# PUBLIC NOTICE ITEM I INVITATION TO BID

# Bid No. 016-19 Wood Pole Inspection and Inventory Survey - RE-BID

Sealed bids will be received, opened, and read aloud in public session for **Bid No 016-19 Wood Pole Inspection and Inventory Survey - RE-BID** for the **CITY OF FAIRHOPE**, **AL**, at **10:00 A.M. on Tuesday**, **April 9**, **2019**, at the Fairhope City Services and Utility Building located at 555 S. Section St., Fairhope, Alabama.

Bid Specifications may be obtained from the Fairhope City Services and Utility Building located at 555 S. Section St., Fairhope, Alabama, Monday through Friday from 7:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M., or downloaded from the City's website at <a href="www.fairhopeal.gov">www.fairhopeal.gov</a>.

All bids, with their guarantee (when required), must be enclosed in a sealed, opaque envelope, clearly identified on the outside as a "Sealed Proposal" with Bidder's Name and Number, Bidder's Name and Address, and opening time and date. Each bid must be in a separate envelope. No responsibility will attach to the City of Fairhope for the premature opening of a bid not properly addressed or identified. Bids made out in pencil will not be accepted. Failure to observe the instructions contained herein will constitute grounds for rejection of your bid.

The City of Fairhope is an Equal Opportunity Employee and required that all bidders comply with the Equal Employment Opportunity laws and the provisions of the contract documents in this regard. The City encourages and supports the utilization of Minority Business Enterprises on this and all public bids.

The company that is awarded the bid must have Workman's Compensation Insurance on all its employees if work is to be performed on City of Fairhope premises. General Liability Insurance, specifying coverage, must be maintained to hold the City of Fairhope harmless in the event of an accident. Proof of Workman's Compensation Insurance if work is done on City premises and General Liability Insurance specifying coverage must maintained to hold the City of Fairhope harmless in the event of an accident. See bid packet for further details.

No bids will be considered unless the bidder, whether resident or non-resident of Alabama, is properly qualified to submit a proposal for this type of work in accordance with all applicable laws of the State of Alabama. Where applicable, this shall include evidence of holding a current license from the State Licensing board for General CONTRACTORS, Montgomery, Alabama, as required by Chapter 8 of Title 34, of the Code of Alabama, 1975. In addition, the contracted provider, if non-resident of the State, and if a corporation, shall show evidence of having qualified with the Secretary of State to do business in the State of Alabama <a href="http://sos.alabama.gov/business-entities">http://sos.alabama.gov/business-entities</a>. Bidder must have a current business license or purchase a business license with the City of Fairhope prior to work performed. No bids shall be withdrawn for the period of thirty (30) days subsequent to the opening of proposals without the consent of the City of Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama. Once completed, a tabulation of the responsive and responsible bids will be available for public viewing on the City of Fairhope's website, <a href="https://www.fairhopeal.gov">www.fairhopeal.gov</a>.

Dee Dee Brandt, Purchasing Manager – <u>deedeeb@cofairhope.com</u>

**INVITATION TO BID POSTING DATE:** April 2, 2019

BID NAME AND BID No.: Bid No 016-19 Wood Pole Inspection and Inventory

Survey - RE-BID

**PLACE OF BID OPENINGS:** Fairhope City Services and Utilities Building,

555 S. Section St., Fairhope, AL

BID MUST BE PUBLICLY OPENED: April 9, 2019 at 10:00 A.M. (Central)

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The City reserves the right to accept or reject all bids or any portion thereof, and to waive informalities and to furnish any item of material or work to change the amount of the CONTRACT, whichever is in the best interest of the City of Fairhope.

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Fairhope Warehouse until the above time and date at which time they will be opened as soon thereafter as practicable.

Sealed proposals must be mailed to the following addresses:

U.S. Postal Service Courier (UPS, FedEx, etc.); hand delivery

City of Fairhope
Attn: Dee Dee Brandt, Purchasing MGR

P.O. Drawer 429

Fairhope, AL 36533

City of Fairhope

Attn: Dee Dee Brandt, Purchasing MGR

555 S. Section St. Fairhope, AL 36532

Be advised that overnight delivery by express or courier to Fairhope is not guaranteed. **Faxed or e-mailed** bids will not be accepted.

Questions or comments pertaining to this ITB must be sent to the Purchasing Manager, Dee Dee Brandt at <a href="mailto:deedeeb@cofairhope.com">deedeeb@cofairhope.com</a>, 48 hours prior to the ITB opening or will be forever waived.

