnishings and equipment and contents stored on behalf of the University in an amount not less than the full replacement cost of all such property.

INDEMNIFICATION:

The Contractor shall assume all risk of and responsibility for, and agrees to indemnify, defend, and save harmless the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey and its employees from and against any and all claims, demands, suits, actions, recoveries, judgments and cost and expenses in connection therewith on account of the loss of life, property, or injury or damage to

the person, body of property of any person or persons whatsoever including the UMDNJ , its agents, servants or employees, which shall arise from or result directly or indirectly from the services and/or materials supplied under the contract. This indemnification obligation is not limited by, but is in addition to the insurance obligations contained in this agreement. This agreement shall be subject to all the provisions of the New Jersey Tort Claims Act N.J.S.A. 59:1-1 et, Seq., and all other laws applicable to the parties involved.

All required insurance coverage's must be in effect no later than 12:01 a.m. at the start of the day of the contract and remain in effect for the duration of the contract, including any extensions.

4.5 Departure From Bid Specifications or Terms and Conditions

Notwithstanding the forgoing, a bidder's proposal may be deemed **NON-COMPLIANT AND BE REJECTED** and/or be found **non-responsive** if the change is a material departure from the bid specifications or the terms and conditions of this Request for Proposal. A material departure occurs when the change increases the likelihood that the waiver from compliance with the Request for Proposal is capable of giving the appearance of corruption or favoritism, or encouraging excessive spending or is likely to affect the amount or price of the bid or to influence any potential bidder to refrain from bidding or is capable of affecting the ability of the University to make a bid comparison, or is unacceptable to the University. The determination of material departure shall be in the sole discretion of the University.

4.6 Contract Amendment

Any changes or modifications to the terms of the Contract shall only be valid when they have been reduced to writing and executed by the Contractor and the Vice President of Supply Chain Management.

4.7 Contractor Responsibilities

The Contractor shall have sole responsibility for the complete effort specified in the Contract. UMDNJ is not responsible for any debts or payments incurred by the Contractor in the performance of this Contract. Payment will be made only to the Contractor. The Contractor shall have sole responsibility for all payments due to any subcontractor.

The Contractor is responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy and timely completion and submission of all deliverables, services or commodities required to be provided under the contract. The Contractor shall, without additional compensation, correct or revise any errors, omissions, or other deficiencies in its deliverables and other services. The approval of deliverables furnished under this contract shall not in any way relieve the Contractor of responsibility for the technical adequacy of its work. The review, approval, acceptance or payment for any of the services shall not be construed as a waiver of any rights that UMDNJ may have arising out of the Contractor's performance of this contract.

4.8 Substitution of Staff

If it becomes necessary for the Contractor to substitute any management, supervisory or key personnel, the Contractor will identify the substitute personnel and the work to be performed.

The Contractor must provide detailed justification documenting the necessity for the substitution. Résumés must be submitted evidencing that the individual(s) proposed as substitution(s) have qualifications and experience equal to or better than the individual(s) originally proposed or currently assigned.

The Contractor shall forward a request to substitute staff to the Vice President of Supply Chain Management, through the University's Project Manager, for consideration and approval. No substitute personnel are authorized to begin work until the Contractor has received written approval to proceed from the Vice President of Supply Chain Management, through the University's Project Manager.

4.9 Substitution or Addition of Subcontractor(s)

If it becomes necessary for the Contractor to substitute and/or add a subcontractor, the Contractor will identify the proposed new subcontractor and the work to be performed. The Contractor must provide detailed justification documenting the necessity for the substitution or addition.

The Contractor must provide detailed résumés of the proposed subcontractor's management, supervisory and other key personnel that demonstrate knowledge ability and experience relevant to that part of the work, which the subcontractor is to undertake.

In the event a subcontractor is proposed as a substitution, the proposed subcontractor must equal or exceed the qualifications and experience of the subcontractor being replaced. In the event the subcontractor is proposed as an addition, the proposed subcontractor's qualifications and experience must equal or exceed that of a similar subcontractor proposed by the Contractor in its bid proposal.

The Contractor shall forward a request to substitute/add a subcontractor to the Vice President of Supply Chain Management, through the University's Project Manager, for consideration and approval. No substitution or addition of a subcontractor is authorized until the Contractor has received written approval to proceed from the Vice President of Supply Chain Management, through the University's Project Manager.

4.10 Ownership of Material

All data, technical information, gathered, oriented, developed, prepared, used or obtained in the performance of the contract, including, but not limited to, all reports, surveys, plans, charts, literature, brochures, mailings, recordings (video and/or audio), pictures, drawings, analyses, graphic representations, software computer programs and accompanying documentation and print-outs, notes and memoranda, written procedures and documents, regardless of the state of completion, which are prepared for or are a result of the services required under this contract

shall be and remain the property of UMDNJ and shall be delivered to UMDNJ upon 30 days notice by UMDNJ.

With respect to software computer programs and/or source codes developed for UMDNJ, the work shall be considered “work for hire,” i.e., UMDNJ, not the Contractor or subcontractor, shall have full and complete ownership of all software computer programs and/or source codes developed. To the extent that any of such may not, by operation of the law, be a work made for hire in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, Contractor or subcontractor hereby assigns to UMDNJ all right, title and interest in and to any such material, and the UMDNJ shall have the right to obtain and hold in its own name and copyrights, registrations and any other proprietary rights that may be available.

Should the bidder anticipate bringing pre-existing intellectual property into the project, the intellectual property must be identified in the bid proposal. Otherwise, the language in the first paragraph of this section prevails. If the bidder identifies such intellectual property ("Background IP") in its bid proposal, then the Background IP owned by the bidder on the date of the contract, as well as any modifications or adaptations thereto, remain the property of the bidder. Upon contract award, the bidder or contractor shall grant UMDNJ a non-exclusive, perpetual royalty free license to use any of the bidder/contractor's Background IP delivered to the UMDNJ for the purposes contemplated by the contract.

4.11 Data Confidentiality

All financial, statistical, personnel and/or technical data supplied by UMDNJ to the Contractor are confidential. The Contractor is required to use reasonable care to protect the confidentiality of such data. Any use, sale or offering of this data in any form by the Contractor, or any individual or entity in the Contractor's charge or employ, will be considered a violation of this contract and may result in contract termination and the Contractor's suspension or debarment from UMDNJ contracting. In addition, such conduct may be reported to the State Attorney General for possible criminal prosecution.

4.12 News Releases

The Contractor is not permitted to issue news releases pertaining to any aspect of the services being provided under this contract without prior written consent of the Vice President of Supply Chain Management.

4.13 Advertising

The Contractor shall not use UMDNJ's name, logos, images, or any data or results arising from this contract as a part of any commercial advertising without first obtaining the prior written consent of the Vice President of Supply Chain Management.

4.14 License and Permits

The Contractor shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect all required licenses, permits, and authorizations necessary to perform this contract. The Contractor shall supply UMDNJ with evidence of all such licenses, permits and authorizations. This evidence shall be submitted subsequent to the contract award. All costs associated with any such licenses, permits and authorizations shall have been included by the Contractor in its proposal.

4.15 Claim and Remedies

4.15.1 Claims

The following shall govern claims made by the Contractor regarding contract award rescission, interpretation, performance and/or suspension or termination.

Final decisions concerning all disputes relating to contract award rescission, interpretation performance and/or reduction, suspension or termination are to be made in a manner consistent with UMDNJ Procurement Policy. The Vice President's final decision shall be deemed a final agency action reviewable by the Superior Court of New Jersey, Appellate Division.

All claims asserted against UMDNJ by the Contractor shall be subject to the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, N.J.S.A. 59:1-1, et seq., and/or the New Jersey Contractual Liability Act, N.J.S.A. 59:13-1, et seq.

However, any claim against UMDNJ relating to a final decision by the Vice President of Supply Chain Management regarding contract award rescission, contract interpretation, Contractor performance and/or contract reduction, suspension or termination shall not accrue, and the time period for performing any act required by N.J.S.A. 59:8-8 or 59:13-5 shall not commence, until a decision is rendered by the Superior Court of New Jersey, Appellate Division (or by the Supreme Court of New Jersey, if appealed) that such final decision by the Vice President of Supply Chain Management was improper.

4.15.2 Remedies

Nothing in the contract shall be construed to be a waiver by UMDNJ of any warranty, expressed or implied, or any remedy at law or equity, except as specifically and expressly stated in writing executed by the Vice President of Supply Chain Management.

4.16 Form of Compensation and Payment

The Contractor must submit invoices to UMDNJ Accounts Payable with supporting documentation evidencing that the product and/or work for which payment is sought has been satisfactorily completed. Invoices must reference the Contract number (P12-052) and Purchase Order number and also must be in strict accordance with the prices and discounts that were submitted and accepted with this proposal. When applicable, invoices should reference the appropriate Request for Proposal price sheet line number from the Contractor's bid proposal. All invoices must be approved by UMDNJ before payment will be authorized.

UMDNJ will issue payment for goods and services within forty-five (45) days of the receipt and acceptance of goods and/or services by the using department, whichever is later. Vendors shall not submit an invoice to Accounts Payable until the vendor receives a Purchase Order from UMDNJ for the goods and/or services. Vendors shall also not date an invoice that is before the date the Purchase Order is issued by UMDNJ.

Vendors may propose a discount for payments made before the 45 day period. UMDNJ may exercise the discretion to take advantage of such early payment terms.

4.16.1 Payment for Special Projects/Additional Work

Invoices must also be submitted for any special projects, additional work or other items properly authorized and satisfactorily completed under the Contract. Invoices shall be submitted according to the payment schedule agreed upon when the work was authorized and approved. Payment can only be made for work when it has received all required written approvals and has been satisfactorily completed.

4.17 Additional Work and/or Special Projects

The Contractor shall not begin performing any additional work or special projects without first obtaining written approval from the Vice President of Supply Chain Management.

