



Request for Proposal # 822

**FOR: LASER SYSTEM - Nd: YAG Nanosecond Pulsed Laser
Or Equivalent**

Event	Date	Time
RFP Question Cut Off Date (Refer to RFP Section 1.3.1 for more information.)	March 26, 2009	
Bid Proposal Submission Due Date (Refer to RFP Section 1.3.2 for more information.)	April 17, 2009	10:00 AM

Dates are subject to change. All changes will be reflected in Addendum to the RFP posted on the Procurement Services webpage.

Small Business	Status	Category
Set-Aside (Refer to RFP Section 4.4.2.2 for more information.)	☒ Not Applicable ☐ Entire Contract ☐ Partial Contract ☐ Subcontracting Only	☐ I ☐ II ☐ III

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1.0 INFORMATION FOR BIDDERS

1.1 PURPOSE AND INTENT

This Request for Proposal (RFP) is issued by the Office of Procurement Services (Procurement Services), Montclair State University (University). The purpose of this RFP is to solicit bid proposals to purchase a **LASER SYSTEM - Nd: YAG Nanosecond Pulsed Laser** or equivalent for the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry.

The intent of this RFP is to award a contract to that responsible bidder whose bid proposal, conforming to this RFP is most advantageous to the University, price and other factors considered. However, the University reserves the right to separately procure individual requirements that are the subject of the awarded contract during the contract term, when deemed by the University's Vice President for Finance and Treasurer to be in the University's best interest.

The University's Standard Contract Terms and Conditions, Appendix 1 hereto, will be part of the awarded contract. The University's Standard Contract Terms and Conditions are in addition to the terms and conditions set forth in this RFP and should be read in conjunction with them.

1.2 BACKGROUND

The Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry is certified by the American Chemical Society Committee on Professional Training. The department offers programs leading to undergraduate degrees Chemistry and Biochemistry. There are a number of Graduate Programs offered in the Department. There is a combined BS/MS, a combined MS/MBA, and an MS in Chemistry with a concentration in Biochemistry as well as a Master of Science in Chemistry. The details of the various programs can be found by going to the appropriate links to the left.

The Department has added new staff and the facilities have recently been renovated. Located in Richardson Hall are teaching laboratories for introductory, general, organic, physical and analytical, and biochemistry courses as well as research and instrument labs that are used both for coursework and for faculty and student research.

1.3 KEY EVENTS

1.3.1 QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Procurement Services will accept questions and inquiries from all potential bidders via e-mail or fax, see cover sheet for assigned buyer's e-mail address and fax number.

Questions should be directly tied to the RFP and 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 are not to contact the University using department directly, in person, by telephone or by email, concerning this RFP.

The cut-off date for faxed questions and inquiries relating to this RFP is indicated on the cover sheet. Addendum to this RFP, if any, will be posted on Procurement Services webpage after the cut-off date (see Section 1.4.1. of this RFP for further information.)

1.3.2 SUBMISSION OF BID PROPOSAL

In order to be considered for award, the bid proposal must be received by Procurement Services at the appropriate location by the required time. The date and time is indicated on the cover sheet. The location is as follows:

Office of Procurement Services
Suite 112
Montclair State University
855 Valley Road
Clifton, New Jersey 07013

ANY BID PROPOSAL NOT RECEIVED ON TIME AT THE LOCATION NOTED WILL BE REJECTED

Note: Bidders using USPS Regular or Express mail services should allow adequate time to ensure that bid proposals are received at Procurement Services on the date and time indicated on the cover sheet.

1.4 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1.4.1 ADDENDUM: REVISIONS TO THIS RFP

In the event that it becomes necessary to clarify or revise this RFP, such clarification or revision will be by addendum. Any addendum to this RFP will become part of this RFP and part of any contract awarded as a result of this RFP.

ADDENDUM ISSUED WILL BE POSTED ON PROCUREMENT SERVICES WEBPAGE.

There are no designated dates for release of addendum. Interested vendors should check the Procurement Services' webpage on a daily basis from time of RFP issuance through bid proposal submission.

It is the sole responsibility of the bidder to be knowledgeable of addendum issued relating to this RFP.

Notice of addendum issued will be faxed by the assigned Procurement Services buyer to any vendor who has picked up a copy of the RFP at Procurement Services and who provided Procurement Services with its fax number.

It is the responsibility of the vendor accessing the RFP from Procurement Services' webpage to e-mail or fax the assigned Procurement Services buyer to request that it be faxed notice of addendum issued.

1.4.2 BIDDER RESPONSIBILITY

The bidder assumes sole responsibility for the complete effort required in submitting a bid proposal in response to this RFP. No special consideration will be given after bid proposals are opened because of a bidder's failure to be knowledgeable as to all of the requirements of this RFP.

1.4.3 COST LIABILITY

The University assumes no responsibility and bears no liability for costs incurred by a bidder in the preparation and submittal of a bid proposal in response to this RFP.

1.4.4 CONTENTS OF BID PROPOSAL

Subsequent to bid opening, all information submitted by a bidder in the bid proposal is considered public information, except as may be exempted from public 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 in its bid proposal as not subject to disclosure when the bidder has a good faith legal/factual basis for such assertion. The University 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. The University 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.

By signing the Signature Page of this RFP (Attachment 1), the bidder waives any claims of copyright protection set forth within the manufacturer's price list and/or catalogs. The price lists and/or catalogs must be accessible to University using departments.

1.4.5 PRICE ALTERATION

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

1.4.6 BID ERRORS

A bidder may request that its bid proposal be withdrawn prior to bid opening. Such request must be made, in writing, to the Director of Procurement Services. If the request is granted, the bidder may submit a revised bid proposal as long as the revised bid proposal is received prior to the announced date and time for the opening of bid proposals and at the place specified.

If, after the opening of bid proposals but before contract award, a bidder discovers an error in its bid proposal, the bidder may make written request to the Director of Procurement Services for authorization to withdraw its bid proposal from consideration for award. Evidence of the bidder's good faith in making this request shall be used in making the determination. The factors that will be considered are that the mistake is so significant that to enforce the contract resulting from the bid proposal would be unconscionable; that the mistake relates to a material feature of the contract; that the mistake occurred notwithstanding the bidder's exercise of reasonable care; and that the University will not be significantly prejudiced by granting the withdrawal of the bid proposal.

If, during the evaluation of bid proposals received, an obvious pricing error made by a potential contract awardee is found, the Director of Procurement Services shall issue written notice to the bidder. The bidder will have five days after receipt of the notice to confirm its pricing. If the bidder fails to respond, its bid proposal shall be considered withdrawn, and no further consideration shall be given it.

If it is discovered that there is an arithmetic disparity between the unit price and the total extended price, the unit price shall prevail. If there is any other ambiguity in the pricing other than a disparity between the unit price and extended price and the bidder's intention is not readily discernible from other parts of the bid proposal, the assigned Procurement Services buyer may seek clarification from the bidder to ascertain the true intent of the bid proposal.