# ITEM II INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

# 1.0 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- 1.1 The City of Fairhope will not furnish any labor, material or supplies unless specifically stated in the Contract documents. CONTRACTOR must be properly licensed to perform the work as outlined in the Scope of Work. CONTRACTOR must have a current business license or purchase a business license with the City of Fairhope prior to or (upon) bid being awarded. Where required by State law, State of Alabama CONTRACTOR'S license is required.
- All Addenda are part of the Contract Documents. Include resultant costs in the Bid. Addenda will be issued by posting to the City of Fairhope website: <a href="www.fairhopeal.gov">www.fairhopeal.gov</a>., and posted on the City of Fairhope Warehouse bulletin board located at 555 S. Section St., Fairhope, AL. It is the responsibility of the bidder to obtain any addenda and verify that all addenda have been received.
- 1.3 The Construction documents are the ITB, Drawings (as required), Addenda, and all other related documents bearing the Bid Name and Bid Number. Bidders shall use complete sets of Construction Documents in preparing their Bids. The City will not assume responsibility for errors or misinterpretation resulting from the use of incomplete sets of Construction Documents.
- Except for contracts funded in whole or in part by funds received from a federal agency, preference shall be given to resident CONTRACTORS on the same basis as the non-resident bidder's state awards contracts to Alabama CONTRACTORS bidding under similar circumstances. Therefore, non-resident bidders shall submit with their bid a written opinion of an attorney at law licensed to practice law in the non-residents bidder's state of domicile as to preferences granted by the state to entities doing business in that state when letting public contracts.
- **1.5** Signed resolution disposition is required before award of contract.

# 2.0 PROPOSAL SUBMISSION AND PREPARATION

- 2.1 Sealed bids, signed, executed, and dated will be received by the City of Fairhope as noted herein. The bid shall be enclosed in a sealed opaque envelope approximately 9X12 inches or larger, clearly identified on the outside as a SEALED PROPOSAL with Bidder's Name and Number, Bidder's Name and Address, and opening time and date. When sent by mail, or courier service, the sealed envelope containing the proposal, marked as indicated above, shall be enclosed in another envelope for mailing.
- 2.2 Forms furnished, or copies thereof, shall be used in strict compliance with the requirements of the Bid, these instructions, and the instructions printed on the forms as necessary. Special care should be exercised in the preparation of bids. Bidders must make their own estimates of the facilities and difficulties attending the performance of the proposed contract, including local conditions, uncertainty of weather, and all other contingencies.

- 2.3 All designations and prices shall be fully and clearly set forth. The proper space in the bid and guaranty forms shall be suitable filled in.
- **2.4** Fill in all blanks on the Bid Form with non-erasable ink or type. Erasers or other changes must be explained or noted over the signature of the bidder.
- 2.5 The Bid Form may have a Contingency Allowance listed. If so, add this amount to the Bid Base to derive the Total Bid. The Contingency Allowance covers unforeseen conditions and shall not be used by the CONTRACTOR without the written authorization of the Owner. At the conclusion of the project, the unused portion of the Contingency Allowance shall revert to the Owner.
- 2.6 Each bid must give the full business address of the bidder and must be signed by him / her with his / her usual signature. Bids by partnerships must furnish the full names of all names of all partners and must be signed with the partnership name by one of the members of the partnership, or by an authorized representative, followed by the signature and designation of the person signing. Bids by corporations must be signed with the partnership name by one of the members of the partnership, or by an authorized representative, followed by the signature and designation of the person signing. Bids by corporations must be signed with the legal name of the corporation followed by the name of the State of Incorporation and by the signature and designation of the president, secretary, or other person authorized to bind it in the matter. The name of each person who affixes to this signature the word "president", "secretary", "agent", or other designation without disclosing his principal, may be held to be the proposal of the individual signing. When requested by the City of Fairhope, satisfactory evidence of the authority of the officer signing in behalf of the corporation shall be furnished.
- 2.7 Each project will be bid separately unless otherwise expressly requested in the contract document. Combination bids, that is, bids on separate projects lumped together as a single bid or on all or none basis, will not be accepted unless the contract document expressly requests or permits same. Alternate bids will not be considered unless requested. Bidders are to provide with their bid, a reference list to include name / address / phone number.
- 2.8 Bids may be withdrawn by written or telegraphic request received from the bidder prior to the time fixed for opening. No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of THIRTY (30) days subsequent to the opening of bid without the consent of the City Council of the City of Fairhope.
- **2.9** The CONTRACTOR agrees to perform the work within the time stated in the Bid Response Form. The bidder in submitting an offer accepts the conditions of the contract period stated for performing the work.
- 2.10 If more than one bid is offered by any one party, by or in a name of his clerk, partner, corporation in which he has a substantial interest, or in which he is an officer, or other person, all such proposals may be rejected. A party who has quoted prices on materials to a CONTRACTOR is not thereby disqualified from quoting prices to other CONTRACTORS or from submitting a bid directly for the materials or work. The City reserves the right to determine in its discretion whether the provisions of this clause have been violated by any CONTRACTOR.