In the event that the need for additional work and/or a special project arises, UMDNJ will submit such a request to the Contractor in writing. The Contractor must present a written proposal to perform the additional work/special project to UMDNJ. The proposal should provide justification for the necessity of the additional work/special project. The relationship between the additional work/special project being requested and the work required by the Contractor under the base contract must be clearly established by the Contractor in its proposal for performing the additional work/special project. The Contractor's written proposal must provide a detailed description of the work to be performed, broken down by task and subtask. The proposal should contain details on the level of effort, including hours, labor categories, etc., necessary to complete the additional work.

The written proposal must detail the cost necessary to complete the additional work in a manner consistent with the contract. The written cost proposal must be based upon the hourly rates, unit costs or other cost elements submitted by the Contractor in the Contractor's original bid proposal submitted in response to this Request for Proposal. Whenever possible, the cost proposal should be a firm, fixed cost to perform the required work. The firm fixed price should specifically reference and be tied directly to costs submitted by the Contractor in its original bid proposal. A payment schedule, tied to successful completion of tasks and subtasks, must be included.

Upon receipt of the Contractor's written proposal, it shall be forwarded to the Vice President of Supply Chain Management for written approval. Complete documentation from the using agency, confirming the need for the additional work/special project, must be submitted.

No additional work and/or special project may commence without the Vice President of Supply Chain Management's written approval. In the event the Contractor proceeds with additional work and/or special projects without the written approval of the Vice President of Supply Chain Management, it shall be at the Contractor's sole risk. UMDNJ shall be under no obligation to pay for work done without the Vice President of Supply Chain Management's written approval.

4.18 Option to Reduce Scope of Work

UMDNJ has the option, in its sole discretion, to reduce the scope of work for any task or subtask called for under this contract. In such an event, the Vice President of Supply Chain Management shall provide advanced, written notice to the Contractor.

Upon receipt of such written notice, the Contractor will submit, within five (5) working days to the Vice President of Supply Chain Management, an itemization of the work effort already completed by task or subtasks. The Contractor shall be compensated for such work effort according to the applicable portions of its cost proposal.

4.19 Suspension of Work

The Vice President of Supply Chain Management may, for valid reason, issue a stop order directing the Contractor to suspend work under the contract for a specific time. The Contractor shall be paid until the effective date of the stop order. The Contractor shall resume work upon the date specified in the stop order or upon such other date as the Vice President of Supply Chain Management may thereafter direct in writing. The period of suspension shall be deemed added to the Contractor's approved schedule of performance. The Vice President of Supply Chain Management and the Contractor shall negotiate an equitable adjustment, if any, to the contract price.

4.20 Changes in Law

Whenever an unforeseen change in applicable law or regulation affects the services that are the subject of this contract, the Contractor shall advise the Vice President of Supply Chain Management in writing and include in such written transmittal any estimated increase or decrease in the cost of its performance of the services as a result of such change in law or regulation. The Vice President of Supply Chain Management and the Contractor shall negotiate an equitable adjustment, if any, to the contract price.

4.21 Material Safety Data Sheets

Upon request, the Contractor shall furnish material safety data sheets (MSDS), or manufacturers' equivalent information sheets, on the products and/or chemicals used in performing the services specified in this Request for Proposal to the University's Project Manager. These sheets must list complete chemical ingredients including the percentage composition of each ingredient on the mixture (down to 0.1%), the chemical abstract services numbers for those substances listed any potentially hazardous products which may give off gas during or following application. Failure to do so may constitute reason for termination of the contract.

4.22 Items Ordered and Delivered

University departments are authorized to order, and the Contractor is authorized to ship, only those items covered by the contract. If a review of orders placed by a department reveals that material other than that covered by the Contract has been ordered and delivered, such delivery shall be a violation of the terms of the Contract and may be considered, by the Vice President of Supply Chain Management, in the termination of the Contract or in the award of any subsequent Contract(s). The Vice President of Supply Chain Management may take such steps as are necessary to have the items returned by the department, regardless of the time between the date of delivery and discovery of the violation. In such event, the Contractor shall reimburse the University the full purchase price.

4.23 Timely Delivery

The Contract involves items that are necessary for the continuation of ongoing, critical services. Any delay in delivery of these items would disrupt University services and could force the University to immediately seek alternative sources of supply on an emergency basis. Timely delivery is critical to meeting the University's ongoing needs.

4.24 Chapter 51 / Executive Order 117 Compliance and 2-year Vendor Certification

In order to safeguard the integrity of State government procurement by imposing restrictions to insulate the award of State contracts from political contributions that pose the risk of improper influence, purchase of access, or the appearance thereof, Public Law 2005, c.51, was signed into law on March 22, 2005. On September 24, 2008, Governor Corzine issued Executive Order 117, which is designed to enhance New Jersey's efforts to protect the integrity of procurement decisions and increase the public's confidence in procurement. The Executive Order builds upon the provisions of Chapter 51. Pursuant to the requirements of Public Law 2005, c.51, and Executive Order 117, all bidders must submit the Two-Year Chapter 51/Executive Order 177 Vendor Certification and Disclosure of Political Contributions prior to contract award. See Section 9 of this RFP for the certification form. The form and instructions for completion of the form may be found at http://.umdnj.edu/purchweb/employees/employ36_forms_policies.htm .

Bidders should submit the Chapter 51 / Executive Order 117 and 2-year Vendor Certification with their bid proposal. If the bidder fails to submit the Chapter 51 / Executive Order 117 Certification, the bidder, if selected for contract award, must submit and comply with Chapter 51 / Executive Order 117 requirements before the contract award can be finalized.

http://www.umdnj.edu/purchweb/vendors/vendor_06_E0134.htm

4.24.1 State Treasurer Review

The State Treasurer or his designee shall review the Disclosures submitted pursuant to this section, as well as any other pertinent information concerning the contributions or reports thereof by the intended awardee, prior to award, or during the term of the contract, by the Contractor. If the State Treasurer determines that any contribution or action by the Contractor constitutes a

breach of contract that poses a conflict of interest in the awarding of the contract under this solicitation the State Treasurer shall disqualify the Business Entity from award of such contract.

4.25 New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission Requirement

The Contractor is advised of its responsibility to file an annual disclosure statement on political contributions with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC), pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 (P.L. 2005, c.271, section 3) if the Contractor receives in excess of \$50,000 from a public entity in a calendar year. It is the Contractor's responsibility to determine if filing is necessary. Failure to so file can result in the imposition of financial penalties by ELEC. Additional information about this requirement is available from ELEC at 888-313-3532 or at www.elec.state.nj.us.

4.26 Compliance Obligations

Each party certifies that it shall not violate the federal anti-kickback statute, set forth at 42 U.S.C. §1320a-7b(b) ("Anti-Kickback Statute"), or the federal "Stark Law," set forth at 42 U.S.C. § 1395nn ("Stark Law"), with respect to the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.

The Contractor has received a copy of UMDNJ's Code of Conduct and UMDNJ's Stark Law and Anti-Kickback Statute Policies and Procedures. UMDNJ's Code of Conduct is available at <http://www.umdny.edu/complweb/code/conduct.pdf>. UMDNJ's Stark Law and Anti-Kickback Statute Policies and Procedures are available at the following web addresses:

http://www.umdny.edu/oppmweb/university_policies/ethics_compliance/PDF/00-01-15-60_05.pdf;

http://www.umdny.edu/oppmweb/university_policies/ethics_compliance/PDF/00-01-15-60_10.pdf;

http://www.umdny.edu/oppmweb/university_policies/ethics_compliance/PDF/00-01-15-60_15.pdf.

Each party shall ensure that its individuals providing service under the agreement who meet the definition of "Covered Persons" as such term is defined in the "Corporate Integrity Agreement between the Office of Inspector General of the Department of Health and Human Services and the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey" available at <http://www.umdny.edu/presweb/president/UMDNJ-CIA.pdf>) shall comply with UMDNJ's Compliance Program, including the training related to the Anti-Kickback Statute and the Stark Law.

4.27 No Non-Compete Clause

The Contractor shall not enter into agreements with employees, independent contractors or any other party which contain "Not to Compete" or "Non-Competition" provisions that would in any way restrict the ability of UMDNJ to provide services in their facilities.

4.28 Foreign (out of State) Corporations

All foreign corporations receiving a notice of Contract award shall be afforded seven (7) days thereafter to register with the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury's Division of Revenue. <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/busregcert.htm>

4.29 Applicable Laws

This Contract and any and all litigation arising there from or related thereto shall be governed by the applicable laws, regulations and rules of evidence of the State of New Jersey without reference to conflict of laws principles.

4.30 Tax Exempt Status

UMDNJ is tax exempt. N.J.S.A. 54:32b-1, et. seq., exempts the material listed in this RFP from New Jersey State Sales or Use Taxes.

4.31 Late Delivery and Liquidated Damages

The Contractor must immediately advise the Vice President of Supply Chain Management of any circumstance or event that could result in the late completion of any task or subtask required to be completed on or by a certain date.

The Contractor shall not be liable for any failure or delay in performance under the Contract to the extent said failures or delays are proximately caused by causes beyond the Contractor's reasonable control and occurring without its fault or negligence, including, without limitation, failure of suppliers, subcontractors, and carriers, to substantially meet its performance obligations under the Contract, provided that, as a condition to the claim of non-liability, the Contractor shall give UMDNJ prompt written notice, with full details following the occurrence of the cause relied upon, and that the contractor must prove that it took reasonable steps to minimize delay or damages caused by foreseeable events and that the Contractor substantially fulfilled all non-excused obligations. Dates by which performance obligations are scheduled to be met will be extended for a period of time equal to the time lost due to any delay so caused.

5.0 PROPOSAL PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

5.1 General

The bidder must follow instructions contained in this Request for Proposal and in the bid cover sheet in preparing and submitting its bid proposal. The bidder is advised to read thoroughly and to follow all instructions.

