



## ST. TAMMANY PARISH

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### NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

#### ST. TAMMANY PARISH

St. Tammany Parish Government is seeking responses for the following project:

#### **RFP# 24-4-3 – Home Repair Program**

This RFP is available online at: LaPAC – Louisiana Procurement and Contract

Network:<https://www.cfprd.doa.louisiana.gov/osp/lapac/dspBid.cfm?search=department&term=185>

It is the Proposer's responsibility to check the LaPAC website frequently for any possible addenda that may be issued. The Parish is not responsible for a proposer's failure to download any addenda documents required to complete an RFP.

Responses will be received by the Department of Procurement, **until 2:00pm CST Tuesday, April 23, 2024**. RFP responses will be opened publicly at the physical location as stated in Section 1.4 of the RFP documents and only respondents who have submitted an RFP response shall be identified aloud. Prices shall not be read. Each response will be evaluated by designated Parish personnel after the submission deadline and public opening has passed.

Each Proposal must be sealed. The outside of the envelope, box or package should be marked with the Proposer's Name and Address, the Proposal Name, the RFP #, and the Proposal Opening Date. The successful Respondent must supply St. Tammany Parish Government with all required documentation as specified in the RFP documents. Said Respondent must also be in Good Standing and licensed to do business in the State of Louisiana.

Proposals will be received at the St. Tammany Parish Government Department of Procurement Office, 21454 Koop Dr., Suite 2F, Mandeville LA., 70471 from each Respondent or his agent, or by certified mail with return receipt requested.

Procurement Department

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**  
**ST. TAMMANY PARISH GOVERNMENT**  
**HOME REPAIR PROGRAM**



**RFP Number: 24-4-3**

**Proposal Opening Date: Tuesday, April 23, 2024**

**Proposal Opening Time: 2:00 PM**

**March 12, 2024**

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# REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR HOME REPAIR PROGRAM

## PART I: OVERVIEW

### 1.1 Background/Purpose

The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to obtain proposals from qualified Proposers who are interested in providing home repair services. Providers will provide administrative and construction management services.

The St. Tammany Parish Home Repair Program (STPHRP) will concentrate on health and safety concerns in the existing housing stock. The program will concentrate on owner occupied homes bringing the homes into compliance with the St. Tammany Parish Building Codes.

Submittal of a proposal does not create any right or expectation to a contract with the Parish.

### 1.2 Definitions

- A. Shall – The term “shall” denotes mandatory requirements.
- B. Must - The term “must” denotes mandatory requirements.
- C. May - The term “may” denotes an advisory or permissible action.
- D. Should – The term “should” denotes a desirable action.
- E. Contractor – A Proposer who contracts with the Parish.
- F. Parish - St. Tammany Parish Government.
- G. Discussions- For the purposes of this RFP, a formal, structured means of conducting written or oral communications/presentations with responsible Proposers who submit proposals in response to this RFP.
- H. RFP – Request for Proposal.
- I. Proposer – Person or entity responding to this RFP.
- J. Agreement – A contract between the Contractor and the Parish.
- K. Evaluation Committee – Committee established for the purposes of evaluating proposals submitted in response to this RFP.

### 1.3 Schedule of Events

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time (CT)</u>
1. RFP Available	March 20, 2024	8:00 AM
2. Pre-Proposal Conference (if required):*	Not Applicable to this RFP	
3. Deadline to receive written inquiries	April 12,2024	2:00 PM
4. Deadline to answer written inquiries	April 18,2024	2:00 PM
5. Proposal Opening Date (deadline for submitting proposals)	April 23, 2024	2.00 PM
6. Oral discussions with proposers, if applicable		TBD
7. Notice of Intent to Award to be mailed		TBD
8. Contract Initiation		TBD

**NOTE: The Parish reserves the right to revise this schedule. Any such revision will be formalized by the issuance of an addendum to the RFP.**

### 1.4 Proposal Submittal

This RFP is available online at: LaPAC – Louisiana Procurement and Contract Network:<https://wwwcfprd.doa.louisiana.gov/osp/lapac/dspBid.cfm?search=department&term=185>

**NOTE:** LaPAC is the State’s online electronic solicitation notification system on the Office of State Procurement website. LaPAC provides an immediate e-mail notification to subscribing vendors of a STPGOV solicitation and any addenda posted. To receive the e-mail notification, vendors must register in the LaGov portal. Registration is intuitive at the following link: [https://lagoverpvendor.doa.louisiana.gov/irj/portal/anonymous?guest\\_user=self\\_reg](https://lagoverpvendor.doa.louisiana.gov/irj/portal/anonymous?guest_user=self_reg)

It is the Proposer’s responsibility to check the LaPAC website frequently for any possible addenda that may be issued. The Parish is not responsible for a proposer’s failure to download any addenda documents required to complete an RFP.

All proposals shall be received by the Procurement Department **no later than the date and time shown in the Schedule of Events.**

**Important - - Clearly mark outside of the sealed envelope, box or package with the following information and format:**

- X     **Name and Address of Proposer**
- X     **Proposal Name: HOME REPAIR PROGRAM**
- X     **RFP #: 24-4-3**
- X     **Proposal Opening Date: Tuesday, April 23, 2024**

Proposals may only be sent via certified mail, hand-delivery or courier service to our physical location at:

St. Tammany Parish Government Procurement Department  
21454 Koop Drive, Suite 2F  
Mandeville, Louisiana 70471

Proposer is solely responsible for ensuring that its courier service provider makes inside deliveries to our physical location. The Parish is not responsible for any delays caused by the proposer's chosen means of proposal delivery.

Proposer is solely responsible for the timely delivery of its proposal. Failure to meet the proposal opening date and time shall result in rejection of the proposal.

**PROPOSALS SHALL BE OPENED PUBLICLY AT THE PHYSICAL LOCATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE AND ONLY PROPOSERS SUBMITTING PROPOSALS SHALL BE IDENTIFIED ALOUD. PRICES SHALL NOT BE READ.**

If the Proposer **has not** done business with the Parish, the Proposer should submit a **W-9** with their response.

### **1.5 Proposal Response Format**

Proposals submitted for consideration should follow the format and order of presentation described below:

- A.     **Cover Letter:** The cover letter should exhibit the Proposer's understanding and approach to the project. It should contain a summary of Proposer's ability to perform the services described in the RFP and confirm that Proposer is willing to perform those services and enter into a contract with the Parish.

**ATTENTION:** Please indicate in the Cover Letter which of the following applies to the signer of this proposal. Evidence of signature authority shall be provided upon the Parish's request.

1. The signer of the proposal is either a corporate officer who is listed on the most current annual report on file with the secretary of state **or** a member



of a partnership or partnership in commendam as reflected in the most current partnership records on file with the secretary of state. **A copy of the annual report or partnership record must be submitted to the Parish before contract award.**

2. The signer of the proposal is a representative of the Proposer authorized to submit this proposal as evidenced by documents such as, corporate resolution, certification as to corporate principal, etc. **If this applies, a copy of the resolution, certification or other supportive documents must be submitted to the Parish before contract award.**

The cover letter should also:

1. Identify the submitting Proposer and provide its federal tax identification number;
2. Identify the name, title, address, telephone number, fax number, and email address of each person authorized by the Proposer to contractually obligate the Proposer; and
3. Identify the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and email address of the contact person for technical and contractual clarifications throughout the evaluation period.

- B. **Table of Contents:** Organized in the order cited in the format contained herein.
- C. **Proposer Qualifications and Experience:** History and background of Proposer, related services provided to government entities, existing customer satisfaction, volume of merchants, etc. Proposer should specifically provide a description of all relevant assignments similar to the Project requested herein which have been completed by the Proposer within the last three (3) years (“Recent Projects”).

The description of any such Recent Projects should include the following:

1. Name of the client;
2. Year of the assignment and length of time to complete the project;
3. Nature of the services rendered; and
4. Professionals assigned to the project who are also proposed to serve on this assignment.

- D. **Proposed Solution/Technical Response:** Illustrating and describing proposed technical solution and compliance with the RFP requirements as described in
- E. **Innovative Concepts:** Presentation of innovative concepts, if any, for consideration.
- F. **Project Schedule:** Detailed schedule of implementation plan. This schedule is to include implementation actions, timelines, responsible parties, etc.
- G. **Financial Proposal:** Proposer’s fees and other costs, if any, shall be submitted on Attachment “A”. Prices proposed shall be firm for the duration of

the contract. This financial proposal shall include any and all costs the Proposer wishes to have considered in the contractual arrangement with the Parish.