2.11 Compliance with or variations from the specifications must be noted as to each item on the Specification Sheet. This requirement must be met even though the Purchasing Manager may alter the specifications in the form of an addendum to accommodate variances. A request for a change in the specifications to accommodate a variation must be called to the attention of the Purchasing Manager at least seventy-two (72) hours before the bid opening date. All requests for such changes will be considered and the merits weighed. Only those changes in specifications deemed to be in the best interest of the City will be made. In the event of a change in specifications, an addendum will be supplied to bidders. Exceptions may be accepted if they are minor, equal, or superior to that which is specified, and provided that they are listed and fully explained on a separate page entitled, "Exceptions to Specifications". The exceptions shall refer to the specification page and paragraph number The City shall determine which (if any) exceptions are acceptable and this determination shall be final.

# 3.0 ERRORS / REJECTION OF PROPOSAL

- 3.1 Bids that contain irregularities of any kind may be declared unacceptable at the discretion of the City. The City may waive any minor irregularities and may reject any or all proposals.

  Bids received after the deadline will be returned to the proposer unopened.
- 3.2 Bidders or their authorized agents are expected to examine the maps, drawings, specifications, and all other instructions pertaining to the work, which will be open to their inspection. Failure to do so will be at the bidder's own risk. In case of error, in the extension of prices the unit price will govern.
- 3.3 Contact initiated by a potential bidder with a City official will be only as specifically set out in this invitation. Any other contact with a City official initiated by a potential bidder or bidder regarding this bid, between the date of this invitation to the date of bid award, shall be deemed and treated as an attempt to unduly influence the bid award, and may be grounds for rejection of the bid submitted by the bidder initiating such other contract, at the discretion of the City of Fairhope. All questions regarding the contents of this bid should be directed to the Purchasing Manager.
- 3.4 If there is any reason for believing that collusion exists among the bidders, any or all bids may be rejected, and those participating in such collusion may be barred from submitting bids on the same or other work with the City.
- 3.5 The City of Fairhope reserves the right to reject the bid of a bidder who has previously failed to perform properly or complete on time contracts of a similar nature, or a bid of a bidder who is not, in the judgement of the City, in a position to perform the Contract.

# 4.0 PROPOSAL ACCEPTANCE / AWARD OF CONTRACT

4.1 Bids with the lowest Total Bid amount from a responsive and responsible bidder may be accepted if within the contract budget. In the event that alternates are listed on the Bid Form, the lowest combination of Total Bid and Alternate Bid accepted by the owner shall be the accepted bid. Alternates shall be awarded in the order in which they are listed on the Bid Form.

- 4.2 The bid to whom award is made must, when requested, enter into written contract on the standard form as set out herein, with satisfactory security in the amount required, within the period specified, or, if no period be specified, within 15 days after the required forms are presented for signature.
- 4.3 Limitations: The CONTRACTOR shall not sublet, assign, transfer, convey, sell or otherwise dispose of any portions of the contract, his right, title, or interest therein, or his power to execute such contact, to any person, firm or corporation without written consent of the City, and such written consent shall not be construed to relieve the CONTRACTOR of any responsibility for the fulfillment of the contract. Unless otherwise stipulated in the proposal or special provisions, the CONTRACTOR shall perform with his own organization, and with the assistance of workmen under his immediate superintendence and reported on his payroll, all contract work of a value not less than 50 percent of the total contract amount, except that any items designated in the contract as "Specialty Items" so performed by subcontract may be deducted from the total contract amount before computing the amount of work required to be performed by the CONTRACTOR with his own organization.
- 4.4 Sub-contractor's Status: A Sub-CONTRACTOR shall be recognized only in the capacity of an employee or agent of the CONTRACTOR and the CONTRACTOR will be responsible to the City for all of the sub-contractor's work, including failures or omissions; and his removal may be required by the Project Manager, as in the case of an employee.