The information required to be submitted in response to this Request for Proposal has been determined to be essential in the bid evaluation and contract award process. Any qualifying statements made by the bidder to the Request for Proposal's requirements could result in a determination that the bidder's proposal is materially non-responsive. Each bidder is given wide latitude in the degree of detail it elects to offer or the extent to which plans, designs, systems, processes and procedures are revealed. Each bidder is cautioned, however, that insufficient detail may result in a determination that the bid proposal is materially non-responsive or, in the alternative, may result in a low technical score being given to the bid proposal.

The bidder is instructed to clearly identify any requirement of this Request for Proposal that the bidder cannot satisfy.

5.2 Proposal Delivery and Identification

In order to be considered for award a bid proposal must arrive at the Department of Purchasing Services in accordance with the instructions on the Request for Proposal cover sheet. Bidders submitting proposals are cautioned to allow adequate delivery time to ensure timely delivery of proposals. UMDNJ regulations mandate that late proposals are ineligible for consideration. The exterior of all bid proposal packages must be labeled with the Request for Proposal identification number, final bid opening date and the buyer's name.

5.3 Number of Bid Proposal Copies

Each bidder must submit one (1) complete original bid proposal, clearly marked as the "ORIGINAL" bid proposal in hard copy (paper) format. Each bidder must also submit one (1) electronic copy of the **complete bid proposal** on a CD or flash drive. No faxed or e-mailed bid proposals are accepted. It is suggested that the bidder make and retain a complete copy of its bid proposal.

5.4 Proposal Form and Content

The proposal should follow the format indicated in the following Sections of this Request for Proposal. The bidder should limit their response to one volume, if at all possible, with that volume divided into the four (4) following subsections:

5.5 Subsection 1 – Forms

The following forms are required with bidder's proposal and shall be submitted with bidder's proposal:

5.5.1 Ownership Disclosure Form

The bidder must complete the attached Ownership Disclosure Form. A complete Ownership Disclosure Form must be received prior to, or accompanying, the bid. Failure to do so will preclude the award of a contract.

5.5.2 Business Registration Notice

All New Jersey and out of State business organizations must obtain a Business Registration Certificate (BRC) from the Department of the Treasury, Division of Revenue, prior to conducting business with the State of New Jersey. Proof of valid business registration must be submitted by a bidder with its bid proposal. Failure to submit such valid business registration with a bid will render the bid materially non-responsive. The business registration form (Form NJ-REG) can be found online at:

https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/dcr/reg/sos_dcrnew01.prod.htm

The following forms are required before Contract award and may be submitted with bidder's proposal:

5.5.3 Affirmative Action

Before contract award, the proposed contractor must submit either a New Jersey Affirmative Action Certificate, or evidence that the bidder is operating under a federally approved or sanctioned affirmative action program. The requirement is a precondition of entering into a valid and binding contract.

The intended awardee must submit a copy of a New Jersey Certificate of Employee Information, or a copy of Federal Letter of Approval verifying it is operating under a federally approved or sanctioned Affirmative Action program. Intended awardee(s) not in possession of either a New Jersey Certificate of Employee Information or a Federal Letter of Approval must complete the 29 Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (AA-302) located on the web at http://www.nj.gov/treasury/purchase/forms/AA_%20Supplement.pdf. The requirement is a precondition of entering into a valid and binding contract.

5.5.4 Business Associate Agreement

Not applicable to this Contract.

5.5.5 Executive Order 117 Compliance and Certification

Effective November 15, 2008, all UMDNJ contractors are required to comply with Executive Order 117. In the early Fall of 2008, Governor Jon S. Corzine signed Executive Order No. 117, which is designed to enhance New Jersey's efforts to protect the integrity of government contractual decisions and increase the public's confidence in government. The Executive Order

builds on the provisions of P.L. 2005, c. 51 (“Chapter 51”), which limits contributions to certain political candidates and committees by for-profit business entities that are, or seek to become, State government vendors.

Bidders should submit the Executive Order 117 Certification with their bid proposal. If the bidder fails to submit the Executive Order 117 Certification, the bidder, if selected for contract award, must submit and comply with Executive Order 117 requirements before the contract award can be finalized. The Executive Order 117 Certification with instructions may be found on the UMDNJ Purchasing Services Department’s website at: <http://www.umdj.edu/purchweb/vendors/index.htm>

5.6 Subsection 2 - Technical Response

A bidder's failure to fully, properly and accurately complete all of the information required by Section 7.0 of the RFP may result in their bid being considered non-responsive.

5.6.1 Overall Technical Approach and Plans

In narrative format, the bidder shall describe its approach and plans for accomplishing the work outlined in the Scope of Work Section, Section 3.0. The bidder must set forth its understanding of the requirements of this RFP and its ability to successfully complete the Contract. This narrative should convince UMDNJ that the bidder understands the objectives that the Contract is intended to meet, the nature of the required work and the level of effort necessary to successfully complete the Contract. The narrative should convince UMDNJ that the bidder’s general approach and plans to undertake and complete the contract are appropriate to the tasks and subtasks involved.

The bidder should also explain the system for detecting a breach in the microbial barrier in facilities for production and use of pathogen-free rodents. The bidder should describe rodent health surveillance programs and strategies for keeping rodents free of specific pathogens such as serologic tests (e.g., flow cytometric bead immunoassays, immunofluorescent assays) DNA analysis using polymerase chain reaction (PCR), microbial culture, clinical chemistry (e.g., lactate dehydrogenase virus), histopathology, or other methods. The bidder should provide examples of surveillance reports within the previous six months.

5.6.2 Contract Management

The bidder should describe its specific plans to manage, control and supervise the Contract to ensure satisfactory Contract completion according to the required schedule. The plan should include the bidder’s approach to communicate with UMDNJ, including but not limited to, status conference meetings, status reports, etc.

5.6.3 Bidder’s Management and Supervisory Personnel

The bidder should provide a complete list of all contract management and supervisory personnel to be assigned to this Contract. The bidder should also include subcontractor personnel, if

applicable. This list should identify the position/title of each individual assigned and provide a summary of each individual's function and role in the Contract.

5.6.4 Potential Problems

The bidder should set forth a summary of any and all problems that the bidder anticipates during the term of the Contract. For each problem identified, the bidder should provide its proposed solution.

5.7 Subsection 3 – Organizational Support and Experience

The bidder should include information relating to its organization, personnel, and experience, including but not limited to references, contact names and telephone numbers, and the bidder's qualifications and capabilities to perform the services required by this RFP.

5.7.1 Experience of Bidder on Contracts of Similar Size and Scope

The bidder must provide information which demonstrates that they have prior successful experience with the operation and management of and a familiarity with large educational, research, and healthcare institutions such as UMDNJ. The bidder must indicate the number of years in business and list the contracts awarded and references. Specifically, the bidder must provide information which demonstrates documented years of experience with caring for and breeding research mice, including specific experience with barrier procedures and mouse genetics.

5.7.2 Bidder's Financial Capability

The bidder must provide proof of its firm's financial capacity and capabilities to undertake and successfully provide services required under this Contract. The bidder must provide the following information:

- Length of time your firm has been in business as presently organized.
- A list of your firm's largest customers for calendar year 2011.
- A description of your firm's financial stability and economic capability to perform the requirements of this RFP.

The University reserves the right to check and evaluate the firm's financial capacity and capability by any means deemed appropriate.

5.7.3 Organizational Chart and Quality of Key Personnel

The bidder must provide an organizational chart showing key personnel, including team leaders and management personnel plus numbers of proposed staff that will be required to implement the proposed project. The bidder must provide resumes for key personnel and describe the corresponding responsibilities. Resumes of key personnel shall include:

- Formal education and training
- Length of experience with current company
- Total years of experience in the animal research industry
- Degree of applicability of education, training, and experience to the proposed satellite mouse colonies

5.8 Subsection 4 - Cost Proposal

All bidders must submit their cost proposal in accordance with the Price Sheet(s) included in Section 8.0 of this Request for Proposal. Failure to submit all information required will result in the bid being considered non-responsive. Each bidder is requested to hold its cost proposal firm for a minimum of 120 days so that an award can be made.

The bidder's cost proposal must be submitted in hard copy format and an electronic MS Excel spreadsheet. The Excel spreadsheet must be on a flash drive or compact disc and submitted with the bidder's proposal response.

ONLY price and costing information provided by the bidder in its original bid proposal submitted in response to this Request for Proposal may later be used for additional work and/or special projects to be paid against the Contract resulting from this Request for Proposal.

NOTE: The bidder's signature on the cover of this Request for Proposal guarantees that prices set forth within the preprinted price lists and/or catalogs will govern for the period of the Contract. The bidder also acknowledges that, notwithstanding any reference to price escalation clauses, FOB shipping point, and shipping charges contained in the preprinted price lists, catalogs, and/or literature, such references shall not be part of any Contract awarded as a result of this Request for Proposal.

Once submitted there can be NO alterations or modifications to the pricing of the original proposal without UMDNJ approval.

6.0 PROPOSAL EVALUATION AND CONTRACT AWARD

6.1 Evaluation Committee

Bids will be evaluated by an Evaluation Committee composed of members of affected departments together with representative(s) from the Department of Purchasing Services. Representatives from other governmental agencies may also serve on the Evaluation Committee. On occasion, the Evaluation Committee may choose to make use of the expertise of an outside consultant in an advisory role.

6.2 Oral Presentation and/or Clarification of Bids

A bidder may be required to give an oral presentation to the Evaluation Committee concerning its bid proposal. The Evaluation Committee may also require a bidder to submit written responses to questions regarding its bid.

The purpose of such communication with a bidder, either through an oral presentation or a letter of clarification, is to provide an opportunity for the bidder to clarify or elaborate on its bid. The original bid, as submitted, however, cannot be supplemented, changed, or corrected in any way during the evaluation process. No comments regarding other bids are permitted. Bidders may not attend presentations made by their competitors.