- H. **References:** Proposer should provide names, addresses, telephone numbers and contact persons for five (5) other public jurisdictions for which comparable services have recently been rendered, including a description of the services provided.
- I. **Customer Service:** Each Proposer should submit a provision for customer service, including personnel assigned, toll-free number, and account inquiry, etc.
- J. **Resumes:** Each Proposer should submit resumes for account manager, designated customer service representative(s) and any other key personnel to be assigned to this Project, including those of subcontractors, if any.
- K. **Additional Information:** Each Proposer should submit any other information deemed pertinent by the Proposer including terms and conditions which the Proposer wishes the Parish to consider.
- L. **Acknowledgment and Waiver:** Proposer shall execute and have notarized an Acknowledgment and Waiver (Attachment "B" hereto).
- M. **Multiple Copies of Response:** Each Proposer shall submit one (1) signed original response. Four (4) additional copies of the proposal should be provided and **one (1) electronic copy via USB.**

## **PART II: SCOPE OF WORK/SERVICES**

### **2.1 Scope of Work/Services**

The successful respondent will be required to comply with the following program goals and objectives as well as adhere to the types of assistance and priority repairs listed below:

#### Program Goals and Objectives

The goal of the STPHRP is to improve the quality of life for LMI residents by improving the health and safety of occupants of the owner-occupied dwelling.

Specific objectives for achieving this goal include:

Objectives that provide benefit for the entire Parish:

1. Preserve the existing housing stock.
2. Prompt the revitalization of neighborhoods.
3. Conserve the property tax base.

Objectives that benefit neighborhoods:

1. Expand housing alternatives.
2. Encourage other improvements to neighborhoods.
3. Discourage the abandonment of Homes.
4. Conserve the property tax base.

Objectives that benefit individual homeowners:

1. Benefit homeowners in the LMI category who need Home repair.
2. Remove health and safety hazards for the occupant family
3. Reduce utility costs.
4. Sustain a suitable living environment for the occupant family and their descendants.

Types of Assistance/Priority Repairs

The types of work to be provided under this Home Repair Program include the following:

- Roof repairs and/or replacement to keep the Home dry and free from rot;
- Safety and emergency repairs needed to positively impact the safety or health of the occupying family, including repair of electrical hazards, plumbing repairs that upgrade the safety and health of the drinking water system and the sewerage treatment system;
- Improvements needed to assist the mobility or safety of a permanently handicapped or disabled resident of the home;
- Improvements necessary to provide adequate heat and ventilation for a housing unit
- Improvements to promote energy efficiency
- Repairs to substantially rotted or broken sills and joists that impact the stability and safety of the home foundation; and
- Use of Universal Design principles when possible.

The types of work not provided under this Home Repair Program include the following:

- New construction
- Renters
- Homes constructed before 1978
- Homes located within FEMA Flood Zones that are designated as “high risk.” Flood zones designated as “high risk” include flood zones A, AE, A1-30, AH, AO, AR, A99, V, VE, V1-30. HOMEholds that are located in flood zones B, C, and/or X are eligible for assistance. Flood zone information for a specific address can be located on the following Website: [http://maps.lsuagcenter.com/la\\_floodmaps/](http://maps.lsuagcenter.com/la_floodmaps/)

Improvements may not bring the entire structure into compliance with codes. This Home Repair Program will concentrate its efforts on minor repairs or replacements, along with exterior damage to windows and doors, and emergency repairs impacting the owner’s health and safety.

The STPHRP prior approval must be obtained whenever additional funds are needed in excess of \$15,000 to repair the home. The STPHRP will be supervised by the designated Program Manager in the STP Grants Department.

This project is federally grant funded and therefore requires the Proposer to have a Unique Entity Identification number (UEI). The Proposer should submit with their response their UEI number. If the Proposer does not have a UEI already, then they must register at the below link before an award can be made.

<https://sam.gov/content/entity-registration>

## **2.2 Period of Agreement**

The contract term will be one (1) year with the option of two (2) additional one (1) year extensions. The term of any contract resulting from this solicitation shall begin on the date of the Parish President's signature or approval in writing by the Parish President or designee. The contract shall terminate pursuant to the terms and conditions of section 5.31 herein, the terms and conditions of the contract, operation of law, as agreed between the parties, or upon satisfactory completion of all services and obligations described in the contract.

## **2.3 Price Schedule**

Prices proposed by the Proposers shall be firm for the term of the contract.

## **2.4 Deliverables**

The deliverables listed in this section are the minimum desired from the successful Proposer. Every Proposer should describe what deliverables will be provided per their proposal and how the proposed deliverables will be provided.

## **2.5 Location**

The location(s) the work/delivery/service is to be performed, completed and managed is/are at various St Tammany Parish location(s).

## **PART III: EVALUATION**

The Proposer must clearly designate that they meet each category of the scoring criteria stated below. The Proposer must briefly describe how their company satisfies the requirement and where in their response supports that requirement. Failure to comply with this requirement may negatively affect the overall score. Please refer to **Attachment "E-2"**.

The evaluation committee shall assign points to its evaluation of each Proposal as follows:

<b>Evaluation Criteria</b>	<b>Possible Points</b>
Compliance with the RFP	15
Understanding of the Project	10
Approach to the Project	15
Ability to perform within the stated timeframe	20
Qualifications of the Proposer, including, but not limited to, its experience and personnel assigned to the Project	20
Overall costs and fees to be charged	10
Certified Veterans Initiative small entrepreneurship or certified Hudson Initiative small entrepreneurship	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>

The proposal will be evaluated in light of the material and the substantiating evidence presented to the Parish, not on the basis of what may be inferred.

The scores will be combined to determine the overall score. The Proposer with the highest overall score will be recommended for award.

## **PART IV: PERFORMANCE STANDARDS**

### **4.1 Performance Requirements**

The successful respondent will:

- Maintain a client list and determine client eligibility. Eligible applicants may be added to the list only when they have submitted a completed application and have submitted the required documents.
- Work with St. Tammany Parish in environmentally clearing each home prior to any work being performed or the home being selected for the program.
- Maintain, for a period of at least five years, complete applicant and beneficiary files that contain documents including but not limited to: application; income documentation; notices to proceed; change orders; any other pertinent forms and/or information.
- Have a licensed home improvement or residential building contractor on staff, OR have access to a licensed home improvement or residential building contractor who will be responsible for project inspection and provide oversight of the construction repairs.
- Pull appropriate permits from the applicable municipal or Parish permitting entity.
- Perform the repair work in such a manner that the occupants are able to live in the home during the repair process.
- Meet applicable insurance requirements.

- Complete repairs on an agreed upon number of qualified homes within the terms of the agreement.
- Adhere to all rules, regulations, and clauses included in the CDBG subrecipient agreement (template attached).
- Adhere to the Parish's Section 3 Compliance Manual and all applicable Section 3 program requirements. (Manual available upon request.)
- Adhere to the Parish's Section 504 Compliance Manual and all applicable Section 504 program requirements. (Manual available upon request.)
- Be available to the St. Tammany Parish Department of Grants staff throughout the term of the agreement and for a period of five years after in the event that any program records are required at a later date.

The repair program will not fund repair needs that represent duplicate payments, or that have already been funded by another public, non-profit assistance, or insurance program.

Complete documentation of items requested in the application review process must be available for a Household to be considered eligible. Missing or unreported information, income, or unreported Household occupants can disqualify an applicant from eligibility approval.

**The successful respondent will be required to complete and satisfy all reporting requirements associated with the Community Development Block Grant.**

The proposed deliverables for the grant-funded project are listed below:

- Monthly beneficiary report on form provided by Grants indicating the income level, race, and ethnicity, gender of head-of-Household, disability and elderly designation of each home completed.
- Monthly invoices with materials costs broken down by each home.
- Must complete the agreed-upon number of House repairs for the year as well as the approved scope of work for each home.
- Other deliverables mutually decided upon which will be included in the subrecipient agreement.

**4.2 Performance Measurement/Evaluation**

Interested Respondents are invited to submit responses that contain the following information:

- 1) Introduction and Organization Information.
- 2) Background, Experience, and References in Subject area.
- 3) Personnel/Professional Qualifications of staff to be assigned to the project.
- 4) Budget that is capped at \$495,000. (\$455,000 direct and \$45,00 indirect).
- 5) Budget is estimated on \$15,000 in hard costs per home.
- 6) The contract will be one year with 2 additional 1 year extensions.
- 7) Provide a detailed outline on how the program will be managed and administered.

*Items 1-6 are more fully described below:*

### **1) Introduction and Firm Information**

The submittal should include:

- Describe Respondent's organization by providing its full legal name and address, date of establishment, type of entity and business expertise, and short history;
- Respondent address & telephone number;
- Respondent federal tax identification number and Unique Entity ID number;
- Name, title, address, telephone number, fax number, and email address of contact person authorized to contractually obligate the Respondent on behalf of the Respondent;
- Proof that the Respondent has or can obtain the necessary permits and licenses to perform the work under the Parish subrecipient agreement;
- List of previous contracts with parish, county, parochial or municipal governments which the Respondent failed to perform or defaulted in the past ten (10) years;
- Any other information that the Respondent feels appropriate; and
- The signature of an individual who is authorized to make offers of this nature in the name of the Respondent submitting the proposal.