#### 5.0 PROSECUTION OF WORK

- 5.1 The Contractor shall prosecute the work continuously and diligently in the order and manner set out in his schedule as approved by the Project Manager. He shall provide sufficient satisfactory materials, labor, and equipment to ensure that the work will be completed in a satisfactory manner within the time specified in the contract.
- 5.2 Should the Contractor fail to maintain a satisfactory rate of progress, the City may require that additional forces and/or equipment be placed on the work to bring the project up to schedule and maintain it at any level.
- 5.3 Should the Contractor fail to furnish sufficient satisfactory equipment and/or labor for maintaining the quality and progress of the work at satisfactory level, the Project Manager may withhold all estimates that may become due until satisfactory quality and progress are maintained; or the contract may be annulled.

# 6.0 PAYMENT

**6.1** Upon completion of service and delivery of materials specified in the applicable contract or purchase order, awarded vendor will submit an invoice and signed delivery ticket to:

City of Fairhope Accounts Payable Department P.O. Drawer 429 Fairhope, AL 36533 ap@fairhopeal.gov

**6.2** All invoices must reference appropriate Purchase Order Numbers and / or Contract Number, Project Number, etc.

6.3 All invoices received by the City of Fairhope are payable within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt by the City of Fairhope, provided they are approved by the City of Fairhope.

# ITEM III **INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

Awarded Contractor, at its sole expense, shall obtain and maintain in full force the following insurance to protect the Contractor and the City of Fairhope at limits and coverages specified herein. The City of Fairhope will be listed as an additional insured under the Contractor's General Liability insurance and automobile liability insurance policies and all other applicable policies and certificates of insurance. These limits and coverages specified are the minimum to be maintained and are not intended to represent the correct insurance needed to fully and adequately protect the awarded bidder.

All insurance will be provided by insurers by admitted carriers in the State of Alabama, shall have a minimum A.M. Best rating of A-VII and must be acceptable to the City. Self-insured plans and/or group funds not having an A.M. Best rating must be submitted to the City for prior approval.

# NO WORK IS TO BE PERFORMED UNTIL PROOF OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY THE CITY.

# Worker's Compensation and Employer's Liability

Part One: Statutory Benefits as required by the State of Alabama

Part Two: Employer's Liability \$1,000,000 each accident \$1,000,000 each employee

\$1,000,000 **Policy Limit** 

# U.S. Longshoreman & Harbor Workers Act (USL&H)

Required if contract involves work near a navigable waterway that may be subject to the USL&H law.

# **Maritime Endorsement (Jones Act)**

Endorsement required if contract involves the use of a Vessel. Or includes coverage for "Master or Member or Crew" under" Protection and Indemnity" coverage (P&I) unless crew is covered under Workers Compensation.

| Bodily injury by accident | \$1,000,000 | each accident |
|---------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Bodily injury by disease  | \$1,000,000 | aggregate     |

#### **Commercial General Liability**

Coverage on an Occurrence from with a combined single limit of (Bodily Injury and Property Damage) combined as follows:

| Each occurrence                        | \$1,000,000 |
|--|-------------|
| Personal and Advertising Injury        | \$1,000,000 |
| Products/Completed Operation Aggregate | \$2,000,000 |
| General Aggregate                      | \$2,000,000 |

# Coverage to include:

Premises and operations
Personal injury and Advertising Injury
Products/completed operations
Independent Contractors
Blanket Contractual Liability
Explosion, Collapse and Underground hazards

Broad Form Property Damage Railroad Protective Liability Insurance if work involves construction, demolition, or

maintenance operations on or within 50 feet of a railroad.

# **Automobile Liability**

Covering all owned, non-owned, and hired vehicles with a limit of no less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit of Bodily injury and property damage per occurrence.

# **Certificates of Insurance**

A Certificate of Insurance evidencing the above minimum requirements must be provided to and accepted by the City PRIOR to commencement of any work on the contract. Each policy shall be endorsed to provide ten (10) days written notice of cancellation to the City.

The Contractor shall require certificates of insurance from sub-Contractors. Sub-Contractors will carry limits of insurance equal to or greater than those carried by the Contractor. These certificates shall evidence waivers of subrogation in favor of the Contractor and the City and shall be made available to the City upon request.