1.4.7 JOINT VENTURE

If a joint venture is submitting a bid proposal, the agreement between the parties relating to such joint venture should be submitted with the joint venture's bid proposal. Authorized signatories from each party comprising the joint venture must sign the Signature Page (Attachment #1) and the Source Disclosure Certification (Attachment #3). A separate Ownership Disclosure Form (Attachment #2) and Company Qualification Certification (Attachment #4) must be completed by each party to the joint venture.

2.0 DEFINITIONS

2.1 GENERAL DEFINITIONS

The following definitions will be part of the contract awarded as result of this RFP:

Addendum - Written clarification or revision to this RFP issued by Procurement Services.

Amendment - A change in the scope of work to be performed by the contractor after contract award. An amendment is not effective until signed by the University's Vice President for Finance and Treasurer.

Bidder – A vendor submitting a bid proposal in response to this RFP.

Contract - Any addendum to this RFP, this RFP (including Montclair State University's Contract Terms and Conditions, Appendix 1), the awarded bidder's bid proposal and the University's form Agreement incorporating these documents.

Contractor - The contractor is the bidder awarded a contract.

Director – Director of Procurement Services.

Joint Venture – A business undertaking by two or more entities to share risk and responsibility for a specific project.

May - Denotes that which is permissible, but not mandatory.

Request for Proposal (RFP) - This document, which establishes the bidding and contract requirements and solicits bid proposals to meet the purchase needs of the University.

Shall or Must - Denotes that which is a mandatory requirement.

Should - Denotes that which is recommended, but not mandatory.

2.2 CONTRACT SPECIFIC DEFINITIONS

None

3.0 COMMODITY DESCRIPTION

Type of Laser: **Nd: YAG Nanosecond Pulsed Laser with 2nd, 3rd, and 4th harmonic generation**
or equivalent

Specifications

Pulse duration: less than 10 nanoseconds

Line width: equal to or less than 1 cm^{-1}

Repetition rate: variable at least up to 15 Hz (20 Hz preferred)

Energy per pulse: >400 mJ @ 1,064 nm

Energy per pulse: >150 mJ @ 532 nm

Energy per pulse: > 50 mJ @355 nm

Energy per pulse: > 30 mJ @ 266 nm

Beam divergence: < 0.75 mrad

Pointing Stability: < 60 μrad

Jitter: < 1 nanosecond

Energy stability (shot-to-shot): <2.5% (1064 nm), <4% (532 nm), <4.5% (355 nm), <7.5% (266 nm)

Energy stability (RMS): <0.8% (1064 nm), <1.3% (532 nm), <1.4% (355nm), <2.5% (266 nm)

Power drift: <3% (6% @ 266 nm)

Utility requirements of the laser system:

Electrical: nominal 208 Volt, single phase, 10 A

Cooling: water to air heat exchange

The utilities are restricted by what is available in the laboratory space. Bringing in new utilities will have to be added to the final cost of the system at the time of purchase.

An 18 months warranty for the laser system that covers all parts and labor must be provided.

During the warranty period the awarded vendor shall replace immediately any material which is rejected for failure to meet the requirements of the contract. *Bidder to disclose complete warranty coverage and exclusions on separate sheet*.

All supporting technical documentation is to be included.

4.0 BID PROPOSAL PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION

4.1 GENERAL

The bidder is advised to thoroughly read and follow all instructions contained in this RFP, including the instructions on the RFP's Signature Page (Attachment #1), in preparing and submitting its bid proposal.

Note: Bid proposals shall not contain URLs (Uniform Resource Locators, i.e., the global address of documents and other resources on the world wide web) or web addresses. Inasmuch as the web contains dynamically changing content, inclusion of a URL or web address in a bid response is indicative of potentially changing information. Inclusion of a URL or web address in a bid response implies that the bid proposal's content changes as the referenced web pages change.

4.2 BID PROPOSAL DELIVERY AND IDENTIFICATION

In order to be considered, a bid proposal must arrive at Procurement Services in accordance with the instructions on the RFP's Signature Page (Attachment #1).

Bidders are cautioned to allow adequate delivery time to ensure timely delivery of bid proposals. Late bid proposals are ineligible for consideration.

THE EXTERIOR OF ALL BID PROPOSAL PACKAGES ARE TO BE LABELED WITH THE RFP NUMBER AND TITLE AND THE BIDDER'S NAME AND ADDRESS.

4.3 NUMBER OF BID PROPOSAL COPIES

The bidder must submit one (1) complete ORIGINAL bid proposal, clearly marked as the "ORIGINAL" bid proposal. The bidder should submit one (1) full, complete and exact copies of the original. The copies requested are necessary in the evaluation of the bid proposal. A bidder failing to provide the requested number of copies will be charged the cost incurred by the University in producing the requested number of copies. It is suggested that the bidder make and retain a copy of its bid proposal.

4.4 BID PROPOSAL CONTENT

4.4.1 FORMS THAT MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH BID PROPOSAL

4.4.1.1 RFP SIGNATURE PAGE

The bidder shall complete and submit the RFP Signature Page (Attachment #1). The RFP Signature Page shall be signed by an authorized representative of the bidder. If the bidder is a limited partnership, the RFP Signature Page must be signed by a general partner. If the bidder is a joint venture, the RFP Signature Page must be signed by a principal of each party to the joint venture. Failure to comply will result in rejection of the bid proposal.

4.4.1.2 OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATION

In the event the bidder is a corporation, partnership or sole proprietorship, the bidder must complete the attached Ownership Disclosure Certification (Attachment #2). A current completed Ownership Disclosure Certification must be received prior to or accompany the bid

proposal. If the bidder is a joint venture, an Ownership Disclosure Certification must be completed and submitted by each party to the joint venture. Failure to comply will result in rejection of the bid proposal.

4.4.1.3 SOURCE DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATION

The bidder must complete the Source Disclosure Certification (Attachment #3) and include the completed Certification with the bid proposal. Failure to comply will result in rejection of the bid proposal.

4.4.1.4 COMPANY QUALIFICATION CERTIFICATION

The bidder must complete the Company Qualification Certification (Attachment 4) and include the completed Certification with the bid proposal. If the bidder is a joint venture, the Company Qualification Certification must be completed and submitted by each party to the joint venture. Failure to comply will result in rejection of the bid proposal.

4.4.2 PROOF OF REGISTRATION THAT MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THE BID PROPOSAL

4.4.2.1 BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

See Section 1.1 of the University's Standard Contract Terms and Conditions, Appendix 1.

The bidder may go to www.nj.gov/njbgs to register with the New Jersey Division of Revenue or to obtain a copy of an existing Business Registration Certificate.

Failure to submit a copy of the bidder's Business Registration Certificate (or interim Registration) from the Division of Revenue with the bid proposal may be cause for rejection of the bid proposal. If the bidder is a joint venture, a Business Registration Certificate (or interim Certificate) must be provided by each party to the joint venture.