It is within the Evaluation Committee's discretion whether to require a bidder to give an oral presentation or require a bidder to submit written responses to questions regarding its bid. Action by the Evaluation Committee in this regard should not be construed to imply acceptance or rejection of a bid. The Purchasing Services' buyer is the sole point of contact regarding any request for an oral presentation or written clarification.

6.3 Evaluation Criteria

The following evaluation criteria categories, not necessarily listed in order of significance, will be used to evaluate bid proposals received in response to this Request for Proposal. The evaluation criteria categories may be used to develop more detailed evaluation criteria to be used in the evaluation process.

6.3.1 The bidder's ability to meet or exceed all requirements listed in Section 3.0.

6.3.2 The bidder's technical and detailed approach to and understanding of Section 3.0 requirements as per Section 5.6.1.

6.3.3 The bidder's financial capability as per Section 5.7.2.

6.3.4 The bidder's quality of key personnel as per Section 5.7.3.

- 6.3.5 The bidder's reputation with regards to scope of services offered, the number of years in business, annual budget, market share, market characteristics and quality of customer base.
- 6.3.6 The bidder's documented experience in successfully providing off-site animal husbandry services to institutions of similar size and scope as UMDNJ.
- 6.3.7 The bidder's systems for monitoring the health of the animals in the barrier facility and for assuring a pathogen-free environment.
- 6.3.8 The bidder's cost proposal.

6.4 University's Right to Consider Additional Information

- 6.4.1 The Vice President of Supply Chain may obtain any information determined to be appropriate regarding the ability of the bidder to supply and/or render the service required by this Request for Proposal.
- 6.4.2 The Vice President of Supply Chain may consider such other factors that, in the opinion of the Vice President, are important in evaluating the bidder's proposal and awarding Contracts as determined to be in the best interest of the University.
- 6.4.3 The University reserves the right to request all bidders to explain the method used to arrive at any or all cost or pricing figures.
- 6.4.4 When making the Contract award decision, the University may consider evidence of formal or other complaints against any bidder(s) by the University for Contracts held in the past or present by the bidder.
- 6.4.5 The University reserves the right to check the bidder's financial capacity and ability to successfully undertake and complete the services required by this Request for Proposal by any means deemed appropriate.
- 6.4.6 The University reserves the right to conduct site inspections of any facility(s) serviced by the bidder(s) to assist in judging the bidder's ability to provide the services required by this Request for Proposal. This applies to all facilities services by the bidder or any subcontractor to the bidder. This right extends to all facilities of which the University is aware, or about which it becomes aware, that the bidder is servicing, whether or not the facility is listed in the bidder's proposal.

6.5 Negotiation and Best And Final Offer (BAFO)

After evaluating bid proposals, the evaluation committee may enter into negotiations with each bidder in the competitive range, unless there are too many highly rated proposals to evaluate efficiently. In this situation, UMDNJ may limit the competitive range to the number of proposals that will permit efficient competition among the most highly rated proposals. The primary

purpose of negotiations is to maximize UMDNJ's ability to get the best value, based on the requirements and evaluation criteria set forth in the RFP. Negotiations may involve the identification of significant proposal weaknesses, ambiguities and other deficiencies that could limit a bidder's award potential, including payments. More rounds of negotiations may be held with one bidder in the competitive range than with another. Negotiations will be structured to safeguard information and ensure that all bidders in the competitive range are treated fairly. When the evaluation committee determines to conclude negotiations, all bidders in the competitive range will be so notified and advised of the time and place for submission of best and final offers. The best and final offer can modify any aspect of the bid proposal, provided mandatory RFP requirements are satisfied and further provided that the revised cost proposal is not higher than the original cost proposal. Any revised cost proposal that is not equal to or lower in cost than the original cost proposal will be rejected as non-responsive.

Evaluation of the best and final offers (BAFO) will be on the basis of cost and the evaluation criteria set forth in the RFP. If, after review of the best and final offers, clarification is required, it may be sought from the bidders. If further negotiation is desired after evaluation of the revised proposals, it will be followed by another BAFO opportunity. UMDNJ reserves the right to reassess the competitive range before proceeding with a subsequent round of negotiations and BAFO submissions and to remove from the competitive range any proposal that is no longer considered to be a leading contender for award. After evaluation of the final BAFO submissions, the evaluation committee will recommend to the Vice President for award the responsible bidder(s) whose bid proposal(s), conforming to the RFP, is most advantageous to UMDNJ, cost and other factors considered. The Vice President may accept, reject or modify the recommendation of the evaluation committee. The Vice President may negotiate further increases in costs with the selected bidder.

Negotiations will only be conducted in those circumstances where they are deemed by UMDNJ to be in UMDNJ's best interests and to maximize the UMDNJ's ability to get the best value. Therefore, bidders are advised to submit their best technical and cost proposals in response to this RFP, because UMDNJ may, after evaluation, make a contract award based on the content of these initial submissions, without further negotiation with any bidder.

All contacts, records of initial evaluations, any correspondence with bidders related to any request for clarification, negotiation or BAFO, any revised technical and/or cost proposals, the Evaluation Committee Report and the Award Recommendation, will remain confidential until a Notice of Intent to Award a contract is issued.

6.6 Contract Award

The Contract shall only be awarded after a full evaluation has been completed. Bidders who submit a proposal are not guaranteed a Contract award. The Contract shall be awarded with reasonable promptness by written notice to that responsible and responsive bidder whose bid, conforming to the Request for Proposal, will be most advantageous to UMDNJ, price and other factors considered. Any or all bids may be rejected when the Vice President of Supply Chain Management determines that it is in the public interest to do so.

6.7 Bidder's Right to Challenge a Contract Award

Except in cases of emergency, bidders have the right to protest a proposed contract award.

A bidder's protest must be submitted to the buyer of record with a copy to the Vice President of Supply Chain Management ("Vice President") within ten (10) days of receipt of notice to the bidder that it did not receive a contract award for its submitted bid proposal or notice that an award had been made to another bidder. The protest period may be shortened by the Vice President of Supply Chain Management. If the protest period is shortened or a protest period is not authorized due to emergency, all bidders will receive notice of the shortened protest period or emergency in the notice sent to bidder on the award of the contract.

Notices of Contract award under this section may be faxed, e-mailed, sent by regular mail or by any other means, excluding telephonic communication, conducive to transmitting the notice. If notice is sent by regular mail, the recipient is deemed to have received the notice three (3) days after mailing.

If a bidder files a protest to a contract award under this section, the bidder must set forth in writing with specificity the basis of the protest. At the time of the protest filing, the bidder must also submit all documentation supporting the basis of the protest. Failure to comply with these requirements may lead to rejection of the protest and UMDNJ award of the contract.

The protest will be reviewed and addressed with reasonable promptness. If deemed necessary by Vice President, a hearing may be held on the merits of the protest. In all cases, the Vice President will notify the bidder of the final determination on the protest.

7.0 BIDDER'S DATA SHEETS (FORMS TO BE COMPLETED BY BIDDER)

The bidder should fully complete and submit the following Bidder's Data Sheets. Failure to satisfactorily complete and submit the Bidder's Data Sheets may result in a determination that a bid is non-responsive resulting in rejection of the bid.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY

7.1 Contact Information

7.1.1 The bidder should provide the following contact information of the business office that will be responsible for the management of this Contract.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Business Phone Number: (____)-____-____

Business Fax Number: (____)-____-____

E-mail: _____

7.1.2 The bidder should list below the name, address and telephone number of the insurance firm from which it intends to purchase the insurance required for this contract, and a person to contact at this firm.

Name of Insurance Firm: _____

Address of insurance firm: _____

Name and telephone number of individual at the insurance company that the University may contact to verify this information:

Name: _____

Telephone Number: (____)-____-____

E-mail: _____

7.2 References: Experience of Bidder on Contracts of Similar Size and Scope

The bidder should provide three (3) current references that clearly demonstrates that they have prior successful experience with the operation and management of and a familiarity with large educational, research, and healthcare institutions such as UMDNJ. The bidder must indicate the number of years in business and list the contracts awarded and references. Specifically, the bidder must provide information which demonstrates documented years of experience with caring for and breeding research mice, including specific experience with barrier procedures and mouse genetics. The bidder must provide the following information for customers for whom the bidder is currently providing off-site animal husbandry services that are similar to those required by this Request for Proposal. These references will serve as a demonstration of the firm's ability to successfully undertake and provide the services required by this Request for Proposal.

7.2.1 Name of customer provided as reference: _____

Name of individual the UMDNJ may contact to verify this reference:

Phone number of contact person: (____)-____-_____

Length of time goods and services have been provided to this customer: _____

7.2.2 Name of customer provided as reference: _____

Name of individual the UMDNJ may contact to verify this reference:

Phone number of contact person: (____)-____-_____

Length of time goods and services have been provided to this customer: _____

7.2.3 Name of customer provided as reference: _____

Name of individual the UMDNJ may contact to verify this reference:

Phone number of contact person: (____)-____-_____

Length of time goods and services have been provided to this customer: _____

7.3 Bidders' Reputation

The bidder should provide information and/or documentation regarding its reputation with regards to scope of services offered, the number of years in business, annual budget, market share, market characteristics and quality of customer base.

7.4 Listing of All Contracts Lost or Terminated in Last Three (3) Years

The bidder should provide a list of all contracts the bidder has lost or has had terminated before the expiration date of the contract by the other party for whatever reason during the last three (3) years along with the reason why each one was lost or terminated. Include the name of a contact person and phone number for each contract lost or terminated.