# **ITEM IV**

# SCOPE OF WORK AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR IN-SERVICE WOOD POLE INSPECTION (SOUND AND BORE) AND INVENTORY

# General:

- **Scope:** This specification is intended as a basis for the inspection, numbering and inventory of wood poles. Poles less than 7 years old will only be visually inspected, inventoried, numbered provided visual inspection does not warrant further testing. All other poles are to be inspected both above the ground and where the ground and pole meet (groundline).
- 1.2 <u>Contract Definitions</u>:

OWNER: City of Fairhope
 CONTRACTOR: TBD

CONTRACTOR Requirements: CONTRACTOR shall furnish all supervision, labor, tools, equipment, report forms, field adaptable handheld data collection devices, transportation, and material necessary for the inspection, numbering and inventory of OWNER's poles as identified. OWNER will furnish copies of this specification and necessary maps showing locations of poles which are the subjects for inspection. OWNER shall provide CONTRACTOR the legal right to access the work site.

**CONTRACTOR** is required to have a minimum of 5 years in the in-service pole inspection business. CONTRACTOR must have documented programs/policies conforming to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration ("OSHA") and the Department of Transportation ("DOT"). These policies must include a safety manual and and OSHA regulations involving Personal Protective Equipment ("PPE"). **Safe Work Practices** are a condition of this contract and CONTRACTORs are expected to follow all safety guidelines. CONTRACTOR must have a <u>current</u> Interstate Experience Modification Rate (EMR) safety rating of less than 0.80 for 3 years or more (**notarized documentation from CONTRACTOR's insurance carrier must be included in proposal**). Furthermore, CONTRACTORs 2018 TRIR (Total Recordable Incident Rate) must be 2.50 or less. The 2018 average Utility (electrical) is 3.0.

CONTRACTOR shall maintain throughout the term of the applicable agreement, in full force and effect, in amounts reasonably satisfactory to OWNER and otherwise in compliance with applicable law, the following insurance coverages: Workers' Compensation, Commercial General Liability (including Public Liability, Personal Injury, Property Damage, and Contractual Liability) and Automobile Liability. Prior to the commencement of the work, CONTRACTOR shall furnish OWNER with a certificate evidencing said coverages.

# 1.4 Personnel Qualifications:

#### **1.4.1** Foremen Qualifications: Each Foreman shall have:

- A minimum of eight weeks formal training in the art of inspecting poles
- A minimum of six months experience as a pole inspector foreman
- Passed a written or demonstration test to the satisfaction of CONTRACTOR

Foreman with less than six months experience, who has completed a training program specifically designed to acquaint them with the procedures for pole inspection, may be used if all the following conditions are met:

- Weekly quality checks by his/her CONTRACTOR Supervisor are performed on the Foreman's work for the first four weeks after completion of training (an OWNER representative will be contacted regarding the scheduling of these quality checks and is encouraged to be present at the quality checks)
- CONTRACTOR Quality Control report forms are submitted to OWNER by the end of the following week
- OWNER's representative may request that a Quality Control inspection be performed at anytime (CONTRACTOR's supervisory personnel will be present at the quality checks)
- Other options reasonably requested by OWNER

OWNER reserves the right to ask for evidence of previous experience and training in the form of letters of reference and test results. Personnel are subject to approval by OWNER.

# **1.4.2 Supervisor Qualifications:** The Supervisor shall:

- Hold the position of CONTRACTOR's Supervisor in the state of Alabama where the work is to be performed.
- Have a minimum of two years field experience in the art of inspecting poles.

# **1.4.3** Manager Qualifications: The Manager shall:

- Hold the position of CONTRACTOR's Manager in the state of Alabama where the work is to be performed
- Have at least four years field experience in the art of inspecting poles
- Workmanship and Damages: All work shall be performed in a workmanlike manner and shall be in accordance with this specification and all applicable federal and state regulations. OWNER considers work not in accordance with this specification or work not in accordance with state and federal regulations, or unskilled or careless work, to be sufficient reason to order CONTRACTOR to stop work. Work will not be allowed to resume until deficiencies are corrected to the reasonable satisfaction of OWNER. Further, OWNER reserves the right to require CONTRACTOR to replace any worker before work is allowed to continue. If not satisfied, OWNER will consider this to be just cause for termination of the contract.