4.4.2.2 ~~SMALL BUSINESS REGISTRATION~~

~~This is a Set Aside Contract for [indicate category: Category I, II, or III] for Small Businesses. The bidder must be registered as a qualifying small business with the New Jersey Commerce, Economic Growth and Tourism Commission (Commerce) by the date the bid is received and opened. Evidence that the bidder has registered with Commerce as a small business should be submitted with the bid proposal. If the bidder is a joint venture, evidence that each party to the joint venture has registered with Commerce as a small business should be submitted with the bid proposal.~~

~~"Small Business" means a business that has its principal place of business in the State of New Jersey, is independently owned and operated, and has no more than 100 full-time employees.~~

~~All necessary forms and any additional information concerning registration may be obtained by contacting Commerce's office of Small Business services:~~

~~NEW JERSEY COMMERCE, ECONOMIC GROWTH AND TOURISM COMMISSION~~

OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS SERVICES
20 WEST STATE STREET—4TH FLOOR
PO BOX 820, TRENTON, NJ 08625-0820
TELEPHONE: 609-292-2146

~~4.4.2.3 NEW JERSEY PUBLIC WORKS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATES~~

~~The bidder and all proposed subcontractors must hold valid N.J. Public Works Registration Certificates at the time of bid opening.~~

~~The Bidder shall include copies of current N.J. Public Works Registration Certificates for the Bidder and all sub-contractors required to be listed on the Single Bid Sub-contractor Listing. The Public Works Contractor Registration Act, N.J.S.A. 34:11—56:48 et seq., requires that all bidders and all sub-contractors listed in a bid on a public work must be registered with the Department of Labor to protect workers and facilitate enforcement of state prevailing wage laws. The Act was amended in 2003 as follows:~~

~~No contractor shall bid on any contract for public work as defined in section 2 of P.L. 1963, c. 150 (C.34:11-56:26) unless the contractor is registered pursuant to this act. No contractor shall list a sub-contractor in a bid proposal for the contract unless the sub-contractor is registered pursuant to P.L. 1999, c. 238 (C.34:11-56:48 et seq.) at the time the bid is made. No contractor or sub-contractor, including a sub-contractor not listed in the bid proposal, shall engage in the performance of any public work subject to the contract, unless the contractor or sub-contractor is registered pursuant to that act. [N.J.S.A. 34:11-56:51, as amended by L.2003, c. 91, approved June 17, 2003].~~

4.4.3 SUBMITTALS

The bidders should submit manufacturer's catalog and brochure to support the system.

~~4.4.3.1 SAMPLE TESTING~~

~~The samples submitted must meet the specification requirements set forth in the RFP and must be representative of the product bid. Bid samples [for pricing lines _____] for evaluation and testing purposes are to be made available at no charge and delivered to University, at the bidder's expense. The bidder must, within [Buyer to indicate number of days] working days following a request from the Procurement Services buyer, submit bid samples to Procurement Services. Bid samples will not be returned. The University reserves the right to perform any tests necessary to assure that the bid samples conform to this RFP [for pricing lines _____]. The testing results of the University are final.~~

~~[IF BID SECURITY IS REQUIRED, BUYER SHOULD INCLUDE SUBSECTION 4.4.4]~~

4.4.4 BID SECURITY

~~Each bid proposal must be accompanied by a Bid Bond [See Attachment #6], Certified or Cashier's Check made payable to Montclair State University equal to ten percent (10%) of the amount of the bid proposal, not to exceed \$20,000.00, as evidence of good faith, which guarantees that if the bid proposal submitted by the bidder is accepted, the bidder will enter into~~

~~the Contract and will furnish the required Contract Documents and Surety Bonds. If a Bid Bond is submitted, it shall also provide that the Surety issuing the Bid Bond is bound to issue the required Payment and Performance Bonds [See Attachment #7], if the bidder is awarded the Contract. If the bidder whose bid proposal is accepted is unable to provide the Performance and Payment Bonds or fails to execute a Contract, then such Bidder and the Bid Bond Surety shall be obligated to pay Montclair State University the difference between the amount of the bid proposal and the amount which the University contracts to pay another party to perform the work. The University reserves the right to retain any Certified or Cashier's Check deposited hereunder as reimbursement for the difference as aforesaid, and shall return any unrequited balance to the bidder. Should there be a deficiency in the amount of the Bid deposit, the bidder and the Surety shall pay the entire amount of the difference in cost upon demand. The bidder awarded the Contract shall construe nothing contained herein as a waiver of any other legal remedies the University may have by reason of a default or breach.~~

~~Certified or Cashier's Checks or Bonds submitted by unsuccessful bidders will be returned after the Contract has been executed. Bidders electing to furnish a Bid Bond must also include a Consent of Surety, in form acceptable to the University.~~

~~Attorneys in fact who sign Bid Bonds or Contract Bonds must file a certified Power of Attorney with the University indicating the effective date of that power.~~

4.4.5 FINANCIAL CAPABILITY OF THE BIDDER

In order to provide the University with the ability to judge the bidder's financial capacity and capabilities to undertake and successfully complete the contract, the bidder should submit its latest annual certified financial statement that includes a balance sheet, income statement and statement of cash flow, and all applicable notes for the most recent calendar year or the bidder's most recent fiscal year. If a certified financial statement is not available, the bidder should provide either a reviewed or compiled statement from an independent accountant setting forth the same information required for the certified financial statement, together with a certification from the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, that the financial statement and other information included in the statement fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the bidder as of, and for, the period presented in the statement. In addition, the bidder should submit a bank reference.

If the information is not supplied with the bid proposal, the University may still require the bidder to submit it. If the bidder fails to comply with the request within seven (7) business days, the University may deem the bid proposal non-responsive.

The bidder may designate specific financial information as not subject to disclosure when the bidder has a good faith legal/factual basis for such assertion. The bidder may submit specific financial documents in a separate, sealed package clearly marked "Confidential-Financial Information" along with its bid proposal.

The University reserves the right to make the determination whether to accept the bidder's assertion of confidentiality and will advise the bidder accordingly.

4.4.6 PRICING

The bidder must submit its pricing using the format set forth in the price sheet(s) attached to this RFP (Attachment #5). Failure to submit all information required will result in the bid proposal being considered non-responsive. Notwithstanding the Contract Effective Date on the RFP Signature Page, Attachment #1, each bidder is required to hold its prices firm through issuance of the contract.

The bidder's signature guarantees that prices set forth within the manufacturers 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 will not be part of any University contract awarded as a result of this RFP.

5.0 SPECIAL CONTRACTUAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

5.1 PRECEDENCE OF SPECIAL CONTRACTUAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The contract awarded as a result of this RFP shall consist of addendum to this RFP, this RFP (including the University's Standard Contract Terms and Conditions (Appendix 1)), the contractor's bid proposal and the University's Agreement incorporating these documents and signed by the contractor and the University's Vice President for Finance and Treasurer.