7.3.1 Name of firm: _____

Name of contact person at firm: _____

Phone number of contact person: _____

Reason for termination: _____

7.3.2 Name of firm: _____

Name of contact person at firm: _____

Phone number of contact person: _____

Reason for termination: _____

7.3.3 Name of firm: _____

Name of contact person at firm: _____

Phone number of contact person: _____

Reason for termination: _____

(MAKE ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THIS SHEET, IF NECESSARY)

7.5 Bidder's Financial Capability

The bidder must provide proof of its firm's financial capacity and capabilities to undertake and successfully provide services required under this Contract. The bidder must provide the following information:

- Length of time your firm has been in business as presently organized.
- A list of your firm's 15 largest customers for calendar year 2011.
- A description of your firm's financial stability and economic capability to perform the requirements of this RFP.

7.6 Potential Problems

The bidder should include a summary of any problems it anticipates encountering in implementing or providing the services or other work elements as detailed in the Scope of Work of this Request for Proposal. The bidder should list issues or concerns which the bidder, in its judgment, feels may become problems. It is important for the bidder to convince the University of its understanding of, and ability to solve, these problem areas.

Potential Problem:

Show in a brief narrative that you understand the cause and substance of the potential problem. Be specific.

Give a specific recommendation on how to address and solve the problem.

(MAKE ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THIS SHEET, IF NECESSARY)

7.7 Bidder's Management and Supervisory Personnel

The bidder should provide a complete list of all contract management and on-site supervisory personnel to be assigned to this Contract. This list should identify the position/title of each individual assigned and provide a summary of each individual's function and role in the Contract.

1. Name of individual assigned: _____

2. Position/Title on this contract: _____

3. Proposed function/role on this contract:

1. Name of individual assigned: _____

2. Position/Title on this contract: _____

3. Proposed function/role on this contract:

(MAKE ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THIS SHEET, IF NECESSARY)

7.8 Overall Technical Approach and Plans

In narrative format, the bidder shall describe its approach and plans for accomplishing the work outlined in the Scope of Work Section, Section 3.0. The bidder must set forth its understanding of the requirements of this RFP and its ability to successfully complete the Contract. This narrative should convince UMDNJ that the bidder understands the objectives that the Contract is intended to meet, the nature of the required work and the level of effort necessary to successfully complete the Contract. The narrative should convince UMDNJ that the bidder's general approach and plans to undertake and complete the contract are appropriate to the tasks and subtasks involved.

The bidder should also explain the system for detecting a breach in the microbial barrier in facilities for production and use of pathogen-free rodents. The bidder should describe rodent health surveillance programs and strategies for keeping rodents free of specific pathogens such as serologic tests (e.g., flow cytometric bead immunoassays, immunofluorescent assays) DNA analysis using polymerase chain reaction (PCR), microbial culture, clinical chemistry (e.g., lactate dehydrogenase virus), histopathology, or other methods. The bidder should provide examples of surveillance reports within the previous six months.

(MAKE ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THIS SHEET, IF NECESSARY)

7.9 Contract Management

The bidder should describe its specific plans to manage, control and supervise the Contract to ensure satisfactory Contract completion according to the required schedule. The plan should include the bidder's approach to communicate with UMDNJ, including but not limited to, status meetings, status reports, etc.

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(MAKE ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THIS SHEET, IF NECESSARY)

7.10 Bidder's Management and Supervisory Personnel

The bidder should provide a complete list of all contract management and supervisory personnel to be assigned to this Contract. The bidder should also include subcontractor personnel, if applicable. This list should identify the position/title of each individual assigned and provide a summary of each individual's function and role in the Contract.

1. Name of individual assigned: _____

2. Position/title on this contract: _____

3. Proposed function/role on this contract:

1. Name of individual assigned: _____

2. Position/title on this contract: _____

3. Proposed function/role on this contract:

(MAKE ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THIS SHEET, IF NECESSARY)

7.11 Organizational Chart and Quality of Key Personnel

The bidder must provide an organizational chart showing key personnel, including team leaders and management personnel plus numbers of proposed staff that will be required to implement the proposed project. The bidder must provide resumes for key personnel and describe the corresponding responsibilities. Resumes of key personnel shall include:

- Formal education and training
- Length of experience with current company
- Total years of experience in the animal research industry
- Degree of applicability of education, training, and experience to the proposed satellite mouse colonies

8.0 PRICE SHEETS AND SUPPORTING DETAIL

All bidders must provide firm and fixed pricing for the Contract term of two years.

- 8.1 Complete animal husbandry services as described in Section 3.0. The bidder must submit the table below in a MS Excel Spreadsheet.

Line No.	Quantity of Mice per Cage	Cost per Cage per Day
1		\$
2		\$
3		\$
4		\$
5		\$
6		\$
Etc.		\$

- 8.2 Complete genotyping services as described in Section 3.0. The bidder must submit the table below in a MS Excel Spreadsheet.

Cost of Genotyping Services per Mouse	\$
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- 8.3 Complete breeding services as described in Section 3.0. The bidder must submit the table below in a MS Excel Spreadsheet.

Line No.	Mice Model, if applicable	Cost per Model
1		\$
2		\$
3		\$
4		\$
Etc.		\$

- 8.4 Specific diagnostic tests. The bidder must submit the table below in a MS Excel Spreadsheet.

Line No.	Name of Test	Cost per Test per Mouse
1		\$
2		\$
3		\$
4		\$
5		\$
Etc.		\$

- 8.5 Shipping, handling and freight costs – All bidders must provide a Shipping Cost Proposal in a MS Excel spreadsheet that includes all associated costs based on the number and weight of mice being shipped.

9.0 REQUIRED FORMS

9.1 The following forms shall be submitted with bidder's proposal:

- Ownership Disclosure Form
- Business Registration Certificate (BRC)
- <https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/dcr/filing/leadpg.htm>

9.2 The following forms are required before Contract award and may be submitted with bidder's proposal:

- Affirmative Action Employee Information Certificate or a copy of Federal Letter of Approval.
- Two-Year Chapter 51 / Executive Order 117 Vendor Certification and Disclosure of Political Contributions Form
- Certificate of Insurance
- Exhibit A – UMDNJ Terms and Conditions Governing All Contracts

OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM

Name of Firm: _____

INSTRUCTIONS: Provide below the names, home addresses, dates of birth, offices held and any ownership interest of all officers of the firm named above. If addition space is necessary, provide on an attached sheet.

Name	Office Held	Ownership Interest
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INSTRUCTIONS: Provide below the names, home addresses, dates of birth, and ownership interest of all individuals not listed above, and any partnerships, corporations and any other owner having a 10% or greater interest in the firm named above. If a listed owner is a corporation or partnership, provide below the same information for the holders of 10% or more interest in that corporation or partnership. If additional space is necessary, provide that information on any attached sheet. If there are no owners with 10% or more interest in your firm, enter "None" below. Complete the certification at the bottom of this form. If this form has previously been submitted to the UMDNJ, Purchasing Department in connection with another bid, indicate changes, if any, where appropriate, and complete the certification below.

Name	Office Held	Ownership Interest
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COMPLETE ALL QUESTIONS BELOW

Within the past five years has another company or corporation had a 10% or greater interest in the firm identified above? (If yes complete and attach a separate disclosure form reflecting previous ownership interests.) Yes _____ No _____

Has any person listed in this form or its attachments ever been arrested, charged, indicted, plead guilty or been convicted in a criminal or disorderly persons matter by the State of New Jersey, any other Political subdivision state or the U.S. Government? (If yes, attach a detailed explanation for each instance.) Yes _____ No _____

Has any person or entity listed in this form or its attachments ever been excluded suspended, debarred or otherwise declared ineligible by any agency of government from bidding or Contracting to provide services, labor, material or supplies? (If yes, attach a detailed explanation for each instance.) Yes _____ No _____

Are there now any criminal matters, suspension or debarment proceedings pending in which the firm and/or its officers and/or managers are involved? (If yes, attach a detailed explanation for each instance.) Yes _____ No _____

Has any federal, state or local license, permit or other similar authorization, necessary to perform the work applied for herein and held or applied for by any person or entity listed in this form, been suspended or revoked, or been the subject of any pending proceedings specifically seeking or litigating the issue of suspension or revocation? (If yes to any part of this question, attach a detailed explanation for each instance.) Yes _____ No _____

CERTIFICATION: I, being duly sworn upon my oath, hereby represent and state that the foregoing information and any attachments thereto to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge that the State of New Jersey is relying on the information contained herein and thereby acknowledge that I am under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any Contracts with the State to notify the State in writing of any changes to the answers or information contained herein. I acknowledge that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation, and if I do so, I recognize that I am subject to criminal prosecution under the law and that it will also constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with the State of New Jersey and that the State at its option, may declare any Contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

I, being duly authorized, certify that the information supplied above, including all attached pages, is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I certify that all of the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment. (Print or Type)

Date: _____ Signature _____

_____ Name _____

_____ Title _____

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION DOCUMENTATION

Dear Vendor:

As a State Agency, New Jersey State Regulations N.J.A.C. 17:27 requires us to obtain documentation regarding our vendors' "Affirmative Action" status. In order for us to be in compliance and do business with your company for the procurement of goods and services, it will be necessary for you to provide only one of the following documents with your bid/proposal response.

1. A State of New Jersey "Certificate of Employee Information Report Approval," or
2. A Form AA/302 Affirmative Action Employee Information Report, or
3. A Federal letter of approval from the Department of Labor.

Please understand the importance of this request. Although you may have already submitted this information, our files must be updated annually with current employment statistics. Your noncompliance of this request may result in suspension of any future business with your company.

Sincerely,

Purchasing Services

SUPPLIER DIVERSITY AND VENDOR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
DIVERSITY VENDOR POLICY/REQUIREMENTS

I. PURPOSE

To outline goals and action plans to support and enhance the University's vendor base toward eradicating racial, ethnic, and gender discrimination from society at large through the New Jersey Set-Aside Program.