Any damages, real or personal, off the right-of-way arising solely from the negligent performance of the work specified herein, or any damages on the right-of-way arising solely as a result of negligent operations, shall be settled promptly by CONTRACTOR.

OWNER recognizes that linemen must inspect all poles to their satisfaction prior to climbing, whether or not such poles have been inspected by a third-party CONTRACTOR. An inspection tag on a pole is not a guarantee the pole is safe to climb. OWNER should inform linemen that the inspection tag only means the pole was inspected in the stated year in accordance with the contract specifications. An inspection tag is neither an expressed nor implied warranty that the pole meets the National Electric Safety Code ("NESC"), the General Order No. 95 ("GO 95"), or any other applicable standard. Linemen must also practice all other safety procedures when climbing poles and changing out or adding equipment or lines or cutting lines, all of which may create an unbalanced load. An unbalanced load may cause sound poles to fail.

# 1.6 Quality Control:

- Quality Control Inspection: A Quality Control ("QC") inspection shall be performed for each time period of not less than one week's work, but not to exceed two weeks' previous work. The QC inspection will be conducted with CONTRACTOR's Supervisor, and at OWNER's option, with OWNER's representative when available. The QC inspection shall consist of the partial to complete re-inspection of those poles selected by OWNER's representative to compare the results shown on the pole report inspection sheets with those existing in the field. CONTRACTOR's cost of said re-inspections shall be borne by CONTRACTOR. At least three poles will be selected for each QC inspection. OWNER shall be issued a copy of the QC field report.
- **1.6.2** <u>Discrepancies and Corrective Action</u>: Any serious errors will be brought to the attention of CONTRACTOR. Corrective action, reasonably satisfactory to OWNER,

must be taken by CONTRACTOR to remedy the situation before the next QC check. The corrective action may include, but not be limited to, re-working each pole back to the previous QC check point at no cost to OWNER.

- **1.7** <u>Definitions for Inspection</u>: Pole inspection categories are defined as follows:
  - about which OWNER desires information, including poles the CONTRACTOR identifies as not present in the field, or any pole that is judged to be unserviceable prior to inspection (as specified in Section 3.2), or any pole which is determined by CONTRACTOR, in CONTRACTOR's reasonable opinion, to be inaccessible. Poles less than 7 years old may be subjected to further evaluation at CONTRACTOR's discretion. Copper naphthenate and Cellon treated poles shall be sound and bore inspected according to Sections 3.3 and 3.4 regardless of age.

This inspection method provides no indication of groundline wood strength except for the possible notation of pole class. If used alone, this inspection provides little information to help OWNER improve its pole plant. This inspection method will miss most priority and reject poles.

Sounding and Boring: Poles shall be sounded with a hammer from either groundline or above groundline as applicable, to as high as an inspector can reach in order to locate exterior decay or interior pockets of decay. Inspector shall bore pole at least once to detect interior decay (a shell thickness indicator shall be used to detect the existence and extent of interior decay). If decay is present, the pole shall be bored a sufficient number of times to determine the location and extent of decay discernable with this method. Bored holes shall be plugged with tight-fitting treated wood dowels or plastic plugs.

This inspection method can miss poles without sufficient strength to meet NESC, GO 95, or other mandated overload capacity requirements, and there is the possibility of missing those poles with insufficient strength to support the current loading. This is particularly true when the decayed area is below ground level or if the inspector's tools do not contact hidden, damaged areas. Used in conjunction with visual inspection, historical data shows approximately 50% to 60% of reject and priority poles will be found.

- **1.7.3** Rejected Pole: A rejected pole is any pole that meets the criteria specified in Sections 3.2 and/or 4.1.
- 1.7.4 Priority Pole: A priority pole is any pole that is in need of immediate attention (restoration or replacement); usually has an average shell of 1" or less (for distribution poles) or 2" or less (for transmission poles, or less than one-half of its original circumference (if OWNER opts to specify alternative criteria, it must be specified in writing to CONTRACTOR). The location of priority poles will be reported to OWNER's representative as specified by OWNER in writing.

treatment process, poles manufactured with copper naphthenate or Cellon (pentachloraphenol in Ip gas) treatment can be prone to inconsistent decay patterns and there is a probability of decay being present at heights far above groundline. Due to these inconsistent decay patterns, an accurate assessment of copper napthenate and Cellon treated poles cannot be performed using traditional inspection procedures of sound and bore at groundline. OWNER should assume that any inspection information provided by CONTRACTOR is incomplete and does not represent an accurate opinion on the serviceability of the pole. CONTRACTOR does not warrant or offer any type of indemnification on any inspections performed on copper naphthenate or Cellon treated poles.