### **2) Background/Experience/References**

Respondents should:

- Describe any prior engagements in which Respondent's firm assisted another governmental or private entity in providing similar services.
- Include all examples of work on similar projects as described in Part One.
- Describe any issue the characteristics of which would be uniquely relevant in evaluating the experience of Respondent's firm to handle the proposed project.
- Include written references from previous clients attesting to the quality of work Respondent cites in this section.
- Provide a list of completed projects with the names, phone numbers, and emails of contact persons in the organizations for whom any projects referenced in this section were conducted.

### **3) Personnel/Professional Qualifications**

Respondents should:

- Identify key staff members and their corresponding job classifications who would be assigned to provide the services described in the Proposal, and the functions to be performed by each.
- Describe, for each such person as stated above, previous projects on which they have worked which are relevant to the subject matter at hand.
- Provide the names, telephone numbers, and email addresses of contact persons with the firms or organizations with whom these staff members worked on such projects.
- Estimate the number of persons to be assigned to this project and their job classifications.

#### **4) Proposed Budget**

Respondents should:

- Provide a proposed budget that includes the estimated number of homes that are expected to be repaired within the \$495,000 budget, taking into consideration that there is a cap of \$15,000 in hard costs per home. (*Hard costs* are defined below.)
- Estimate shall account for approximate number of hours and staff required to complete all phases of assessment, repair work, inspection, applicant intake and review and adherence to reporting requirements.
- Estimate shall provide each labor category, hourly rate based on the labor category, and approximate number of hours to complete the work.
- Any indirect costs that are included in the program budget must be accompanied by documentation of an approved federal indirect cost rate.
  - Hard costs are defined as the physical improvements, utility connections, repairs and replacements, and energy-related improvements (not including labor).
  - Soft costs include financing fees, relocation costs, acquisition, or administrative costs.
  - Ineligible expenses include relocation costs, tools, and equipment.

#### **5) Anticipated Time to Complete Work**

Respondents should:

- Provide a proposed schedule/timeline which shows the anticipated time required to complete all tasks within a 12-month period.

#### **6) Program Management and Administration**

Respondents should:

- Provide a detailed outline on how the program will be managed and administered (i.e. application intake, records retention, completion of applicant files and paperwork, pre-inspections, completion of repair work, post-inspection, etc.).

## **PART V: GENERAL PROVISIONS**

### **5.1 Legibility/Clarity**

Responses to the requirements of this RFP in the formats requested are desirable with all questions answered in as much detail as practicable. The Proposer's response is to demonstrate an understanding of the requirements. Proposals shall be prepared providing a straightforward, concise description of the Proposer's ability to meet the requirements of the RFP. Each Proposer is solely responsible for the accuracy and completeness of its proposal.

### **5.2 Confidential Information, Trade Secrets, and Proprietary Information**

The designation of certain information as trade secrets and/or privileged or confidential proprietary information shall only apply to the technical portion of the proposal. The cost proposal will not be



considered confidential under any circumstance. Any proposal copyrighted or marked as confidential or proprietary in its entirety may be rejected without further consideration or recourse.

For the purposes of this procurement, the provisions of the Louisiana Public Records Act (LSA-R.S. 44.1, *et. seq.*) will be in effect. Pursuant to this Act, all proceedings, records, contracts, and other public documents relating to this procurement shall be open to public inspection. Proposers are reminded that while trade secrets and other proprietary information they submit in conjunction with this procurement may not be subject to public disclosure, protections must be claimed by the Proposer at the time of submission of its Technical Proposal. Proposers should refer to the Louisiana Public Records Act for further clarification.

The Proposer must clearly designate the part of the proposal that contains a trade secret and/or privileged or confidential proprietary information as “confidential” in order to claim protection, if any, from disclosure. The Proposer shall mark the cover sheet of the proposal with the following legend, specifying the specific section(s) of his proposal sought to be restricted in accordance with the conditions of the legend:

*“The data contained in pages \_\_\_\_\_ of the proposal have been submitted in confidence and contain trade secrets and/or privileged or confidential information and such data shall only be disclosed for evaluation purposes, provided that if a contract is awarded to this Proposer as a result of or in connection with the submission of this proposal, the Parish of St. Tammany shall have the right to use or disclose the data therein to the extent provided in the contract. This restriction does not limit the Parish of St. Tammany’s right to use or disclose data obtained from any source, including the Proposer, without restrictions.”*

Further, to protect such data, each page containing such data shall be specifically identified and marked “CONFIDENTIAL”.

Proposers must be prepared to defend the reasons why the material should be held confidential. If a competing proposer or other person seeks review or copies of another proposer's confidential data, the Parish will notify the owner of the asserted data of the request. If the owner of the asserted data does not want the information disclosed, it must agree to indemnify the Parish and hold the Parish harmless against all actions or court proceedings that may ensue (including attorney's fees), which seek to order the Parish to disclose the information. If the owner of the asserted data refuses to indemnify and hold the state harmless, the Parish may disclose the information.

The Parish reserves the right to make any proposal, including proprietary information contained therein, available to Parish personnel, the Parish Council, or other Parish and state agencies or organizations for the sole purpose of assisting the Parish in its evaluation of the proposal. The Parish shall require said individuals to protect the confidentiality of any specifically identified proprietary information or privileged business information obtained as a result of their participation in these evaluations.

If your proposal contains confidential information, you should also submit a redacted copy along with your proposal. If you do not submit the redacted copy, you will be required to submit this copy within 48 hours of notification from the Procurement Department. When submitting your redacted copy, you should clearly mark the cover as such - “REDACTED COPY” - to avoid having this copy reviewed by an evaluation committee member. The redacted copy should also state which sections or information have been removed.

### **5.3 Proposal Clarifications Prior to Submittal**

#### **5.3.1 Pre-proposal Conference**

*[Omitted as not applicable to this RFP].*

#### **5.3.2 Proposer Inquiry Periods**

The Parish shall not and cannot permit an open-ended inquiry period, as this creates an unwarranted delay in the procurement cycle and Parish operations. The Parish reasonably expects and requires *responsible and interested* proposers to conduct their in-depth proposal review and submit inquiries in a timely manner.

An inquiry period is hereby firmly set for all interested Proposers to perform a detailed review of the proposal documents and to submit any written inquiries relative thereto. *Without exception*, all inquiries MUST be submitted in writing by an authorized representative of the Proposer, clearly cross-referenced to the relevant solicitation section (even if an answer has already been given to an oral question during a Pre-proposal Conference). All inquiries must be received by the close of business on the Inquiry Deadline date set forth in Section 1.3 Schedule of Events of this RFP. Only those inquiries received by the established deadline shall be considered by the Parish. Inquiries received after the established deadline shall not be entertained.

Inquiries concerning this solicitation may be delivered by e-mail or hand-delivery to:

St. Tammany Parish Government Procurement Department  
Attn: Director of Procurement  
21454 Koop Drive, Suite 2F  
Mandeville, Louisiana 70471  
E-Mail: [procurement@stpgov.org](mailto:procurement@stpgov.org)

An addendum will be issued and posted on LaPAC (Louisiana Procurement and Contract Network) <https://wwwcfprd.doa.louisiana.gov/osp/lapac/dspBid.cfm?search=department&term=185> to address all inquiries received and any other changes or clarifications to the solicitation. Thereafter, all proposal documents, including but not limited to the specifications, terms, conditions, plans, etc., will stand as written and/or amended by any addendum. No negotiations, decisions, or actions shall be executed by any Proposer as a result of any oral discussions with any Parish employee or Parish consultant. It is the Proposer's responsibility to check the LaPAC website frequently for any possible addenda that may be issued. The Parish is not responsible for a Proposer's failure to download any addenda documents required to complete an RFP.

#### **5.3.3 Blackout Period**

The Blackout Period is a specified period of time during a competitive sealed procurement process in which any Proposer, Bidder, or its Agent or Representative is prohibited from communicating with any Parish employee or Contractor of the Parish involved in any step in the procurement process about the affected procurement. The Blackout Period applies not only to Parish employees, but also to any Contractor of the Parish. "Involvement" in the procurement process includes but may not be limited to project management, design, development, implementation, procurement management, development of specifications, and evaluation of proposals for a particular procurement. All solicitations for competitive

sealed procurements will identify a designated contact person, as per Section 5.3.2 of this RFP. All communications to and from potential Proposers, Bidders, vendors and/or its representatives during the Blackout Period must be in accordance with this solicitation's defined method of communication with the designated contact person. The Blackout Period will begin upon posting of the solicitation. The Blackout Period will end when the Contract is awarded.