In the event of a conflict between provisions within the contract documents, the contract documents shall have the following order of priority: Agreement, RFP Addendum by later issuance date, the RFP, the University's Standard Contract Terms and Conditions and the contractor's bid proposal.

5.2 CONTRACT TERM AND EXTENSION OPTION

~~The term of the contract shall be for a period of [BUYER: INSERT PERIOD OF CONTRACT HERE]. The anticipated "Contract Effective Date" is provided on the Signature Page (Attachment #1) of this RFP. If delays in the procurement process result in a change to the anticipated Contract Effective Date, the bidder agrees to accept a contract for the full term of the contract. The contract may be extended for all or part of [BUYER: INSERT; i.e., two (2), etc.] one-year periods, by the mutual written consent of the contractor and the University's Vice President of Finance and Treasurer.~~

5.3 CONTRACT TRANSITION

In the event that a new contract has not been awarded prior to the contract expiration date, as may be extended herein, it shall be incumbent upon the contractor to continue the contract under the same terms and conditions until a new contract can be completely operational. At no time shall this transition period extend more than ninety (90) days beyond the expiration date of the contract.

5.4 CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Any changes or modifications to the terms of the contract shall be valid only when they have been reduced to writing and signed by the contractor and the University's Vice President for Finance and Treasurer.

5.5 CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY

The contractor is responsible for the quality, technical accuracy, timely completion and delivery of all deliverables and other services to be furnished by the contractor under the contract. The contractor agrees to perform in a good, skillful and timely manner all services set forth in the contract.

The contractor shall, without additional compensation, correct or revise any errors, omissions, or other deficiencies in its services and deliverables furnished under the contract. The approval of interim deliverables furnished under the contract shall not in any way relieve the contractor of fulfilling all of its obligations under the contract. The acceptance or payment for any of the services rendered under the contract shall not be construed as a waiver by the University, of any rights under the agreement or of any cause of action arising out of the contractor's performance of the contract.

The acceptance of, approval of or payment for any of the services performed by the contractor under the contract shall not constitute a release or waiver of any claim the University has or may have for latent defects or errors or other breaches of warranty or negligence.

5.6 ITEMS ORDERED AND DELIVERED

The contractor is authorized to ship only those items covered by the contract resulting from this RFP. If a review of orders placed by University user departments 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 University's Vice President for Finance and Treasurer as a basis to terminate the contract and/or as a basis not to award the contractor a subsequent contract. The University's Vice President for Finance and Treasurer may take such steps as are necessary to have the items returned to the contractor, 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.

The contract involves items which are necessary for the continuation of ongoing critical University services. Any delay in delivery of these items would disrupt University services and would 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.

5.7 REMEDIES FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH MATERIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

In the event that the contractor fails to comply with any material contract requirements, the University's Vice President for Finance and Treasurer may take steps to terminate the contract in accordance with the provisions herein and/or authorize the delivery of contract items by any available means, with the difference between the price paid and the defaulting contractor's price either being deducted from any monies due the defaulting contractor or being an obligation owed the University by the defaulting contractor.

5.8 MANUFACTURING/PACKAGING REQUIREMENTS

- All products must conform in every respect to the standards and regulations established by Federal and New Jersey State laws.
- All products shall be manufactured and packaged under modern sanitary conditions in accordance with federal and state law and standard industry practice.
- All products are to be packaged in sizes as specified in this RFP and shall be packaged in such a manner as to ensure delivery in first class condition and properly marked for identification. All shipments must be comprised of original cartons associated with the commercial industry represented by the actual product contained within each carton. Deliveries containing re-used, re-labeled, re-worked or alternate cartons are subject to rejection by the University at the contractor's expense.

6.0 PROPOSAL EVALUATION

6.1 EVALUATION CRITERIA

The following criteria will be used to evaluate all bid proposals that meet the requirements of this RFP. The criteria are not necessarily listed in order of importance:

- Technical Specifications of equipment
- Price
- Delivery

6.2 ORAL PRESENTATION AND/OR CLARIFICATION OF BID PROPOSAL

After the submission of bid proposals, unless requested by the University as noted below, bidder contact with the University is still not permitted.

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

The purpose of such communication with the 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 proposal. Original bid proposals submitted, however, cannot be supplemented, changed, or corrected in any way. No comments regarding other bid proposals are permitted. Bidders may not attend presentations made by their competitors.

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

6.3 BID DISCREPANCIES

In evaluating bid proposals:

Discrepancies between words and figures will be resolved in favor of words.

Discrepancies between unit prices and totals of unit prices will be resolved in favor of unit prices.

Discrepancies in the multiplication of units of work and unit prices will be resolved in favor of the unit prices.

Discrepancies between the indicated total of multiplied unit prices and units of work and the actual total will be resolved in favor of the actual total.

Discrepancies between the indicated sum of any column of figures and the correct sum thereof will be resolved in favor of the corrected sum of the column of figures.

7.0 CONTRACT AWARD

The contract award shall be made with reasonable promptness by written notice to that responsible bidder, whose bid proposal, conforming to this RFP, is most advantageous to the University, price, and other factors considered. The University reserves the right to reject any or all bids, or to award in whole or in part, if deemed to be in the best interest of the University to do so. Furthermore, the University reserves the right to waive any other bid requirement in their sole discretion when such waiver is in the best interest of the University and where such waiver is permitted by law.

7.1 DOCUMENTS/APPROVALS REQUIRED BEFORE CONTRACT AWARD FINALIZATION

~~(If Performance and Payment Bonds are required, the Buyer should include the following):~~

7.1.1 PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS

~~The successful Bidder shall furnish within ten (10) calendar days after Contract Execution a Performance Bond in statutory form in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the total contract price as security for the faithful performance of the Contract and a Payment Bond in statutory form in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price as security for the payment of all persons and firms performing labor and furnishing materials in connection with the Contract. The Performance Bond and the Payment Bond may be in one or in separate instruments in accordance with the law. No Contract shall be executed unless and until each Bond is submitted to and approved by the University and the Surety must be presently authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey. The Surety's obligation shall continue beyond final acceptance to the extent that the Contractor may have such an obligation.~~

~~The cost of Bonds shall be the sole responsibility the Contractor. If at any time the University, for justifiable cause is, dissatisfied with any Surety or Sureties that have issued or proposed to issue the Performance or Payment Bonds, the Contractor shall within ten (10) days after notice from the University to do so, substitute an acceptable Bond (or Bonds) in such form and sum and executed by such other Surety or Sureties as may be satisfactory to the University. The premiums of such Bond shall be paid by the Contractor. No Contract shall be executed and/or payment made under a Contract until the new Surety or Sureties have furnished such an acceptable Bond to the University. Bonds must be legally effective as of the date the contract is signed. Bonds must~~

~~indicate Contractors' names exactly as they appear on the Contract. Current Attorney in Fact Instruments and financial statements of the Surety must be included with the Bond. Bonds must be executed by an authorized Officer of the Surety. Bonds furnished under this article shall conform in all respects to the requirements and language of N.J.S.A.2A:44-143 to 147.~~

7.1.2 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

The bidder recommended for contract award is required to submit a copy of its Certificate of Employee Information or a copy of Federal Letter of Approval, verifying that the bidder is operating under a federally approved or sanctioned Affirmative Action program. If the bidder has neither document of Affirmative Action evidence, then the bidder must complete an Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (AA-302). This requirement is a precondition to entering into a University contract. The Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (AA-302) is located at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/forms/AA_%20Supplement.pdf.