Furthermore, it is recommended that OWNER inspect copper naphthenate and Cellon treated poles above the groundline to the tip or the maximum height allowed. CONTRACTOR does not perform this service.

2.0 <u>Safety Equipment:</u> CONTRACTOR shall provide each crew with all required PPE. All field employees are required to wear work boots, leather gloves and hard hats. OWNER may require proof that all CONTRACTOR employees that can come into contact with consumers is able to speak English as a primary or secondary language. Employees should be identified as a "CONTRACTOR" utilizing an employee identification badge and / or appropriate clothing identifying contracting firm's name. All vehicles must have a professional exterior with utility industry appearance.

# 3.0 Inspection:

- OWNER should be notified that a pole inspection is being performed by OWNER Light brush will be removed from around the pole to allow for proper sound and bore inspection unless permission for removal is denied by property OWNER (excessive brush removal may require an additional charge). Property OWNER's denial will be indicated in the remarks column on the pole report. CONTRACTOR will not inspect or perform work on poles inaccessible by Acts of God or by any causes beyond the control of CONTRACTOR. Reason for the lack of inspection will be noted in the remarks column of the pole report.
- Above-Ground Inspection: A visual inspection of all poles shall be made from groundline to the top of the pole. The following defects visible from the ground with a naked eye will be noted: woodpecker holes, split tops, decayed tops, broken insulators, rotten/broken crossarms, and slack/broken guy wires. If the pole is obviously not suited for continued service due to readily identifiable serious defects, it shall either: (i) not be tested further and simply be reported and marked on the inspection form as a reported reject; or (ii) the pole may be sounded and bored to determine whether or not it is a priority pole and be reported on the inspection form as a sound and bore reject.
- **3.3 Sounding:** Poles shall be sounded from as high as the inspector can reach to the exposed groundline area in order to locate interior pockets of decay. Hammer marks should be visible to indicate that the area was sounded.
- **Boring:** Inspector shall bore the pole. Bore hole(s) shall be located at groundline and should be drilled at a 45° angle to a depth sufficient to determine the condition of the pole. A shell thickness indicator shall be used to detect the existence and estimated extent of any interior decay.

If heart rot or enclosed decay pockets are evident in a pole, a minimum of four borings will be taken to determine the size and extent of decay. Bored holes shall be plugged with tight-fitting treated wood dowels or plastic plugs.

# 4.0 <u>Evaluation</u>:

**4.1** <u>Determining Minimum Groundline Circumference</u>: Measurements of the following decay and damage conditions shall be collected and input into a strength calculating program which will calculate the remaining strength of the pole: shell rot, exposed pockets, enclosed pockets, trimmer/mechanical damage, impact/mechanical damage, and heart rot.

Decay measurements are entered with consideration for the orientation to the line of lead and the program models the resulting cross section. Multiple types of damage are combined within the calculations and the center of gravity of the pole cross section is adjusted accordingly.

The output is shown as estimated Groundline Effective Circumference. This is the circumference of a smaller, sound pole that approximates the bending capacity equivalent to the decayed pole's remaining strength. Groundline Effective Circumferences are estimates of true pole condition based on the limitations of the inspection method.

# A "Reject Pole" is:

- A pole with a Groundline Effective Circumference less than the Minimum Effective
   Circumference Allowed in Table 1 or other criteria approved in writing by OWNER.
- Poles with heart rot having a minimum average shell less than 2" (for distribution poles) or 3" (for transmission poles)