II. DEFINITIONS

Vendor Diversity Program - The University's commitment to ensure that a fair percentage of the total purchases for supplies, equipment, services, and construction is placed with, small businesses which include minority and women-owned businesses. The University has established a 25 percent goal for Small Businesses.

Small Businesses - A small business is now defined as having its principal place of business in New Jersey, gross annual revenues of \$12 million or less and no more than 100 full time employees.

A. New Jersey Business – this may be calculated in one of two ways:

- 1) 51% or more of its employees work in New Jersey as evidenced by payment of New Jersey unemployment taxes; or
- 2) 51% or more of its business activities take place in New Jersey as evidenced by payment of New Jersey income/business taxes.

B. 100 or fewer employees – a sole proprietorship, partnership or corporation having 100 or fewer employees, not including seasonal and part-time employees who work less than 90 days annually, if seasonal and part-time employees are normal to the industry. This does not include a consultant engaged by the business for work to be performed on a contract not related to the contract for which the small business is seeking eligibility.

C. Gross annual revenues may not exceed \$12 million.

Construction Contract - any contract involving any construction, renovation, reconstruction, rehabilitation, alteration, conversion, extension, demolition, repair or other changes or improvements of any kind whatsoever of any structure or facility. The term also includes the supervision, inspection and other on-site functions incidental to actual construction.

III. **IMPLEMENTING DOCUMENT**

A. Requirements:

1. General Guidelines:

- a. As part of its Supplier Diversity Program encompassing small businesses, the University is committed to actively and affirmatively seek diverse business relations. The goal is to ensure that an equitable portion of the University's total purchases for construction, goods, equipment and services is placed with diverse businesses. Vendors are to complete the Sub-Contractor Utilization Report in order to comply with target goals set by the University.
- b. All academic, healthcare and administrative units of the University are encouraged to consider vendor diversity in their purchases.

2. UMDNJ Vendor Diversity Program Goals and Targets:

A total of 25% of all contracts should be awarded to registered small businesses; which include minorities and women:

- 10% to firms whose gross annual revenues do not exceed \$500,000
- 10% to firms whose gross annual revenues do not exceed \$5 million
- 5% to firms whose gross annual revenues do not exceed \$12 million

A small business may be registered in one of three categories, based upon its annual gross revenues. These categories are:

- up to \$500,000
- up to \$5 million
- up to \$12 million

3. Program Requirements

Public contracting entities are now subject to meeting a 25% minimum overall goal collectively for the three categories of small business.

4. New Reporting Requirement

Public contracting authorities must now report annually on their outreach efforts.

5. Important Process Change

In order to be eligible to bid as a small business, a firm must now be registered as a small business as of the date of the bid opening. This is a change from previous requirements, which required a firm to have submitted an application one-day prior to bid opening.

6. Other UMDNJ Policies and Procedures:

The UMDNJ Vendor Diversity Program requirements shall apply to all other policies and procedures of the UMDNJ Department of Purchasing Services.

B. Responsibilities

All departments are responsible for integration of supplier diversity into their operations.

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Small Business Sub-Contractor Utilization Report

Project Name	
Date	Purchase Order #
Project Coordinator	
Representative	
Address	
Phone #	

Prime Vendor Representative - Please fill in the following sub-contractor information (if applicable). List small business subcontractor vendor type as follows: (1) up to \$500,000, (2) up to \$5 million, (3) up to \$12 million. Photocopy this form as needed to list all subcontractors you will be utilizing for this awarded contract.

Sub-Contractor/Vendor Name	Type: __
Contact Person	
Address	
Phone #	
* Amt. \$ Pd. To Sub-contractor	
Scope/Type of Service	
Fed. ID #	

Sub-Contractor/Vendor Name	Type:___
Contact Person	
Address	
Phone #	
* Amt. \$ Pd. To Sub-contractor	
Scope/Type of Service	
Duration period of Sub-Contract	

Prepared By: _____ Phone #: _____

 Print Name

 Bid/Bid #: _____

 Print Title

 Term of

 Signature Contract: _____

Return to: UMDNJ Manager of Purchasing
Liberty Plaza, 2nd Floor
335 George Street
New Brunswick, New Jersey 08903

*Amount Paid to Subcontractor by
invoice: By-Weekly, Monthly, etc.

Exhibit A

UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND DENTISTRY OF NEW JERSEY STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Section A: Terms and Conditions Governing All Contracts

1.0 REFERENCE TO LAWS

The statutes, laws or codes cited are available for review at the New Jersey State Library, 185 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey 08625.

1.1 Compliance – Laws

The Contractor must comply with all local, state, and federal laws, rules and regulations applicable to this contract and to the goods delivered and/or services performed hereunder.

1.2 Compliance – State Laws

It is agreed and understood that any orders placed shall be governed and construed and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be determined in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

This contract is subject to the New Jersey Contractual Liability Act N.J.S.A. 59:13-1, et seq. and the New Jersey Tort Claims Act N.J.S.A. 59: 1-1, et seq.

1.3 Compliance – Codes

The Contractor must comply with NJUCC and the latest NEC70, B.O.C.A. Basic Building Code, OSHA and all applicable codes for this requirement. The Contractor will be responsible for securing and paying all necessary permits, where applicable.

1.4 Compliance Obligations

Each party certifies that it shall not violate the federal anti-kickback statute, set forth at 42 U.S.C. §1320a-7b(b) ("Anti-Kickback Statute"), or the federal "Stark Law," set forth at 42 U.S.C. § 1395nn ("Stark Law"), with respect to the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.

Contractor has received a copy of UMDNJ's Code of Conduct and UMDNJ's Stark Law and Anti-Kickback Statute Policies and Procedures. UMDNJ's Code of Conduct is available at <http://www.umdny.edu/complweb/code/conduct.pdf>. UMDNJ's Stark Law and Anti-Kickback Statute Policies and Procedures are available at the following web addresses: http://www.umdny.edu/oppmweb/university_policies/ethics_compliance/PDF/00-01-15-60_05.pdf; http://www.umdny.edu/oppmweb/university_policies/ethics_compliance/PDF/00-01-15-60_10.pdf; and,

http://www.umdnj.edu/oppmweb/university_policies/ethics_compliance/PDF/00-01-15-60_15.pdf.

Each party shall ensure that its individuals providing service under the agreement who meet the definition of "Covered Persons" (as such term is defined in the "Corporate Integrity Agreement between the Office of Inspector General of the Department of Health and Human Services and the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey" available at <http://www.umdnj.edu/presweb/president/UMDNJ-CIA.pdf>) shall comply with UMDNJ's Compliance Program, including the training related to the Anti-Kickback Statute and the Stark Law.

1.5 Anti-Discrimination

The Contractor or Subcontractor agrees to comply with the laws and regulations pursuant to the New Jersey Law Against Discrimination, N.J.S.A. 10:5-1 et seq., the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VII, 42 U.S.C.A. S200e et seq., the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, 29 U.S.C.A. S621 et seq., the Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C.A. S12101 et seq., and all other laws guaranteeing equal employment.

1.6 The Worker and Community Right to Know Act

The provisions of N.J.S.A. 34:5A-1 et seq. which requires the labeling of all containers of hazardous substances are applicable to this contract. Therefore, all goods offered for purchase to UMDNJ must be labeled by the Contractor in compliance with the provisions of the Act.

1.7 Notice to All State Vendors of Set-Off for State Tax

Please be advised that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:49-19, effective January 1, 1996, and notwithstanding any provision of the law to the contrary, whenever any taxpayer, partnership or S corporation under contract to provide goods or services or construction project to the State of New Jersey or its agencies or instrumentalities, including the legislative and judicial branches of State government, is entitled to payment for those goods or services at the same time a taxpayer, partner or shareholder of that entity is indebted for any State tax, the Director of the Division of Taxation shall seek to set-off so much of that payment as shall be necessary to satisfy the indebtedness. The amount of the set-off shall not allow for the deduction of any expense or other deduction which might be attributable to the taxpayer, partner, or shareholder subject to set-off under this Act.

The Director of the Division of Taxation shall give notice of the set-off to the taxpayer, partner or shareholder and provide an opportunity for a hearing within thirty (30) days of such notice under the procedures for protests established under N.J.S.A. 54:49-18. No request for conference, protest, or subsequent appeal to the Tax Court from any protest shall stay the collection of the indebtedness. Interest that may be payable by the State pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-32 et seq.) to the taxpayer shall be stayed.

1.8 Corporate Authority

All New Jersey corporations must obtain a Certificate of Incorporation from the Department of the Treasury, Division of Revenue, prior to conducting business in the State of New Jersey.

1.9 Prevailing Wage Act

The New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.26 et seq. is hereby made part of every contract entered into on behalf of UMDNJ through the Department of Purchasing Services, except those contracts which are not within the contemplation of the Act. The contractor guarantees that neither it nor any subcontractors it might employ to perform work covered by this proposal has been suspended or debarred by the Commissioner, Department of Labor, for violation of the provisions of the Prevailing Wage Act.

1.10 Ownership Disclosure

All contractors are required to submit an Ownership Disclosure Form. Refer to N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2.

2.0 PRECEDENCE OF STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

All of UMDNJ's terms and conditions will become a part of any contract(s) or order(s) awarded as a result of the solicitation document, whether stated in part, in summary, or by reference. In the event the contractor's terms and conditions conflict with UMDNJ's, UMDNJ's terms and conditions will prevail, unless the contractor is notified in writing of UMDNJ's acceptance of the contractor's terms and conditions.

3.0 INDEPENDENT STATUS OF CONTRACTOR

If awarded a contract or purchase agreement, the Contractor's status shall be that of an independent principal and not as an employee of UMDNJ.

3.1 Subcontracting or Assignment

The contract may not be subcontracted or assigned by the Contractor, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of the Executive Director of Materials Management. Such consent, if granted, shall not relieve the Contractor of any of its responsibility under the contract. Nothing contained in the specifications shall be construed as creating any contractual relationship between any subcontractor and UMDNJ.