7.1.3 POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

- a) The University may contract to procure from any vendor services or any material, supplies or equipment, or to acquire, sell or lease any land or building, where the value of the transaction exceeds \$17,500, if the vendor has solicited or made any contribution of money, or pledge of contribution, including in-kind contributions to a candidate committee and/or election fund of any candidate for or holder of the public office of Governor, or to any State or county political party committee during certain specified time periods
- b) Prior to awarding the contract to a bidder, the bidder proposed as the intended awardee of the contract shall submit the Certification and Disclosure form, certifying that no contributions prohibited by the Legislation have been made by the bidder and reporting all contributions the bidder made during the preceding four years to any political organization organized under 26 U.S.C.527 of the Internal Revenue Code that also meets the definition of a "continuing political committee" within the mean of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-3(n) and N.J.A.C. 19:25-1.7. The required form and instructions, available for review at <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/forms.htm#eo134>, shall be provided to the intended awardee for completion and submission to Procurement Services. The intended awardee shall submit the completed Certification and Disclosure(s) within five (5) business days to the assigned Procurement Services buyer. Failure to submit the required forms will preclude award of a contract under this RFP.
- c) Further, the intended awardee is required, on a continuing basis, to report any contributions it makes during the term of the contract, and any extension(s) thereof, at the time any such contribution is made. The required form and instructions, available for review at <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/forms.htm#eo134>.

7.1.3.1 STATE TREASURER APPROVAL

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.

7.1.3.2 ADDITIONAL POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

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 P.L. 2005, c. 271, section 3 if the contractor receives contracts 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.

7.1.4 INSURANCE CERTIFICATES

The bidder recommended for contract award shall provide the assigned Procurement Services buyer with current certificates of insurance for all coverage required by Section 2.3 of the University's Standard Contract Terms and Conditions, Appendix 1.

7.1.5 VENDORS RIGHT TO PROTEST AWARD OF CONTRACT

A vendor who submits a proposal in response to an advertised RFP may submit a written protest to the Director of Procurement of the University setting forth in detail the specific grounds for challenging the award. The protest shall be filed within 10 business days following the vendor's receipt of written notification, sent either by certified mail or facsimile transmission, that its bid was not accepted or of notice of the decision to award the contract. Any protest filed after the 10 day period may be disregarded. If the contract award is protested, the University may proceed to award the contract if the failure to award will result in substantial cost to the University or if public exigency so requires. All contract awards will be posted on the Procurement Services website <http://www.montclair.edu/procurement/awardedcontracts/index.html>.

APPENDIX #1
MONCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY
STANDARD CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

I. The contractor certifies that it understands and agrees that the following terms and conditions (collectively the "University's Standard Terms and Conditions") are incorporated into any contract awarded by the University.

II. In the event the terms and conditions within the contractor's proposal conflict with the University's Standard Terms and Conditions, the University's Standard Terms and Conditions will govern.

III. The contractor's status pursuant to the contract shall be that of an independent contractor and not an employee of the University.

1. LAWS REQUIRING MANDATORY COMPLIANCE BY ALL UNIVERSITY CONTRACTORS

1.1 BUSINESS REGISTRATION (Contracts in excess of \$4,245)

a. All New Jersey and out of State Corporations must obtain a Business Registration Certificate (BRC) from the Department of the Treasury, Division of Revenue prior to conducting business in the State of New Jersey. The contractor must provide proof of a valid and current business registration with the Division of Revenue to the University's Procurement Services Department before starting work under the contract. Any questions in this regard can be directed to the Division of Revenue at (609) 292-1730. Form NJ-REG. can be filed online at www.state.nj.us/njbgs/services/html.

b. All sub-contractors of the contractor must provide the contractor with a copy of a current and valid Business Registration Certificate. The contractor must forward the Business Registration Certificates of all subcontractors to the University's Procurement Services Department prior to any subcontractor starting work under the contract.

1.2 ANTI-DISCRIMINATION – The contractor agrees not to discriminate in employment and agrees to abide by all anti-discrimination laws including those contained within N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 through N.J.S.A. 10:2-4, N.J.S.A.10:5-1 et seq. and N.J.S.A.10:5-31 through 10:5-38, and all rules and regulations issued there under.

1.3 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 by the University, except those contracts which are not within the scope of the Act. The contractor's acceptance of the University's Standard Terms and Conditions is his guarantee that neither he nor any subcontractor he might employ to perform the work has been suspended or debarred by the Commissioner, Department of Labor for violation of the provisions of the Prevailing Wage Act.

1.4 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT - The contractor must comply with all provisions of the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA), P.L. 101-336, in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq. 1.4

1.5 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 the contract. Therefore, all goods offered for purchase to the University must be labeled by the contractor in compliance with the provisions of the Act.

1.6 OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE – No contract can be issued by the University unless the contractor has completed an Ownership Disclosure Form, disclosing the names and addresses of all its owners holding 10% or more of the corporation or partnership's stock or interest. Refer to N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2.

1.7 COMPLIANCE - LAWS - The contractor must comply with all local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations applicable to the contract and to the goods delivered and/or services performed under the contract.

COMPLIANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 et seq. (“Pay to Play” Act). The University’s Procurement Services Department will provide the selected contractor with a “Contractor’s Certification and Disclosure of Political Contribution Form” to complete. The Procurement Services Department will forward the completed Form to the State Treasurer or his designee for review pursuant to the Act. In the event the State Treasurer determines that the Act precludes a contract award to the selected contractor, a contract award will not be made.

In the event a contract award is made, the contractor is under a continuing duty to disclose all contributions that may be made during the term of the contract. In such event, the contractor must immediately complete the Continuing Disclosure of Political Contributions Form and submit the completed Form to the University’s Procurement Services Department. All forms and instructions are available from the University’s Procurement Services Department.

1.9 POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE BY CONTRACTOR- If the contract is in excess of \$17,500, the contractor must comply with P.L. 2005, c.271, by completing and submitting to the University’s Procurement Services Department the required Chapter 271 Political Contribution Disclosure Forms, before the effective date of the contract. Failure to comply with this political contribution disclosure requirement may result in the cancellation of the contract award and/or imposition of financial penalties by the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (“ELEC”). Additional information about this requirement is available from ELEC at 888-313-3532 or at <http://www.elec.state.nj.us/>.