In those instances in which a prospective Proposer is also an incumbent Contractor, the Parish and the incumbent Contractor may contact each other with respect to the existing contract only. Under no circumstances may the Parish and the incumbent Contractor and/or its representative(s) discuss the blacked-out procurement.

Any Bidder, Proposer, or Parish Contractor who violates the Blackout Period may be liable to the Parish in damages and/or subject to any other remedy allowed by law. Further, failure to comply with these requirements may result in the Proposal's disqualification.

Any costs associated with cancellation or termination will be the responsibility of the Proposer or Bidder.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Blackout Period shall not apply to:

1. Duly noticed site visits and/or conferences for Bidders or Proposers;
2. Oral presentations during the evaluation process; or
3. Communications regarding a particular solicitation between any person and staff of the procuring agency provided the communication is limited strictly to matters of procedure. Procedural matters include deadlines for decisions or submission of proposals and the proper means of communicating regarding the procurement, but shall not include any substantive matter related to the particular procurement or requirements of the RFP.

#### **5.4 Errors and Omissions in Proposal**

The Parish will not be liable for any error in the proposal. Proposer will not be allowed to alter proposal documents after the deadline for proposal submission, except under the following condition: the Parish reserves the right to make corrections or clarifications due to patent errors identified in proposals by the Parish or the Proposer. The Parish, at its option, has the right to request clarification or additional information from the Proposer.

#### **5.5 Performance Bond**

[Omitted as not applicable to this RFP].

#### **5.6 Changes, Addenda, Withdrawals**

The Parish reserves the right to change the Schedule of Events or issue Addenda to the RFP at any time. The Parish also reserves the right to cancel or reissue the RFP.

If the Proposer needs to submit changes or addenda, such shall be submitted in writing, signed by an authorized representative of the Proposer, cross-referenced clearly to the relevant proposal section, prior to the proposal opening, and should be submitted in a sealed envelope. Such shall meet all requirements for the proposal.

### **5.7 Withdrawal of Proposal**

A Proposer may withdraw a proposal that has been submitted at any time up to the proposal closing date and time. To accomplish this, a written request signed by the authorized representative of the Proposer must be submitted to the Procurement Department.

### **5.8 Material in the RFP**

Proposals shall be based only on the material contained in this RFP. The RFP includes official responses to questions, addenda, and other material, which may be provided by the Parish pursuant to the RFP.

### **5.9 Waiver of Administrative Informalities**

The Parish reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to waive administrative informalities contained in any proposal.

### **5.10 Proposal Rejection**

Issuance of this RFP in no way constitutes a commitment by the Parish to award a contract. The Parish reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals submitted or to cancel this RFP if it is in the best interest of the Parish to do so.

### **5.11 Ownership of Proposal**

All materials (paper content only) submitted in response to this request become the property of the Parish. Selection or rejection of a response does not affect this right. All proposals submitted will be retained by the Parish and not returned to Proposers. Any copyrighted materials in the response are not transferred to the Parish.

### **5.12 Cost of Offer Preparation**

The Parish is not liable for any costs incurred by prospective Proposers or Contractors prior to issuance of or entering into a Contract. Costs associated with developing the proposal, preparing for oral presentations, and any other expenses incurred by the Proposer in responding to the RFP are entirely the responsibility of the Proposer, and shall not be reimbursed in any manner by the Parish.

### **5.13 Non-negotiable Contract Terms**

Non-negotiable contract terms include but are not limited to taxes, assignment of contract, audit of records, EEOC and ADA compliance, record retention, content of contract/order of precedence, contract changes, governing law, claims or controversies, and termination based on contingency of appropriation of funds.

### **5.14 Taxes**

Any taxes, other than state and local sales and use taxes from which the Parish is exempt, shall be assumed to be included within the Proposer's cost.

### **5.15 Proposal Validity**

All proposals shall be considered valid for acceptance until such time an award is made, unless the Proposer provides for a different time period within its proposal response. However, the Parish reserves the right to reject a proposal if the Proposer's acceptance period is unacceptable and the Proposer is unwilling to extend the validity of its proposal.

### **5.16 Prime Contractor Responsibilities**

The selected Proposer shall be required to assume responsibility for all items and services offered in his proposal whether or not he produces or provides them. The Parish shall consider the selected Proposer to be the sole point of contact with regard to contractual matters, including payment of any and all charges resulting from the contract.

### **5.17 Use of Subcontractors**

Each Contractor shall serve as the single prime contractor for all work performed pursuant to its contract. That prime contractor shall be responsible for all deliverables referenced in this RFP. This general requirement notwithstanding, Proposers may enter into subcontractor arrangements. Proposers may submit a proposal in response to this RFP, which identifies subcontract(s) with others, provided that the prime contractor acknowledges total responsibility for the entire contract.

If it becomes necessary for the prime contractor to use subcontractors, the Parish urges the prime contractor to use Louisiana vendors, including small and emerging businesses, a small entrepreneurship or a veteran or service-connected disabled veteran-owned small entrepreneurship, if practical. In all events, any subcontractor used by the prime should be identified to the Parish.

Information required of the prime contractor under the terms of this RFP, is also required for each subcontractor and the subcontractors must agree to be bound by the terms of the contract. The prime contractor shall assume total responsibility for compliance.

### **5.18 Written or Oral Discussions/Presentations**

Written or oral discussions may be conducted with Proposers who submit proposals determined to be reasonably susceptible of being selected for award; however, the Parish reserves the right to enter into an Agreement without further discussion of the proposal submitted based on the initial offers received. Any such written or oral discussion shall be initiated by the Parish.

Any commitments or representations made during these discussions, if conducted, may become formally recorded in the final contract.

Written or oral discussions/presentations for clarification may be conducted to enhance the Parish's understanding of any or all of the proposals submitted. Any such written or oral discussions/presentations shall be initiated by the Parish. Proposals may be accepted without such discussions.

### **5.19 Acceptance of Proposal Content**

The mandatory RFP requirements shall become contractual obligations if a contract ensues. Failure of the successful Proposer to accept these obligations shall result in the rejection of the proposal

### **5.20 Evaluation and Selection**

All responses received as a result of this RFP are subject to evaluation by the Evaluation Committee for the purpose of selecting the Proposer with whom the Parish shall contract.

To evaluate all proposals, a committee whose members have expertise in various areas has been selected. This committee will determine which proposals are reasonably susceptible of being selected for award. If required, written or oral discussions may be conducted with any or all of the Proposers to make this determination. Any such written or oral discussions shall be initiated by the Evaluation Committee.

Results of the evaluations will be provided by the Evaluation Committee to the Procurement Director. Written recommendation for award shall be made for the Proposer whose proposal, conforming to the RFP, will be the most advantageous to the Parish, price and other factors considered.

The committee may reject any or all proposals if none is considered in the best interest of the Parish.

### **5.21 Contract Negotiations**

If for any reason the Proposer whose proposal is most responsive to the Parish's needs, price and other evaluation factors set forth in the RFP considered, does not agree to a contract, that proposal shall be rejected and the Parish may negotiate with the next most responsive Proposer. Negotiation may include revision of non-mandatory terms, conditions, and requirements. The

Procurement Department must approve the final contract form and issue a purchase order, if applicable, to complete the process.

#### **5.22 Contract Award and Execution**

[Omitted as not applicable to this RFP].

#### **5.23 Acknowledgment and Waiver of Protest Rights**

Proposer shall execute an Acknowledgment and Waiver (the "Waiver") (Attachment "B") and shall produce same to the Parish along with its proposal. Such Waiver shall state that Proposer has read this RFP and the Waiver, and understands that the Parish's obligations under this RFP are not dictated by Louisiana Public Bid Law or the Louisiana Procurement Code. As such, Proposer understands that it is provided no opportunity for protest and waives all such rights.

#### **5.24 Notice of Intent to Award**

Upon review and approval of the evaluation committee's and agency's recommendation for award, the Procurement Department will issue a "Notice of Intent to Award" letter to the apparent successful Proposer. A contract shall be completed and signed by all parties concerned on or before the date indicated in the "Schedule of Events." If this date is not met, through no fault of the Parish, the Parish may elect to cancel the "Notice of Intent to Award" letter and make the award to the next most advantageous Proposer.

The Procurement Department will also notify all unsuccessful Proposers as to the outcome of the evaluation process. The evaluation factors, points, evaluation committee member names, and the completed evaluation summary and recommendation report will be made available to all interested parties after the "Notice of Intent to Award" letter has been issued.

#### **5.25 Insurance Requirements**

The Contractor shall comply with all insurance requirements of the Parish as contained in Attachment "C". All policies of insurance shall meet the requirements of the Parish prior to the commencing of any work. The Parish has the right, but not the duty, to approve all insurance policies prior to the commencing of any work. Contractor shall furnish the Parish with certificates of insurance effecting coverage(s) required by the RFP (see Attachment "C"). The certificates for each insurance policy are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. The certificates are to be received and approved by the Parish before work commences. The Parish reserves the right to require complete certified copies of all required policies, at any time.