3.2 Mergers and Acquisitions

If the Contractor shall merge with, or be acquired by, another firm, the following documents must be submitted to the Executive Director of Materials Management:

- (a) Corporate resolutions prepared by the awarded Contractor and new entity ratifying acceptance of the original contract, terms, conditions and prices; and,
- (b) Vendor Federal Employer Identification Number.

The documents must be submitted within thirty (30) days of completion of the merger or acquisition. Failure to do so may result in termination of contract pursuant to the provisions of these Standard Terms and Conditions.

If the Contractor's partnership or corporation shall dissolve, the Executive Director of Materials Management must be so notified. All responsible parties of the dissolved partnership or corporation must submit to the Executive Director in writing, the names of the parties proposed to perform the contract, and the names of the parties to whom payment should be made. No payment will be made until all parties to the dissolved partnership or corporation submit the required documents to the Executive Director.

4.0 LIABILITIES

4.1 Liability – Copyright

The Contractor shall hold and save UMDNJ, its officers, agents, servants and employees, harmless from liability of any nature or kind for, or on account of, the use of any copyrighted or uncopyrighted compositions, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, article or appliance furnished or used in the performance of this contract.

4.2 Indemnification

The Contractor shall assume all risk of and responsibility for, and agrees to indemnify, defend, and save harmless UMDNJ and its employees from and against any and all claims, demands, suits, actions, recoveries, judgments and cost and expenses in connection therewith on account of the loss of life, property, or injury or damage to the person, body of property of any person or persons whatsoever including UMDNJ, its agents, servants or employees, which shall arise from or result directly or indirectly from the services and/or materials supplied under this contract and all fines, penalties and loss incurred, for or by the reason of the violation of any city or borough ordinance, regulation or laws of the State of New Jersey, or the United States, while said work is in progress. This indemnification obligation is not limited by, but is in addition to the insurance obligations contained in this agreement. This agreement shall be subject to all the provisions of the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, N.J.S.A. 59:1-1 et seq., and all other laws applicable to the parties involved.

4.3 Insurance

The Contractor shall assume all responsibility for its actions and those of anyone else working for it while engaged in any activity connected with this contract. The Contractor shall carry sufficient insurance to protect it and UMDNJ from any property damage or bodily injury claims arising out of the contracted work. Evidence of current insurance coverage shall be provided in the form of a Certificate of Insurance, which shall be submitted no later than ten (10) days after receipt of notice of intent to award contract. The Certificate of Insurance should include the solicitation identification number and title of the solicitation.

In order to prevent any unnecessary delay, bidders may submit evidence of required insurance with their bid.

The insurance to be provided by the Contractor shall be as follows:

-Commercial General Liability Insurance - including contractual liability endorsement, subject to primary limits of coverage of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence/\$1,000,000 annual aggregate. If applicable, XCU coverage may be required;

-Automobile Liability Insurance – covering owned, non-owned and hired vehicles with not less than \$1,000,000 for bodily injury and property damage;

-Excess Liability Insurance - subject to an additional limit of liability of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence/\$1,000,000 aggregate excess of the primary policy;

-Workers' Compensation Insurance - statutory coverage and including employers liability coverage of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$1,000,000 annual aggregate;

-Additional Insured - UMDNJ to be named as additional insured ATIMA with respect to Commercial General, Automobile and Excess Liability Insurance provided by contractor pursuant to this proposal/contract;

-Errors and Omissions Liability insurance - with limits of \$1million/\$1million; UMDNJ to be named as additional insured ATIMA with respect to services provided by contractor pursuant to this proposal contract. If applicable, this insurance may be required.

- All insurers affording coverage are to be licensed to conduct the business of insurance within the State of New Jersey and to be rated not less than A- by Bests Insurance Rating Service.

-UMDNJ is to be named as certificate holder with respect to all afore-mentioned insurance coverages.

-Liability Insurance MUST remain in effect for the duration of the Contract, including any extensions, and for ninety (90) days following termination of all work.

No contract will be issued to the successful bidder until such time as the Contractor has supplied UMDNJ with a Certificate of Insurance verifying the above-indicated coverage. The Contractor is not authorized to begin service until UMDNJ is in receipt of said certificate.

5.0 CONTRACT TERMS

5.1 Termination of Contract

5.1.1 Change of Circumstances

Where circumstances and/or the needs of UMDNJ significantly change, or the contract is otherwise deemed no longer to be in the public interest, the Executive Director of Materials Management may terminate a contract entered into as a result of the solicitation document, upon no less than 30 days notice to the Contractor with an opportunity to respond.

In the event of such termination, the Contractor shall furnish to UMDNJ, free of charge, such reports as may be required.

5.1.2 For Cause

Where a Contractor fails to perform or comply with a contract, and/or fails to comply with the complaints procedure in N.J.A.C. 17:12-4.2 et seq., the Executive Director of Materials Management may terminate the contract upon 10 days notice to the Contractor with an opportunity to respond.

Where a Contractor continues to perform a contract poorly as demonstrated by formal complaints, late delivery, poor performance of service, short-shipping, etc., so that the Executive Director of Materials Management is repeatedly required to use the complaints procedure in N.J.A.C. 17:12-4.2 et seq. the Executive Director may terminate the contract upon ten (10) days notice to the Contractor with an opportunity to respond.

In cases of emergency the Executive Director of Materials Management may shorten the time periods of notification and may dispense with an opportunity to respond.

In the event of termination under this section, the Contractor will be compensated for work performed in accordance with the contract, up to the date of termination. Such compensation may be subject to adjustments.

5.2 Warranty of Title

The Contractor warrants good title to all materials, supplies, and equipment covered by this contract and agrees to deliver same free from any claim, liens, or charges, and agrees further that neither he nor any other person, firm or corporation shall have any right to lien upon said materials, supplies and equipment.

5.3 Title and Risk of Loss

Unless this contract specifically provides for earlier passage of title and/or risk of loss, title to supplies covered by this contract shall pass to the UMDNJ upon formal acceptance, regardless of when or where UMDNJ takes physical possession.

The risk of loss or damage to supplies which so fail to conform to the contract as to give a right of rejection shall remain with the Contractor until cured or until accepted by UMDNJ.

5.4 Increased or Decreased Quantity

UMDNJ may increase or decrease the quantity of supplies called for herein at the unit price specified in the Contractor's response proposal.

5.5 Tax Exempt Status

UMDNJ is tax exempt. N.J.S.A. 54:32b-1, et. seq., exempts the material listed in this solicitation document from New Jersey State Sales or Use Taxes.

5.6 Payment Terms

UMDNJ will issue payment for goods and services within forty-five (45) days of the receipt and acceptance of goods and services by the using department, whichever is later. Vendors shall not submit an invoice to Accounts Payable until the vendor receives a Purchase Order from UMDNJ for the goods and services. Vendors shall also not date an invoice that is before the date the Purchase Order is issued by UMDNJ.

Vendors may propose a discount for payments made before the 45 day period. UMDNJ may exercise the discretion to take advantage of such early payment terms.

5.6.1 Availability of Funds

UMDNJ's obligation to pay the Contractor is contingent upon the availability of appropriate funds from which payment for contract purposes can be made. No legal liability in the part of UMDNJ for payment of any money shall arise unless funds are made available each fiscal year to UMDNJ by the State Legislature.

5.7 Discounts

In connection with any discount offered, time will be computed from date of delivery and acceptance at the UMDNJ destination.

5.8 Performance Security

If performance security is required, the Contractor shall furnish performance security in such amount on any award of a term contract line item purchase, see N.J.A.C. 17:12-2.5. The security shall be irrevocable; binding the Contractor to provide faithful performance of the contract, and shall be in the amount listed in the solicitation document, payable to the Treasurer, UMDNJ. Acceptable forms of performance security are as follows:

- _ (a) A properly executed individual or annual performance bond issued by an insurance or security company authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey; or,
- _ (b) A certified or cashier's check drawn to the order of the Treasurer, UMDNJ; or,
- _ (c) An irrevocable letter of credit drawn naming the Treasurer, UMDNJ as beneficiary, issued by a federally-insured financial institution.

The performance security must be submitted to UMDNJ within thirty (30) days of the effective date of the contract award and cover the period of the contract and any extensions thereof. Failure to submit performance security may result in cancellation of the contract for cause, pursuant to the provisions of these standard terms and conditions, as well as non-payment for work performed.

5.9 Performance Guarantee of Contractor

The Contractor hereby certifies that:

5.9.1 The equipment offered is standard new equipment, and is the manufacturer's latest model in production, with parts regularly used for the type of equipment offered; that such parts are all in production and not likely to be discontinued; and that no attachment or part has been substituted or applied contrary to the manufacturer's recommendations and standard practice.

5.9.2 All equipment supplied to UMDNJ and operated by electrical current is UL listed where applicable.

5.9.3 All new machines are to be guaranteed as fully operational for the period stated in the solicitation document from time of written acceptance by UMDNJ. The Contractor will render prompt service without charge, regardless of geographic location.

5.9.4 Sufficient quantities of parts necessary for proper service to equipment will be maintained at distribution points and service headquarters.

5.9.5 Trained mechanics are regularly employed to make necessary repairs to equipment in the territory from which the service request might emanate within a forty-eight (48) hour period or within the time accepted as industry practice.

5.9.6 During the warranty period, the Contractor shall replace immediately any material which is rejected for failure to meet the requirements of the contract.

5.9.7 All services rendered to UMDNJ shall be performed in strict and full accordance with the specifications stated in the contract. The contract shall not be considered complete until final approval by UMDNJ is rendered.

5.10 Delivery Guarantees

Deliveries shall be made at such time and in such quantities as ordered in strict accordance with conditions contained in the solicitation document.

The Contractor shall be responsible for the delivery of material in first class condition to UMDNJ under this contract, and in accordance with good commercial practice.