1.10 CONTRACTOR ANNUAL ELEC DISCLOSURE OBLIGATION- 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 P.L. 2005, c. 271, section 3 if the contractor receives contracts 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 <http://www.elec.state.nj.us/>.

1.11. SET-OFF FOR STATE TAXES AND CHILD SUPPORT- Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:49-19, if the contractor is entitled to payment under the contract at the same time as it is indebted for any State tax (or is otherwise indebted to the State) or child support, the State Treasurer may set off that

payment by the amount of the indebtedness.

2. LIABILITIES

2.1 LIABILITY - COPYRIGHT - The contractor shall hold and save the University and the State of New Jersey, their respective 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 composition, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, article or appliance furnished or used in the performance of his contract.

2.2 INDEMNIFICATION - The contractor shall assume all risk of and responsibility for, and agrees to indemnify, defend, and save harmless the University and the State of New Jersey and their respective employees from and against any and all claims, demands, suits, actions, recoveries, judgments and costs and expenses in connection therewith on account of the loss of life, property or injury or damage to the person, body or property of any person or persons whatsoever, which shall arise from or result directly or indirectly from the work and/or materials supplied under this contract. This indemnification obligation is not limited by, but is in addition to the insurance obligations herein.

2.3 INSURANCE - The selected bidder shall secure and maintain in force for the term of the contract liability insurance as provided herein. The selected bidder shall provide the University's Procurement Services Department current certificates of insurance for all coverage and renewals thereof which must contain the proviso that the insurance provided in the certificate shall not be canceled for any reason except after written notice to the University's Procurement Services Department.

The insurance to be provided by the contractor for the term of the contract and any agreed upon extension thereof shall be as follows.

Commercial General Liability policy as broad as the standard coverage forms in use in the State of New Jersey which shall not be circumscribed by any endorsements limiting the breadth of coverage.

The limits of liability for bodily injury and property damage shall not be less than \$1 million per occurrence as a combined single limit.

Automobile liability insurance which shall be written to cover any automobile used by the insured. Limits of liability for bodily injury and property damage shall not be less than \$1 million per occurrence as a combined single limit.

Worker's Compensation Insurance applicable to the laws of the State of New Jersey and Employers Liability Insurance with limits not less than

\$1,000,000 BODILY INJURY, EACH OCCURRENCE

\$1,000,000 DISEASE EACH EMPLOYEE

\$1,000,000 DISEASE AGGREGATE LIMIT

3. CONTRACT EXTENSION

In the event the contract has an extension option and the University determines that it is in the best interest of the University to extend the contract, the contractor will be so notified at least 30 days prior to the expiration date of the existing contract. The contractor shall have 15 calendar days to respond to the extension request. If the contractor agrees to the extension, all terms and conditions of the original contract, including price, will be applicable.

4. CONTRACT TERMINATION

a. Change of Circumstance:

Notwithstanding any provision or language in this contract to the contrary, where the needs of the University significantly change, or the contract is otherwise deemed no longer to be in the University's interest, the University may terminate the contract upon 30 days written notice to the contractor.

b. For cause:

1. Where the contractor fails to perform or comply with a contract, the University may terminate the contract upon 10 days notice to the contractor with an opportunity to respond.
2. Where a contractor continues to perform a contract poorly as demonstrated by documented late delivery, poor performance of service, short-shipping etc., the University may terminate the contract upon 10 days notice to the contractor.

In the event of contract termination under a. above i.e. Change of Circumstance, the contractor will be compensated by the University for Goods and/or services satisfactorily performed and accepted in accordance with the contract, up to the date of termination.

In the event of termination of the contract under b. above, i.e. For Cause, the University may acquire the goods and/or services which are the subject of the terminated contract from another source. If the price paid is greater than the contract price, the University may deduct the difference in price from any monies due the terminated contractor or, if no monies are due the terminated contractor, the difference in price shall be an obligation owed the University by the terminated contractor.

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 University. Such consent, if granted, shall not relieve the contractor of any of his responsibilities under the contract.

Nothing contained in the specifications shall be construed as creating a contractual relationship between any subcontractor and the University.

PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE

The contractor certifies that:

- a. 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 manufacturer's recommendations and standard practice.
- b. All equipment supplied to the University that is operated by electrical current is UL listed where applicable.
- c. All new machines are to be guaranteed as fully operational for the period stated in the contractor's proposal from time of written acceptance by the University. The contractor will render prompt service without charge, regardless of geographic location.
- d. During the warranty period, the contractor shall replace immediately any material which is rejected for failure to meet the requirements of the contract.
- e. All services rendered to the University shall be performed in strict and full accordance with the specifications stated in the contract.

DELIVERY GUARANTEE

All items contracted for are 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 the University. The University reserves the right to deduct from the Contractor's invoice all charges incurred by the University in the event any items are shipped and delivered on a "Collect" basis via common carrier in lieu of the specified F.O.B. Destination.

The contractor is responsible for the delivery of material in first class condition to the University in accordance with good commercial practice. The contractor shall only ship those items and quantities that are covered by contract. If a review of material received indicates that material other than that covered by the contract has been ordered and delivered, the University will take such steps as are necessary to have the material returned, regardless of the time lapsed between delivery and discovery of the violation. Compliance with this requirement is the full responsibility of the contractor.

The University shall accept deliveries during normal business hours, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on normal business days (Monday through Friday).

All items must be delivered into and placed at a point within the buildings as directed by the University. Notification must be given 24 hours in advance on any single item weighing over 500 pounds by calling the University's Central Receiving at 973-655-4359.

Unloading and the placing of any supplies or equipment at specified site is the sole responsibility of the contractor. The contractor shall notify the assigned trucker for implementation of this requirement at no additional cost to the University.

In the event delivery of goods or services is not made within the number of days contracted, the University's Procurement Services Department may authorize the purchase of the goods and services from any available source. If the price paid is greater than the contract price, the University may deduct the difference in price from any monies due the defaulting contractor or, if no monies are due the defaulting contractor, the difference in price shall be an obligation owed the University by the defaulting contractor.

MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

The contractor shall maintain records for products and/or services delivered against the contract for a period of three (3) years from the date of final payment. Such records shall be made available to the University upon request for purposes of conducting an audit or for ascertaining information regarding dollar volume or number of transactions.

PRICE FLUCTUATION DURING CONTRACT

In the event of a contractor's price decrease during the contract period, the University shall receive the full benefit of such price reduction on any undelivered purchase order and on any subsequent order placed during the contract period.

TAX CHARGES

The University is exempt from State sales or use taxes and Federal excise taxes. Prices charged must not include such taxes.

PAYMENT TO CONTRACTOR

Payment for goods and/or services purchased by the University will be made to the contractor within 30 days of the later of an acceptable invoice from the contractor or the University's acceptance of the contracted products and/or services.