#### **5.26 Subcontractor Insurance**

The Contractor shall include all subcontractors as insured's under its policies or shall insure that all subcontractors satisfy the same insurance requirements stated herein for the contractor.

## **5.27 Indemnification and Limitation of Liability**

### **5.27.1 Duty to Defend**

Upon notice of any claim, demand, suit, or cause of action against the Parish, alleged to arise out of or be related to this Contract, Contractor shall investigate, handle, respond to, provide defense for, and defend at its sole expense, even if the claim, demand, suit, or cause of action is groundless, false, or fraudulent. The Parish may, but is not required to, consult with or assist the Contractor, but this assistance shall not affect the Contractor's obligations, duties, and responsibilities under this section. Contractor shall obtain the Parish's written consent before entering into any settlement or dismissal.

### **5.27.2 Contractor Liability**

Contractor shall be liable without limitation to the Parish for any and all injury, death, damage, loss, destruction, damages, costs, fines, penalties, judgments, forfeitures, assessments, expenses (including attorney fees), obligations, and other liabilities of every name and description, which may occur or in any way arise out of any act or omission of Contractor, its owners, agents, employees, partners or subcontractors.

### **5.27.3 Force Majeure**

It is understood and agreed that neither party can foresee the exigencies beyond the control of each party which arise by reason of an Act of God or force majeure; therefore, neither party shall be liable for any delay or failure in performance beyond its control resulting from an Act of God or force majeure. The Parish shall determine whether a delay or failure results from an Act of God or force majeure based on its review of all facts and circumstances. The parties shall use reasonable efforts, including but not limited to, use of continuation of operations plans (COOP), business continuity plans, and disaster recovery plans, to eliminate or minimize the effect of such events upon the performance of their respective duties under this Contract.

### **5.27.4 Indemnification**

Contractor shall fully indemnify and hold harmless the Parish, without limitation, for any and all injury, death, damage, loss, destruction, damages, costs, fines, penalties, judgments, forfeitures, assessments, expenses (including attorney fees), obligations, and other liabilities of every name and description, which may occur or in any way arise out of any act or omission of Contractor, its owners, agents, employees, partners or subcontractors. The Contractor shall not indemnify for the portion of any loss or damage arising from the Parish's act or failure to act.

### **5.27.5 Intellectual Property Indemnification**

Contractor shall fully indemnify and hold harmless the Parish, without limitation, from and against damages, costs, fines, penalties, judgments, forfeitures, assessments, expenses (including attorney fees), obligations, and other liabilities in any action for infringement of any intellectual property right, including but not limited to, trademark, trade-secret, copyright, and patent rights.



When a dispute or claim arises relative to a real or anticipated infringement, the Contractor, at its sole expense, shall submit information and documentation, including formal patent attorney opinions, as required by the Parish.

If the use of the product, material, service, or any component thereof is enjoined for any reason or if the Contractor believes that it may be enjoined, Contractor, while ensuring appropriate migration and implementation, data integrity, and minimal delays of performance, shall at its sole expense and in the following order of precedence: (i) obtain for the Parish the right to continue using such product, material, service, or component thereof; (ii) modify the product, material, service, or component thereof so that it becomes a non-infringing product, material, or service of at least equal quality and performance; (iii) replace the product, material, service, or component thereof so that it becomes a non-infringing product, material, or service of at least equal quality and performance; or, (iv) provide the Parish monetary compensation for all payments made under the Contract related to the infringing product, material, service, or component, plus for all costs incurred to procure and implement a non-infringing product, material, or service of at least equal quality and performance. Until this obligation has been satisfied, the Contractor remains in default.

The Contractor shall not be obligated to indemnify that portion of a claim or dispute based upon the Parish's unauthorized: i) modification or alteration of the product, material or service; ii) use of the product, material or service in combination with other products not furnished by Contractor; or, iii) use of the product, material or service in other than the specified operating conditions and environment.

## **5.28 Fidelity Bond Requirements**

[Omitted as not applicable to this RFP].

## **5.29 Payment**

Provider is required to front fund the project objectives for home repairs, and seek reimburswement from the work performed, completed and approved by the Parish.

### **5.29.1 Payment for Services**

The Contractor may invoice the Parish monthly at the billing address designated by the Parish. Payments will be made by the Parish within approximately thirty (30) days after receipt of a properly executed invoice, and approval by the Parish. Invoices shall include the purchase order number. Invoices submitted without this information will not be approved for payment until the required information is provided/reflected on the invoice.

## **5.30 Termination**

### **5.30.1 Termination of the Contract for Cause**

The Parish may terminate the contract for cause based upon the failure of the Contractor to comply with the terms and/or conditions of the contract, or failure to fulfill its performance obligations pursuant to the contract, provided that the Parish shall give the Contractor written notice specifying the Contractor's failure. If within thirty (30) days after receipt of such notice, the Contractor shall not have corrected such failure or, in the case of failure which cannot be corrected

in thirty (30) days, begun in good faith to correct such failure and thereafter proceeded diligently to complete such correction, then the Parish may, at its option, place the Contractor in default and the contract shall terminate on the date specified in such notice.

The Contractor may exercise any rights available to it under Louisiana law to terminate for cause upon the failure of the Parish to comply with the terms and conditions of the contract, provided that the Contractor shall give the Parish written notice specifying the Parish's failure and a reasonable opportunity for the Parish to cure the defect.

### **5.30.2 Termination of the Contract for Convenience**

The Parish may terminate the contract at any time by giving thirty (30) days written notice to the Contractor of such termination or negotiating with the Contractor an effective date.

The Contractor shall be entitled to payment for deliverables in progress, to the extent work has been performed satisfactorily.

### **5.30.3 Termination for Non-Appropriation of Funds**

The continuance of the contract is contingent upon the appropriation of funds to fulfill the requirements of the contract by the Parish Council. If the Parish Council fails to appropriate sufficient monies to provide for the continuation of the contract, or if such appropriation is reduced for any lawful purpose, and the effect of such reduction is to provide insufficient monies for the continuation of the contract, the contract shall terminate on the date of the beginning of the first fiscal year for which funds are not appropriated.

### **5.30.4 Default of Contractor**

Failure to complete or deliver within the time specified or to provide the services as specified in the bid or response will constitute a default and may cause cancellation of the contract. Where the Parish has determined the contractor to be in default. The Parish reserves the right to purchase any or all products or services covered by the contract on the open market and to charge the contractor with the cost in excess of the contract price. Until such assessed charges have been paid, no subsequent bid or response from the defaulting contractor will be considered.

## **5.31 Assignment**

The Contractor shall not assign any interest in the contract by assignment, transfer, or novation, without prior written consent of the Parish. This provision shall not be construed to prohibit the contractor from assigning his bank, trust company, or other financial institution any money due or to become due from approved contracts without such prior written consent. Notice of any such assignment or transfer shall be furnished promptly to the Parish.

### **5.32 No Guarantee of Quantities**

The quantities referenced in the RFP are estimated to be the amount needed. In the event a greater or lesser quantity is needed, the right is reserved by the Parish to increase or decrease the amount, at the unit price stated in the proposal.

The Parish does not obligate itself to contract for or accept more than its actual requirements during the period of the contract, as determined by actual needs and availability of appropriated funds.

### **5.33 Audit of Records**

The Parish Auditor, state auditors, federal auditors or others so designated by the Parish, shall have the option to audit all accounts directly pertaining to the resulting contract for a period of five (5) years after Project acceptance or as required by applicable State and Federal law. Records shall be made available during normal working hours for this purpose.

### **5.34 Civil Rights Compliance**

The Contractor agrees to abide by the requirements of the following as applicable: Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended by the Equal Opportunity Act of 1972, Federal Executive Order 11246, the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Vietnam Era Veteran's Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Age Act of 1975, and Contractor agrees to abide by the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Contractor agrees not to discriminate in its employment practices, and will render services under the contract and any contract without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, veteran status, political affiliation, or disabilities. Any act of discrimination committed by Contractor, or failure to comply with these statutory obligations when applicable shall be grounds for termination of the contract.

### **5.35 Record Retention**

The Contractor shall maintain all records in relation to the contract for a period of at least five (5) years after final payment.

### **5.36 Record Ownership**

All records, reports, documents, or other material related to any contract resulting from this RFP and/or obtained or prepared by Contractor in connection with the performance of the services contracted for herein shall become the property of the Parish and shall, upon request, be returned by Contractor to the Parish, at Contractor's expense, at termination or expiration of the contract.

### **5.37 Content of Contract/ Order of Precedence**

In the event of an inconsistency between the contract, the RFP and/or the Contractor's Proposal, the inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence first to the final contract, then to the RFP and subsequent addenda (if any) and finally, the Contractor's Proposal.