Items delivered must be strictly in accordance with the solicitation document.

Mere acceptance of delivery shall not constitute acceptance on behalf of UMDNJ.

In the event delivery goods or services is not made within the number of days stipulated or under the schedule defined in the solicitation document, UMDNJ reserves the right to obtain the material or service from any available source, with the difference in price, if any, to be paid by the Contractor for its failure to meet its contractual commitments.

5.11 Maintenance of Records

The Contractor shall maintain records for products and/or services delivered against the contract for a period of five (5) years from the date of final payment. Such records shall be made available to UMDNJ upon request for purposes of conducting an audit or for ascertaining information regarding dollar volume or number of transactions.

5.12 Auditing

The Contractor shall be required to maintain all pertinent financial and accounting records and evidence pertaining to the performance of all services provided to the UMDNJ. All records so maintained shall be in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), SSAE 16 and other procedures specified by UMDNJ. The Contractor shall maintain for all accounts appropriate ledger records that reflect the original balance, additional charges, adjustments, collections, commissions and all payments received in order to settle disputes that arise from the services, including any collection activities and to provide a clear audit trail for UMDNJ. The Contractor shall maintain books, records, documents and other evidence pertaining to the administrative costs and expenses of the contract to properly reflect all revenues, all direct and apportioned net costs, and all other costs and expenses which relate to the performance of the contract. All documentation and/or correspondence shall be maintained by the Contractor in a case file or on an automated system approved by UMDNJ. UMDNJ and/or its authorized representatives shall have the right to access all records that pertain to work performed under this contract. This includes UMDNJ's right to access financial and accounting records that support the Contractor's billing for services provided at any time during the contract period and for three (3) years from the expiration date and final payment on said contract. All records of the Contractor relating to this contract shall be retained for five (5) years following the date of final payment under this contract. Nothing in this contract shall be construed to permit or authorize the Contractor to destroy or eliminate documents, records or files in violation of any statute or rule governing the Contractor's retention of records.

If the Contractor is providing services under the contract with the University, then Contractor is required to have an annual SSAE 16 audit of its internal controls. This audit must report both on controls placed in operation and on tests of the operating effectiveness of the systems that run the Contractor's applications or transactions. The annual tests must correspond with each of the University's fiscal year, which is the twelve-month period ending June 30. Audit reports should be sent to the University Internal Audit Department and to the University's Supply Chain Management Department no later than 30 days after the report is issued to Contractor.

5.13 Contractor Reporting

UMDNJ may request the Contractor to report, from time to time, on the number and nature of purchasing transactions being handled under this contract. This information may include, but is not limited to, the number of items purchased, the dollar value of items purchased, etc.

5.14 Computation of Time

Time, if stated as a number of days, will include weekends and holidays.

5.15 Warranty of Supplies

5.15.1 Notwithstanding inspection and acceptance by the UMDNJ of supplies under the contract or any provision of this contract concerning the conclusiveness of any provision of this contract that at time of delivery:

_ (a) All supplies furnished under this contract will be free from defects in material or workmanship and will conform with the specifications and all other requirements of this contract; and,

_ (b) The preservation, packaging, packing, and marking, and the preparation for, and method of, shipment of such supplies will conform with the requirements of this contract.

5.15.2 Upon written notice of any breach of warranty, UMDNJ may either:

_ (a) By written notice require the prompt correction or replacement of any supplies or part thereof (including preservation, packaging, packing, and marking) that do not conform with the requirements of this contract; or

_ (b) Retain such supplies, whereupon the contract price thereof shall be reduced by an amount equitable under the circumstances and the Contractor shall promptly make appropriate repayment.

5.15.3 If the contract provides for inspection of supplies by sampling procedures, UMDNJ may, at its option, determine the quantity of supplies or parts thereof which are subject to this paragraph in accordance with such sampling procedures.

5.15.4 When return, correction or replacement is required, UMDNJ shall return the supplies and transportation charges and responsibility for such supplies while in transit shall be borne by the Contractor.

5.15.5 If the Contractor fails or refuses to correct or replace the non-conforming supplies within a period of ten (10 days) (or such longer period as UMDNJ may authorize in writing) after receipt of notice from UMDNJ specifying such failure or refusal, UMDNJ may, by contract or otherwise, correct or replace them with similar supplies and charge to the Contractor the cost occasioned to UMDNJ thereby. In addition, if the Contractor fails to furnish timely disposition instructions, UMDNJ may dispose of the non-conforming supplies for the Contractor's account

in a reasonable manner, in which case UMDNJ is entitled to reimbursement from the Contractor or from the proceeds for the reasonable expenses of the care and disposition of the non-conforming supplies, as well as for excess costs incurred or to be incurred.

5.15.6 Any supplies or parts thereof corrected or furnished in replacement pursuant to this clause shall also be subject to all the provisions of this clause to the extent as supplies initially delivered.

5.15.7 The word "supplies" as used herein includes related services.

5.15.8 The rights and remedies of UMDNJ provided in this clause are in addition to and do not limit any rights afforded to UMDNJ by any other clause of the contract.

5.15.9 Failure to agree upon any determination to be made under this clause shall be a dispute concerning a question of fact within the meaning of the "Disputes" clause of this contract.

5.16 Material and Workmanship

Unless otherwise specifically provided in this contract, all equipment, material, and articles covered by this contract are to be new and of the most suitable grade for the purpose intended. The Contractor shall number all other identifying data and information respecting the performance, capacity, nature, and rating of the machinery and mechanical and other equipment, which the Contractor contemplates incorporating in the work. When required by this contract or when called for by UMDNJ, the Contractor shall furnish for approval by UMDNJ full information concerning the material or articles (including, but not limited to, items such as Material Safety Data (MSD) sheets), which the Contractor contemplates incorporating in the work. No materials will be accepted unless MSD's have been provided and the containers are labeled according to OSHA 29CFR 1910, 1200 and the New Jersey Right to Know Law. When so directed, samples shall be submitted for approval, and this shall be done at the Contractor's expense, with all shipping charges prepaid. Machinery, equipment, material, and articles installed or used without required approval shall be at the risk of subsequent rejection.

5.17 Inspection and Tests

All supplies shall be subject to inspection and test by UMDNJ.

5.18 Price Fluctuation During Contract

Unless otherwise noted by UMDNJ, all prices quoted shall be firm through issuance of a contract or purchase order and shall not be subject to increase during the period of the contract. In the event of a manufacturer's or Contractor's price decreases during the contract period, UMDNJ shall receive the full benefit of such price reduction on any undelivered purchase order and on any subsequent order placed during the contract period. The Executive Director of Materials Management must be notified in writing of any price reduction within five (5) days of the effective date.

Failure to report price reductions will result in cancellation of contract for cause, pursuant to the provisions of these Standard Terms and Conditions.

5.19 Delivery Costs

All shipments must be made “F.O.B. Destination.” Regardless of the method of quoting shipments, the Contractor shall assume all costs, liability and responsibility for the delivery of merchandise in good condition to UMDNJ.

“F.O.B. Destination” does not cover “spotting, but does include delivery on the receiving platform at any destination within UMDNJ, unless otherwise specified. No additional charges will be allowed for any additional transportation costs resulting from partial shipments made at the Contractor’s convenience when a single shipment is ordered. The weights and measures of UMDNJ shall govern.

6.0 STANDARDS PROHIBITING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No bidder or contractor shall pay, offer to pay, or agree to pay, either directly or indirectly, any fee, commission, compensation, gift, gratuity, or other thing of value of any kind to any UMDNJ officer or employee as defined by N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13b. with which such bidder or contractor transacts or offers or proposes to transact business, or to any member of the immediate family, as defined by N.J.S.A. 52:13013i., of any such UMDNJ officer or employee, or any partnership, firm, or corporation with which they are employed or associated, or in which such officer or employee has an interest within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 52:130-13g.

The solicitation of any fee, commission, compensation, gift, gratuity or other thing of value by any UMDNJ officer or employee from any bidder or contractor shall be reported in writing forthwith by the bidder or contractor to the Attorney General and the New Jersey Executive Commission on Ethical Standards.

No bidder or contractor may, directly or indirectly, undertake any private business, commercial or entrepreneurial relationship with, whether or not pursuant to employment, contract or other agreement, express or implied, or sell any interest in such bidder or contractor to, any UMDNJ officer or employee having any duties or responsibilities in connection with the purchase, acquisition or sale of any property or services by or to UMDNJ or any instrumentality thereof, or with any person, firm or entity with which he is employed or associated or in which he has an interest within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 52:130-13g. Any relationships subject to this provision shall be reported in writing forthwith to the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards, which may grant a waiver of this restriction upon application of the UMDNJ officer or employee or upon a finding that the present or proposed relationship does not present the potential, actuality or appearance of a conflict of interest.

No bidder or contractor shall influence, or attempt to influence or cause to be influenced, any UMDNJ officer or employee in his official capacity in any manner which might tend to impair the objectivity or independence of judgment of said officer or employee.

No bidder or contractor shall cause or influence, or attempt to cause or influence, any UMDNJ officer or employee to use, or attempt to use, his official position to secure unwarranted privileges or advantages for the bidder or contractor or any other person, bidder, contractor or corporation.

The provisions cited above shall not be construed to prohibit a UMDNJ officer or employee from receiving gifts from or contracting with bidder or contractor under the same terms and conditions as are offered or made available to members of the general public, subject to any guidelines promulgated by the New Jersey Executive Commission on Ethical Standards. UMDNJ reserves the right to take any or all of the following actions upon bidder's or contractor's violation of any of the foregoing provisions:

- _ (a) Immediate termination of this or any contract between UMDNJ, the bidder or contractor;
- _ (b) Disqualification of bidder or contractor from any future contracts, bids or requests for bid; and,
- _ (c) Any other action, at law or in equity.

Name of Firm: _____

Accepted by: _____

Printed Name and Title: _____

Date: _____