STANDARDS PROHIBITING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The following prohibitions on contractor activities shall apply to all contracts or purchase agreements made with the University, pursuant to Executive Order No. 189 (1988):

- a. The contractor shall not 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 University officer or employee or to any member of the immediate family, as defined by N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13i., of any such University officer or employee, or partnership, firm or corporation with which they are employed or associated, or in which such University officer or employee has an interest within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13g.
- b. The solicitation of any fee, commission, compensation, gift, gratuity or other thing of value by any University officer or employee from the contractor shall be reported in writing forthwith by the contractor to the Attorney General and the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards.

c. The contractor may not, 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 contractor to, any University officer or employee having any duties or responsibilities in connection with the purchase, acquisition or sale of any property or services by or to the University, or with any person, firm or entity with which he or she is employed or associated or in which he or she has an interest within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 52:13D-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 University officer or employee upon a finding that the present or proposed relationship does not present the potential, actuality or appearance of a conflict of interest.

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

e. No vendor shall cause or influence, or attempt to cause or influence, any University officer or employee to use, or attempt to use, his or her official position to secure unwarranted privileges or advantages for the vendor or any other person.

f. The provisions cited above in paragraph 12a. through 12e. shall not be construed to prohibit a University officer or employee from receiving gifts from or contracting with vendors under the same terms and conditions as are offered or made available to members of the general public promulgate under paragraph 12c.

13. NOTICES: All notices required under this contract shall be in writing and shall be validly and sufficiently served by the University upon the contractor if addressed and mailed by certified mail to the address set forth in the contractor's proposal. Notices from the contractor to the University shall be addressed and mailed by certified mail to the attention of the Director, Procurement Services Department, Montclair State University, 855 Valley Road, Suite 112, Clifton, N.J. 07013.

14. CLAIMS

Claims asserted 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.

15. APPLICABLE LAW: The contract and all litigation arising from or related to the contract 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.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

NAME

TITLE

COMPANY NAME

DATE

ATTACHMENT # 1 - RFP SIGNATURE PAGE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 822	
FOR: Laser System : <u>Nd: YAG Nanosecond Pulsed Laser or equivalent.</u>	RETURN BID PROPOSAL TO: OFFICE OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY 855 VALLEY ROAD, SUITE 112 CLIFTON, NJ 07013
ESTIMATED AMOUNT: \$ _____ CONTRACT EFFECTIVE DATE: _____ CONTRACT EXPIRATION DATE: _____	PROCUREMENT SERVICES BUYER: Cecilia Hetzer TEL #: (973) 655-7858 FAX#: (973) 655-5468
1. BID PROPOSALS MUST BE RECEIVED AT OR BEFORE THE PUBLIC OPENING TIME OF <u>10:00 am</u> ON <u>April 17, 2009</u> AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS (NOTE: TELEPHONE, TELEFACSIMILE OR TELEGRAPH PROPOSALS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED): OFFICE OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY 855 VALLEY ROAD, SUITE 112 CLIFTON, NJ 07013	
2. THE BIDDER MUST SIGN THIS RFP SIGNATURE PAGE. 3. THE BID PROPOSAL MUST INCLUDE ALL PRICE INFORMATION. PROPOSAL PRICES SHALL INCLUDE DELIVERY OF ALL ITEMS. F.O.B. DESTINATION OR AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED. PRICE QUOTES MUST BE FIRM THROUGH ISSUANCE OF CONTRACT. 4. ALL PROPOSAL PRICES MUST BE TYPED OR WRITTEN IN INK. 5. ALL CORRECTIONS, WHITE-OUTS, ERASURES, RESTRIKING OF TYPE, OR OTHER FORMS OF ALTERATION, OR THE APPREARANCE OF ALTERATION, TO UNIT AND/OR TOTAL PRICES MUST BE INITIALED IN INK BY THE BIDDER. 6. THE BIDDER MUST COMPLETE AND SUBMIT WITH BID, THE OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM (ATTACHMENT# 2), SOURCE DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATION (ATTACHMENT# 3), COMPANY QUALIFICATION CERTIFICATION (ATTACHMENT# 4) AND PRICE SHEET (ATTACHMENT# 5). 7. THE BIDDER IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE PRE-BID CONFERENCE(S) AND SITE VISIT(S). NO SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE MADE FOR THOSE NOT ATTENDING. 8. FOR SET ASIDE CONTRACTS ONLY, A BIDDER MUST BE REGISTERED WITH THE N.J. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AS A SMALL BUSINESS BY THE DATE OF BID OPENING (RFP SECTION 4.4.2.2). 9. BY SIGNING THIS RFP SIGNATURE PAGE, THE BIDDER CERTIFIES AND CONFIRMS THAT NEITHER THE BIDDER, ITS REPRESENTATIVES, AGENTS OR LOBBYISTS HAVE INITIATED ANY INAPPROPRIATE CONTACT WITH ANY UNIVERSITY EMPLOYEE DURING THE PROCUREMENT TO ATTEMPT TO AFFECT THE BIDDING PROCESS AND SHALL NOT DO SO AFTER SUBMISSION OF THE BID PROPOSAL. 10. THE BIDDER MUST BE REGISTERED WITH THE DIVISION OF REVENUE AND MUST SUBMIT A BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE (OR INTERIM REGISTRATION) WITH THE BID PROPOSAL (SEE RFP SECTION 4.4.2.1.).	
TO BE COMPLETED BY BIDDER	
11. FIRM NAME: _____ ADDRESS: _____ _____	
12. BIDDER TEL#: _____ EXT: _____	13. FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION # _____
14. BIDDER FAX#: _____	15. BIDDER E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____
SIGNATURE OF THE BIDDER ATTESTS THAT THE BIDDER HAS READ, UNDERSTANDS, AND AGREES TO ALL TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND SPECIFICATIONS SET FORTH IN THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL INCLUDING ALL ADDENDA, FURTHERMORE, SIGNATURE BY THE BIDDER SIGNIFIES THAT ADDENDA ISSUED, THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL, THE UNIVERSITY'S STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS (APPENDIX 1) AND THE RESPONSIVE BID PROPOSAL CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT IMMEDIATELY UPON NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE BY THE UNIVERSITY FOR ANY OR ALL OF THE ITEMS BID, AND FOR THE LENGTH OF TIME INDICATED IN THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL. FAILURE TO ACCEPT THE CONTRACT WITHIN THE TIME PERIOD INDICATED IN THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL, OR FAILURE TO HOLD PRICES OR TO MEET ANY OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS DEFINED IN EITHER ADDENDA OR THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL DURING THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT SHALL CONSTITUTE A BREACH AND MAY RESULT IN CONTRACT TERMINATION. A DEFAULTING CONTRACTOR MAY ALSO BE LIABLE, AT THE OPTION OF THE UNIVERSITY, FOR THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE CONTRACT PRICE AND THE PRICE BID BY AN ALTERNATE VENDOR OF THE GOODS OR SERVICES IN ADDITION TO OTHER REMEDIES AVAILABLE.	
ORIGINAL SIGNATURE OF BIDDER	DATE
PRINT/TYPE NAME	TITLE

ATTACHMENT #2



Montclair State University

OWNERSHIP/STOCKHOLDER DISCLOSURE FORM

Name of Bidder _____

Address _____

City/State _____

In the spaces provided, list the names and addresses of all owners, partners, directors, officers and indirect owners owning 10% or more interest in the Bidder's firm. If corporate owner, list in the spaces provided, stockholders or corporations whose ownership through the corporations is 10% or more of the Bidder.