### **5.38 Contract Changes**

No additional changes, enhancements, or modifications to any contract resulting from this RFP shall be made without the prior approval of the Parish.

Changes to the contract include any change in: compensation; beginning/ ending date of the contract; scope of work; and/or Contractor change through the Assignment of Contract process. Any such changes, once approved, will result in the issuance of an amendment to the contract.

### **5.39 Substitution of Personnel**

The Parish intends to include in any contract resulting from this RFP the following condition:

Substitution of Personnel: If, during the term of the contract, the Contractor or subcontractor cannot provide the personnel as proposed and requests a substitution, that substitution shall meet or exceed the requirements stated herein. A detailed resume of qualifications and justification is to be submitted to the Parish for approval prior to any personnel substitution. It shall be acknowledged by the Contractor that every reasonable attempt shall be made to assign the personnel listed in the Contractor's proposal.

### **5.40 Governing Law**

All activities associated with this RFP process shall be interpreted under Louisiana Law. All proposals and contracts submitted are subject to provisions of the laws of the State of Louisiana and specifications listed in this RFP. Jurisdiction and venue for any suit filed in connection with this RFP process and contract shall be exclusive to the 22<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District Court for the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana.

### **5.41 Anti-Kickback Clause**

The Contractor hereby agrees to adhere to the mandate dictated by the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act which provides that each Contractor or subgrantee shall be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the completion of work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he is otherwise entitled.

### **5.42 Clean Air Act**

The Contractor hereby agrees to adhere to the provisions which require compliance with all applicable standards, orders or requirements issued under Section 306 of the Clean Air Act which

prohibits the use under non-exempt Federal contracts, grants or loans of facilities included on the EPA list of Violating Facilities.

#### **5.43 Energy Policy and Conservation Act**

The Contractor hereby recognizes the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the State energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (P.L. 94-163).

#### **5.44 Clean Water Act**

The Contractor hereby agrees to adhere to the provisions which require compliance with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under Section 508 of the Clean Water Act which prohibits the use under non-exempt Federal contracts, grants or loans of facilities included on the EPA List of Violating Facilities.

#### **5.45 Anti-Lobbying and Debarment Act**

The Contractor will be expected to comply with Federal statutes required in the Anti-Lobbying Act and the Debarment Act.

ATTACHMENT "A"

RFP Pricing Sheet

**Home Repair Program**

RFP# 24-4-3

Provider agrees to abide by all St. Tammany Parish Government (Parish) General Conditions (furnished upon request), and acknowledges receipt of and has reviewed a copy of the Parish's Insurance Requirements (as attached) and agrees to maintain such insurance coverage(s) throughout the duration of the project, as well as for any subsequent warranty periods. If awarded the project, Provider agrees that no work is to commence under any circumstance until the Provider is provided a notice to proceed by the Parish.

Provider must acknowledge all addenda. Enter the number the Parish has assigned to each of the addenda that the Contractor is acknowledging.

The Contractor acknowledges receipt of the following:

ADDENDA: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposer: \_\_\_\_\_

Address Line 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Address Line 2: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Total quote amount (Dollars):** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total quote amount (Written):** \_\_\_\_\_

Proposer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposer Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTACHMENT "B"**

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND WAIVER**

\_\_\_\_\_ ("Proposer") hereby acknowledges that it has received Request for Proposal No. \_\_\_\_\_ ("RFP"), issued by the St. Tammany Parish Government, and has been advised that same is not subject to the Louisiana Public Bid Law or the Louisiana Procurement Code. As such, Proposer understands and acknowledges that it has not been granted and otherwise possesses no right to protest, contest, debate or otherwise call in question the processes, procedures, methodology or results of the RFP or the selection of a Contractor in connection therewith.

To the extent that the Proposer may otherwise have any such rights, Proposer herein waives all such rights to protest, contest, debate or otherwise call in question the processes, procedures, methodology or results of the RFP or the selection of a Contractor in connection therewith and agrees it will not file claims of any type or manner, in a court of law or otherwise, in any way related to same.

SIGNED, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 202\_\_.

WITNESSES:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Proposer

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

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Authorized Representative)

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

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

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

PARISH/COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

SWORN TO and subscribed before me, Notary, on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 202\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_



## ATTACHMENT "C"

### INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS\*

Essential Services Project: Home Repair Program\_\_\_\_\_

Project/Quote/Bid#: 24-4-3

#### **\*\*\*IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ\*\*\***

**Prior to submitting your quote or bid, it is recommended that you review these insurance requirements with your insurance broker/agent.**

*These requirements modify portions of the insurance language found in the General Conditions and/or Supplementary General Conditions; however, there is no intention to remove all sections pertaining to insurance requirements and limits set forth in the General Conditions and/or Supplementary General Conditions, only to amend and specify those items particular for this Project.*

- A. The Provider shall secure and maintain at its expense such insurance that will protect it and St. Tammany Parish Government (the "Parish") from claims for bodily injury, death or property damage as well as from claims under the Workers' Compensation Acts that may arise from the performance of services under this agreement. All certificates of insurance shall be furnished to the Parish and provide thirty (30) days prior notice of cancellation to the Parish, in writing, on all of the required coverage.
- B. All policies shall provide for and certificates of insurance shall indicate the following:
1. Waiver of Subrogation: The Provider's insurers will have no right of recovery or subrogation against the Parish of St. Tammany, it being the intention of the parties that all insurance policy(ies) so affected shall protect both parties and be the primary coverage for any and all losses covered by the below described insurance.
  2. Additional Insured: St. Tammany Parish Government shall be named as Additional Insured with respect to general liability, automobile liability and excess liability coverages, as well as marine liability and pollution/environmental liability, when those coverages are required or necessary.
  3. Payment of Premiums: The insurance companies issuing the policy or policies will have no recourse against St. Tammany Parish Government for payment of any premiums or for assessments under any form of policy.
  4. Project Reference: The project(s) and location(s) shall be referenced in the Comment or Description of Operations section of the Certificate of Insurance (Project ##-###, or Bid # if applicable, Type of Work, Location).
- C. Coverage must be issued by insurance companies authorized to do business in the State of Louisiana. Companies must have an A.M. Best rating of no less than A-, Category VII. St. Tammany Parish Risk Management Department may waive this requirement only for Workers Compensation coverage at their discretion.



Provider shall secure and present proof of insurance on forms acceptable to St. Tammany Parish Government, Office of Risk Management no later than the time of submission of the Contract to the Parish. However, should any work performed under this Contract by or on behalf of Provider include exposures that are not covered by those insurance coverages, Provider is not relieved of its obligation to maintain appropriate levels and types of insurance necessary to protect itself, its agents and employees, its subcontractors, St. Tammany Parish Government (Owner), and all other interested third parties, from any and all claims for damage or injury in connection with the services performed or provided throughout the duration of this Project, as well as for any subsequent periods required under this Contract.

The insurance coverages checked (✓) below are those required for this Contract.

1. **Commercial General Liability\*** insurance – **Occurrence Form** - with a Combined Single Limit for bodily injury and property damage of at least \$1,000,000 per Occurrence / \$2,000,000 General Aggregate and \$2,000,000 Products-Completed Operations. Contracts over \$1,000,000 may require higher limits. The insurance shall provide for and the certificate(s) of insurance shall indicate the following coverages:
- a) Premises - operations;
  - b) Broad form contractual liability;
  - c) Products and completed operations;
  - d) Personal/Advertising Injury;
  - e) Broad form property damage (for Projects involving work on Parish property);
  - f) Explosion, Collapse and Damage to underground property.
  - g) Additional Insured forms CG 2010 and CG 2037 in most current edition are required.
2. **Business Automobile Liability\*** insurance with a Combined Single Limit of \$1,000,000 per Occurrence for bodily injury and property damage, and shall include coverage for the following:
- a) Any auto;
- or**
- b) Owned autos; **and**
  - c) Hired autos; **and**
  - d) Non-owned autos.
- Endorsement for Pollution coverage for all vehicles used to transport fuel.
3. **Workers' Compensation/Employers Liability insurance\*** - Workers' Compensation coverage as required by State law. Employers' liability limits shall be a minimum of \$1,000,000 each accident, \$1,000,000 each disease, \$1,000,000 disease policy aggregate. When water activities are expected to be performed in connection with this project, coverage under the USL&H Act, Jones Act and/or Maritime Employers Liability (MEL) must be included. **Coverage for owners, officers and/or partners in any way engaged in the Project shall be included in the policy.** The names of any excluded individual must be shown in the Description of Operations/Comments section of the Certificate.
4. **Pollution Liability and Environmental Liability\*** insurance in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence / \$2,000,000 aggregate including full contractual liability and third party claims for bodily injury and/or property damage, for all such hazardous waste, pollutants and/or environmental exposures that may be affected by this project stemming from pollution/environmental incidents as a result of Contractor's operations.