Name	Street Address	City	County	State	Zip Code
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1. _____

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President for the Firm _____ Phone _____

(Type or print name)

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief that the following statements by me are true:

- () Listing of stockholders' names and addresses have been submitted to the University and is current and correct to the best of my knowledge, with the exceptions listed above.
- () The list of stockholders above is current and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- () There are no stockholders holding 10% or more interest in this corporation or firm to the best of my knowledge.

I am aware that if any of the statements are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

By: _____ Title: _____

Print Name: _____ Date: _____

ATTACHMENT 3
SOURCE DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATION

N.J.S.A. 52:34-13.2 requires that all contracts primarily for services shall be performed within the United States, except when the University Contracting Officer certifies in writing that a required service cannot be provided by the contractor or subcontractor within the United States.

SOURCE DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to the statutory requirements, all bidders responding to an advertised procurement must submit a completed Source Disclosure Certification Form with the bid proposal, disclosing the location by country where services under the contract, including subcontracted services, will be performed.

If any of the services cannot be performed within the United States, the bidder shall state with specificity the reasons why the services cannot be so performed. The University Contracting Officer shall determine whether sufficient justification has been provided by the bidder to form the basis of his certification that the services cannot be performed in the United States.

FAILURE TO SUBMIT SOURCING INFORMATION WHEN REQUESTED BY THE UNIVERSITY SHALL PRECLUDE AWARD OF THE CONTRACT TO THE BIDDER.

If during the term of the contract, the contractor or subcontractor, who had on contract award declared that services would be performed in the United States, proceeds to shift the performance of the services outside the United States, the contractor shall be deemed to be in material breach of its contract, which contract shall be subject to termination for cause, unless approved beforehand by the University Contracting Officer.

ATTACHMENT #3
SOURCE DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATION

Bidder: _____

RFP #: 822

I hereby certify and say:

I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein and am authorized to make this Certification on behalf of the bidder.

The bidder submits this Certification in response to the referenced RFP issued by the Montclair State University, in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 52:34-13.2.

Instructions:

List every location where services will be performed by the bidder and all subcontractors of the bidder. If any of the services cannot be performed within the United States, the bidder shall state with specificity the reasons why the services cannot be so performed. Attach additional pages if necessary.

Bidder and/or Subcontractor	Description of Services	Locations[s] by Country	Reasons why services cannot be performed in US
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Any changes to the information set forth in this Certification during the term of any contract awarded under the referenced solicitation or extension thereof will be immediately reported by the contractor to the Director of Procurement Services, Montclair State University.

The University Contracting Officer shall determine whether sufficient justification has been provided by the contractor to form the basis of his certification that the services cannot be performed in the United States.

I understand that if , after award of the contract, it is determined that the contractor has shifted services declared above to be provided within the United State to sources outside the United States, prior to a written determination by the University Contracting Officer that extraordinary circumstances require such shift or that the failure to shift the services would result in economic hardship to Montclair State University, the contractor shall be deemed in breach of contract, which contract will be subject to termination pursuant to the University's Standard Contract Terms and Conditions.

I further understand that this Certification is submitted on behalf of the bidder in order to induce the University to accept a bid proposal, with knowledge that the University is relying upon the truth of the statements contained herein.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing statements by me are true. I am aware that if any of the statements are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

Bidder: _____
[Name of Bidding Entity]

By: _____ Title: _____

Print Name: _____ Date: _____

ATTACHMENT #4



COMPANY QUALIFICATION CERTIFICATION

I. ORGANIZATION

Company Name: _____

Parent Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Contact Person: _____

Name

Title

Telephone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Check : () Corporation () Partnership
applicable () Sole Proprietor () Small Business- **Category 1**
 () Small Business – **Category 2** () Small Business- **Category 3**

The State of New Jersey defines Small Business for **goods and services** per NJCA12A:10A (NJCA 17:13) as follows:

- Business has no more than 100 full time employees
- Gross Annual Revenues do not exceed \$500,000 – **Category 1**
- Gross Annual Revenues do not exceed \$5,000,000 – **Category 2**
- Gross Annual Revenues do not exceed \$12,000,000 – **Category 3**
- Management owning at least 51% interest in the business
- Must be incorporated or registered to do business in New Jersey

Is your business certified as: () **Minority - MBE** () **Women Owned – WBE**

If yes, attach certification.

If MBE, specify ethnicity: _____

State of Incorporation:_____

Date of Incorporation:_____

Are you currently doing business in the State of New Jersey? () Yes () No

Number of Years in the Industry:_____

Number of Years in the College/University Industry:_____

II. TYPE OF BUSINESS

☐ Contractor

☐ Factory Representative

☐ Wholesale

☐ Distributor

☐ Consultant

☐ Retailer

☐ Manufacturer

☐ Carrier

III. PRODUCT/SERVICE CODE(S)

Commodity Codes:_____

SIC Codes:_____

Number of Employees in Company_____

Gross Annual Sales_____

State Licenses or Permits_____

IV. E-COMMERCE

Do you accept Credit Cards: ☐ YES

☐ NO

Which Types:

☐ American Express

☐ MasterCard

☐ Visa

☐ Other

EFT Capability:

☐ YES

☐ NO

Web Site Location _____

On-Line Catalog ☐ YES ☐ NO

E-Mail Capability ☐ YES ☐ NO

E-Mail Address _____

V. REFERENCES

List all contracts of similar size and scope to the contract that is being solicited in this RFP that the bidder has held in the last year. For each contract listed provide the contractor's name, address, telephone number and a contact name (use additional sheets if necessary).

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VI. COMMENTS:

Include details, which clearly explain the services your company provides; also describe the characteristics of your company including relevant accomplishments.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing statements by me are true. I am aware that if any of the statements are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

Bidder: _____

[Name of Bidding Entity]

By: _____

Title: _____

Print Name: _____

Date: _____

ATTACHMENT #5

PRICE SHEET(S)

RFP #822 - Laser System for the College of Chemistry and Biochemistry

Purchase, Delivery and Installation of:

Laser System - Nd: YAG Nanosecond Pulsed Laser or equivalent.

\$ _____

1 year Service Agreement after warranty expires \$ _____

An 18 months warranty for the laser system that covers all parts and labor must be provided. During the warranty period the awarded vendor shall replace immediately any material which is rejected for failure to meet the requirements of the contract. *Bidder to disclose complete warranty coverage and exclusions on separate sheet*.

TOTAL \$ _____