If coverage is provided on a claims-made basis, the following conditions apply:

- 1) the retroactive date must be prior to or coinciding with the effective date of the Contract, or prior to the commencement of any services provided by the Contractor on behalf of the Parish, whichever is earlier; AND
- 2) continuous coverage must be provided to the Parish with the same retro date for 24 months following acceptance or termination of the Project by the Parish either by
  - a) continued renewal certificates **OR**
  - b) a 24 month Extended Reporting Period

\*The Certificate must indicate whether the policy is written on an occurrence or claims-made basis and, if claims-made, the applicable retro date must be stated.



5. **Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions\*** insurance in the sum of at least \$1,000,000 per claim / \$2,000,000 aggregate is required when work performed by Contractor or on behalf of Contractor includes professional or technical services including, but not limited to, construction administration and/or management, engineering services such as design, surveying, and/or inspection, technical services such as testing and laboratory analysis, and/or environmental assessments. An occurrence basis policy is preferred.

If coverage is provided on a claims-made basis, the following conditions apply:

- 1) the retroactive date must be prior to or coinciding with the effective date of the Contract, or prior to the commencement of any services provided by the Contractor on behalf of the Parish, whichever is earlier; AND
- 2) continuous coverage must be provided to the Parish with the same retro date for 24 months following acceptance or termination of the Project by the Parish either by
  - a) continued renewal certificates **OR**
  - b) a 24 month Extended Reporting Period

\*The Certificate must indicate whether the policy is written on an occurrence or claims-made basis and, if claims-made, the applicable retro date must be stated.



6. **Marine Liability/Protection and Indemnity\*** insurance is required for any and all vessel and/or marine operations in the minimum limits of \$1,000,000 per occurrence / \$2,000,000 per project general aggregate. The coverage shall include, but is not limited to, the basic coverages found in the Commercial General Liability insurance and coverage for third party liability



7. **Cyber Liability (including Third Party Protection)** is required in the sum of at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence for any loss resulting in failure to protect any confidential data/information retained and/or transmitted within your systems including, but not limited to: Network Security Liability, Network Privacy Liability, Data Breach; Crisis Management; Unauthorized Access/Use; Computer Virus; Denial of Service Attack; Denial of Access; Improper Transmission of Data; Libel, Cyber-Libel, Slander; Product Disparagement; Violation of Right of Privacy; Misappropriation and Plagiarism; Fraud; Replacement or Restoration of Electronic Data; Extortion Threats; Public Relations Expense; Security Breach Remediation

**\*Excess/Umbrella Liability** insurance may be provided to meet the limit requirements for any Liability coverage. For example: if the General Liability requirement is \$3,000,000 per occurrence, but the policy is only \$1,000,000 per occurrence, then the excess policy should be at least \$2,000,000 per occurrence thereby providing a combined per occurrence limit of \$3,000,000.)

- D. All policies of insurance shall meet the requirements of the Parish prior to the commencing of any work. The Parish has the right, but not the duty, to approve all insurance coverages prior to commencement of work. If any of the required policies are or become unsatisfactory to the Parish as to form or substance; or if a company issuing any policy is or becomes unsatisfactory to the Parish, the Provider shall promptly obtain a new policy, timely submit same to the Parish for approval, and submit a certificate thereof as provided above. The Parish agrees not to unreasonably withhold approval of any insurance carrier selected by Provider. In the event that Parish cannot agree or otherwise authorize a carrier, Provider shall have the option of selecting and submitting a new insurance carrier within 30 days of said notice by the Parish. In the event that the second submission is insufficient or is not approved, then the Parish shall have the unilateral opportunity to thereafter select a responsive and responsible insurance carrier all at the cost of Provider and thereafter deduct from Provider's fee the cost of such insurance.

- E. Upon failure of Provider to furnish, deliver and/or maintain such insurance as above provided, this contract, at the election of the Parish, may be declared suspended, discontinued or terminated. Failure of the Provider to maintain insurance shall not relieve the Provider from any liability under the contract, nor shall the insurance requirements be construed to conflict with the obligation of the Provider concerning indemnification.
- F. The Provider shall secure and maintain at its expense such insurance that will protect it and St. Tammany Parish Government (the "Parish") from claims for bodily injury, death or property damage as well as from claims under the Workers' Compensation Acts that may arise from the performance of services under this agreement. All certificates of insurance shall be furnished to the Parish and provide thirty (30) days prior notice of cancellation to the Parish, in writing, on all of the required coverage.
- G. It shall be the responsibility of Provider to require that these insurance requirements are met by all contractors and sub-contractors performing work for and on behalf of Provider. Provider shall further ensure the Parish is named as an additional insured on all insurance policies provided by said contractor and/or sub-contractor throughout the duration of the project.
- H. Certificates of Insurance shall be issued as follows:

**St. Tammany Parish Government  
Attn: Risk Management  
P O Box 628  
Covington, LA 70434**

To avoid contract processing delays, be certain the project name/number is included on all correspondence including Certificates of Insurance.

**\*NOTICE: St. Tammany Parish Government reserves the rights to remove, replace, make additions to and/or modify any and all of the insurance requirements at any time.**

**Any inquiry regarding these insurance requirements should be addressed to:**

**St. Tammany Parish Government  
Office of Risk Management  
P O Box 628  
Covington, LA 70434  
Telephone: 985-898-5226  
Email: riskman@stpgov.org**

**Attachment "D"**

**AFFIDAVIT PURSUANT TO LA R.S. 38:2224 AND ETHICS PROVISIONS  
FOR PROFESSIONAL & ESSENTIAL SERVICE CONTRACTS**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

PARISH/COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

**BEFORE ME**, the undersigned authority, in and for the above stated State and Parish (or County), personally came and appeared:

\_\_\_\_\_

Print Name

who, after first being duly sworn, did depose and state:

1. That affiant is appearing on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_, who is seeking a Professional or Essential Service Contract with St. Tammany Parish Government.
2. That affiant employed no person, corporation, firm, association, or other organization, either directly or indirectly, to secure the public contract under which he received payment, other than persons regularly employed by the affiant whose services in connection with the construction, alteration or demolition of the public building or project or in securing the public contract were in the regular course of their duties for affiant; and

3. That no part of the contract price received by affiant was paid or will be paid to any person, corporation, firm, association, or other organization for soliciting the contract, other than the payment of their normal compensation to persons regularly employed by the affiant whose services in connection with the construction, alteration or demolition of the public building or project were in the regular course of their duties for affiant.
  
4. If affiant is a sole proprietor, that neither affiant, nor his/her immediate family is a public servant of St. Tammany Parish Government or the Contract is not under the supervision or jurisdiction of the public servant's agency.
  
5. If affiant is executing this affidavit on behalf of a juridical entity such as a partnership, corporation, or LLC, etc., that no public servant of St. Tammany Parish Government, or his/her immediate family, either individually or collectively, has more than a 25% ownership interest in the entity seeking the Contract with St. Tammany Parish Government if the Contract will be under the supervision or jurisdiction of the public servant's agency.

\_\_\_\_\_

**Printed Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Entity name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**THUS SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME,**  
**THIS \_\_\_\_\_, DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 202\_\_.**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Notary Public**

**Print Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Notary I.D./Bar No.:** \_\_\_\_\_

**My commission expires:** \_\_\_\_\_

**AFFIDAVIT PURSUANT TO LA R.S. 38:2212.10 CONFIRMING  
REGISTRATION AND PARTICIPATION IN A STATUS VERIFICATION  
SYSTEM**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

PARISH/COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

**BEFORE ME**, the undersigned authority, in and for the above stated State and Parish (or County), personally came and appeared:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

who, after first being duly sworn, did depose and state:

1. That affiant is appearing on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_, a private employer seeking a bid or a contract with St. Tammany Parish Government for the physical performance of services within the State of Louisiana.
2. That affiant is registered and participates in a status verification system to verify that all employees in the state of Louisiana are legal citizens of the United States or are legal aliens; and
3. That affiant shall continue, during the term of the contract, to utilize a status verification system to verify the legal status of all new employees in the state of Louisiana.
4. That affiant shall require all subcontractors to submit to the affiant a sworn affidavit verifying compliance with this law.

\_\_\_\_\_

**Printed Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Entity:** \_\_\_\_\_

**THUS SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME,**

**THIS** \_\_\_\_\_, **DAY OF** \_\_\_\_\_, **202**\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_

**Notary Public**

**Attachment "E-1"**  
**Sample Scoring Matrix**  
**RFP # 24-4-3**  
**Home Repair Program**

Vendor/Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluator's Name \_\_\_\_\_

CRITERIA	POSSIBLE POINTS	ASSIGNED POINTS	COMMENTS
Compliance with the RFP	15pts		
Understanding of the Project	10pts		
Approach to the Project	15pts		
Ability to perform within the stated timeframe	20pts		
Qualifications of the Proposer, including, but not limited to, its experience and personnel assigned to the projects	20pts		
Overall costs and fees to be charged	10pts		
Certified Veterans Initiative small entrepreneurship or certified Hudson Initiative small entrepreneurship	10pts		

**Vendor Total**

**100pts**

Signature of Evaluator: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Attachment E-2  
Vendor Scoring Matrix  
RFP # 24-4-3  
Home Repair Program**

Vendor/Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

The Respondent must clearly designate that they meet each category of the scoring criteria stated below. The Respondent must briefly describe how their company satisfies the requirement and where in their response supports that requirement. Failure to comply with this requirement may negatively affect the overall score.

<b>CRITERIA</b>	<b>Briefly describe how your proposal meets the requirement and where in your proposal supports your justification</b>
Compliance with the RFP	
Understanding of the Project	
Approach to the Project	
Ability to perform within the stated timeframe	
Qualifications of the Respondent, including, but not limited to, its experience and personnel assigned to the projects	
Overall costs and fees to be charged	
Certified Veterans Initiative small entrepreneurship or Certified Hudson Initiative small entrepreneurship	



# Attachment "F"

## CORPORATE RESOLUTION

EXCERPT FROM MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF INCORPORATED.

AT THE MEETING OF DIRECTORS OF \_\_\_\_\_ INCORPORATED, DULY NOTICED AND HELD ON \_\_\_\_\_, A QUORUM BEING THERE PRESENT, ON MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED. IT WAS:

RESOLVED THAT \_\_\_\_\_, BE AND IS HEREBY APPOINTED, CONSTITUTED AND DESIGNATED AS AGENT AND ATTORNEY-IN-FACT OF THE CORPORATION WITH FULL POWER AND AUTHORITY TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THIS CORPORATION IN ALL NEGOTIATIONS, BIDDING, CONCERNS AND TRANSACTIONS WITH THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY OR ANY OF ITS AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, EMPLOYEES OR AGENTS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE EXECUTION OF ALL BIDS, PAPERS, DOCUMENTS, AFFIDAVITS, BONDS, SURETIES, CONTRACTS AND ACTS AND TO RECEIVE ALL PURCHASE ORDERS AND NOTICES ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ANY SUCH BID OR CONTRACT, THIS CORPORATION HEREBY RATIFYING, APPROVING, CONFIRMING, AND ACCEPTING EACH AND EVERY SUCH ACT PERFORMED BY SAID AGENT AND ATTORNEY-IN-FACT.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF AN EXCERPT OF THE MINUTES OF THE ABOVE DATED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SAID CORPORATION, AND THE SAME HAS NOT BEEN REVOKED OR RESCINDED.

SECRETARY-TREASURER

\_\_\_\_\_

DATE

\_\_\_\_\_

## Attachment "G"

### Certificate of Insurance Instructions

The below information is intended to guide Contractors on what information is needed to be listed on the Certificate of Insurance. All Insurance limit requirements can be found in Attachment D.

- **Certificate Holder** – STPG must be listed as the certificate holder, and it must include our address of: P.O. Box 628, Covington, LA 70434
  - Reason: the certificate holder is where cancellations of coverage, or updated certificates are mailed. If a vendor terminates a policy, we will be notified.
- **Additional Insured** – We must be named as an additional insured so that if there is a lawsuit against the vendor for a project, their coverage will cover STPG as well if we are named in the lawsuit.
  - We must be named in the Description of Operations box – reason: there could be other additional insureds, and we want to have no doubt that we are one of the additional insureds.
  - We must be named as additional insured on the following coverages: General liability, Auto Liability, Umbrella/Excess Liability, Environmental/Pollution Liability.
  - Professional Liability policies do not allow for an additional insured by most carriers.
- **Project Name & Contract #** - We need this listed in the Description of Operations, again so that if there is a lawsuit, we have proof that coverage was active for that project.
- **Waiver of Subrogation** – This can either be listed in the Description of Operations or checked off in the appropriate columns.

From the Insurance Requirement form:

*Waiver of Subrogation: The Provider's insurers will have no right of recovery or subrogation against the Parish of St. Tammany, it being the intention of the parties that all insurance policy(ies) so affected shall protect both parties and be the primary coverage for any and all losses covered by the below described insurance.*

- **Owners Protective Liability (OPL) or (OCP)** – Certificate of Insurance for OCP names St. Tammany Parish Government as the Insured and the Certificate Holder.
- Sample of Certificate of Insurance (COI) can be found on page 2.



# CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

**IMPORTANT:** If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

PRODUCER	CONTACT NAME:	
	PHONE (A/C, No. Ext):	FAX (A/C, No):
	E-MAIL ADDRESS:	
	INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE	NAIC #
INSURED	INSURER A :	
	INSURER B :	
	INSURER C :	
	INSURER D :	
	INSURER E :	
	INSURER F :	

**COVERAGES**

CERTIFICATE NUMBER:

REVISION NUMBER:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL INSR	SUBR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS
	<b>GENERAL LIABILITY</b>						EACH OCCURRENCE \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY						DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE <input type="checkbox"/> OCCUR						MED EXP (Any one person) \$
							PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$
							GENERAL AGGREGATE \$
	GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER:						PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input type="checkbox"/> PRO-JECT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC						\$
	<b>AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY</b>						COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO						BODILY INJURY (Per person) \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> ALL OWNED AUTOS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				BODILY INJURY (Per accident) \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> HIRED AUTOS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) \$
							\$
	<b>UMBRELLA LIAB</b>						EACH OCCURRENCE \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUR						AGGREGATE \$
	<b>EXCESS LIAB</b>						\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE						
	DED						
	RETENTION \$						
	<b>WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY</b>						WC STATUTORY LIMITS
	ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH)						OTHER
	If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below	<input type="checkbox"/> Y / <input type="checkbox"/> N	<input type="checkbox"/> N / <input type="checkbox"/> A				E.L. EACH ACCIDENT \$
							E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE \$
							E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT \$

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (Attach ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, if more space is required)

Project Name:  
Contract #:

(Name St. Tammany Parish Government as an additional insured).

**CERTIFICATE HOLDER****CANCELLATION**St. Tammany Parish Government  
P.O. Box 628  
Covington, LA 70434

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

## **Attachment "H"**

### **Housing and Urban Development (HUD) 24 CFR 85.36**

#### **1. Equal Employment Opportunity**

The Contractor agrees to comply with Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965 entitled "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order 11375 of October 13, 1967, and as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (41 CFR Chapter 60).

#### **2. Copeland Anti-Kickback Act**

The Contractor agrees to comply with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (18 U.S.C. 874) as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3). These regulations are herein incorporated by reference in this contract.

#### **3. Davis Bacon and Related Acts**

The Contractor agrees to comply with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 276a to 276a-7) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). These regulations are herein incorporated by reference in this contract. (Construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by grantees and subgrantees when required by Federal grant program legislation)

#### **4. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act**

The Contractor agrees to comply with Sections 103 and 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 327-330) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). These regulations are herein incorporated by reference in this contract.

#### **5. Rights to Inventions, Copyrights, and Rights in Data**

The Contractor agrees to comply with requirements and regulations pertaining to copyrights and rights in data.

#### **6. Records Access and Retention**

The Contractor agrees to grant access by Parish, the State, Federal agencies, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives to any books, documents, papers, and records of the contractor which are directly pertinent to that specific contract for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts, and transcriptions.

The Contractor agrees to retain all required records for three (3) years after final payments have been made and/or all other pending matters are closed.

#### **7. Debarment and Suspension**

The Contractor is prohibited from awarding any subcontract expected to equal or exceed \$25,000 to persons (individuals or organizations) listed on the Excluded Parties List System (EPLS) which is available at [www.epls.gov](http://www.epls.gov).

#### **8. Energy and Environmental Conservation**

The Contractor agrees to comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency

which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub. L. 94-163, 89 Stat. 871). [53 FR 8045, 8087, Mar. 11, 1998, as amended at 60 FR 19639, 19641, Apr. 19, 1995; 61 FR 7166, Feb. 26, 1996]. These regulations are herein incorporated by reference in this contract.

## **9. Reporting**

The Contractor agrees to comply with all Federal, State, and Parish requirements and regulations pertaining to reporting on projects receiving Federal, State, or Parish funding.

## **10. Clean Air and Water Acts**

The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857(h)), section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR Part 15). These regulations are herein incorporated by reference in this contract.

## **11. Legal Remedies**

*Contracts must include administrative, contractual, and legal remedies for use in cases in which contractors violate or breach contract terms. The contract must also make clear the remedial actions which you may take.*

## **12. Termination**

*Contracts in excess of \$10,000 must explain the conditions under which you may terminate them for cause or for your convenience, including the process for bringing about the termination and the basis for settlement.*