#### A "Priority Pole" is:

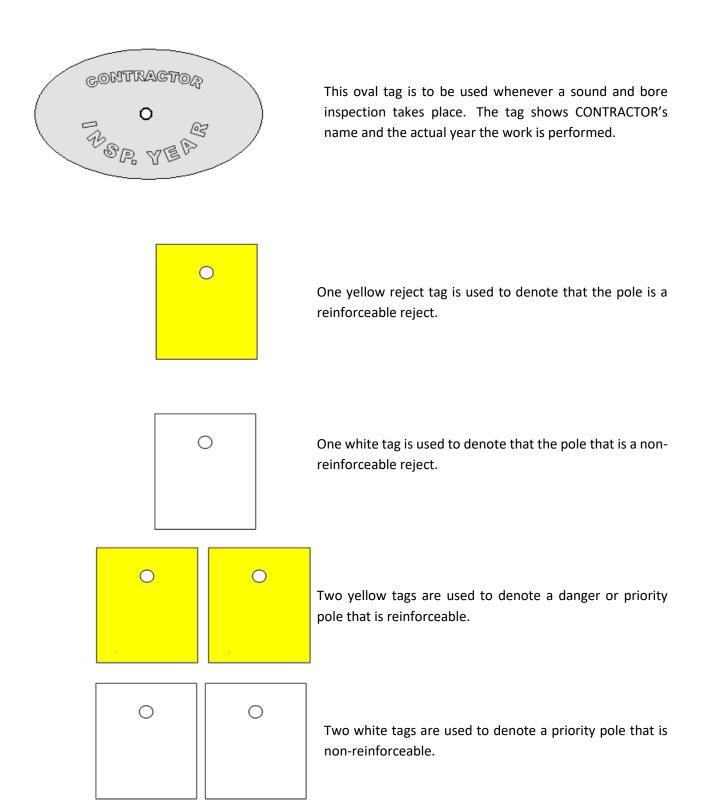
- A pole with an effective circumference of less than 50% of its original circumference and shall be reported to OWNER's representative as specified by OWNER in writing
- A pole with heart rot having an average minimum shell equal to or less than 1" (for distribution poles) or 2" (for transmission poles)
- **4.2** <u>Determining Reinforceable Candidates:</u> When the initial inspection results in the rejection of a pole, the pole shall be marked for replacement or reinforcement. All of the following inspections shall be performed to determine if the pole is reinforceable:
  - **4.2.1** The pole shall be sounded thoroughly concentrating on the zone 15" to 5' above groundline.
  - 4.2.2 A minimum of two borings shall be made at 5' above groundline, to determine the average shell thickness at this level. The first boring shall be made perpendicular to the Line of Lead. A second boring shall be made opposite (180º) the first boring, whenever possible. Additional borings should be made, as necessary, to determine the average shell thickness. If the average shell thickness at 5' above the groundline is 4", the pole can be reinforced provided it meets the criteria specified in Section

- 4.2.3. If the average is less than the required 4", the pole should be checked at 6' to determine if the required shell thickness exists at 6'. If the average shell thickness at 6' above the groundline is 4", the pole can be reinforced provided it meets the criteria specified in Section 4.2.3.
- 4.2.3 A minimum of two borings shall be made at 15" above groundline, to determine the average shell thickness at this level. The first boring shall be made perpendicular to the Line of Lead. A second boring shall be made opposite (180º) the first boring, whenever possible. Additional borings shall be made, as necessary. If the average shell thickness at 15" is 2" or greater, the pole is a candidate for reinforcement. Poles with less than 2" of average shell, at 15" above groundline, can be reinforced if they have an average shell thickness of 2" or greater at 26" and the requirements specified in Section 4.2.2 are met.
- **4.2.4** If it was necessary to go to 26" or 6' to obtain the required shell thickness, a notation will be made in the pole record.
- **4.2.5** All inspection holes shall be plugged with tight-fitting treated wood dowels or plastic plugs.
- Pole Marking (Tagging): All inspected poles shall be marked with a weather proof tag identifying the work performed, CONTRACTOR's name, and the year of inspection in a fashion similar to the designations shown in the following drawings. The tagging scheme used by CONTRACTOR <u>must</u> be shown to OWNER's representative and approved before it is used.

Condition assessment tags shall be supplied by CONTRACTOR and placed 5' to 6' above groundline on the road side of the pole, below the utility pole identification marker. If inspecting a pole that has previously been inspected, the tag will be attached directly below the existing tag(s).

The following are illustrations of the various types of "tags" used and an explanation as to when they are used. It is important that the proper tag be used on every pole that is inspected.

# 5.1 <u>Tag Examples:</u>



# 6.0 **Pole Inventory and Attachment Inventory**:

# **6.1 Pole Inventory:** The data collected for each pole shall include the following:

- Pole Number installed by CONTRACTOR
- OWNER shall provide identification tags and appropriate adhesive to be installed by CONTRACTOR
- Inspection date and time (arriving and departing)
- GPS coordinates
- Pole use (distribution, transmission, service, stub)
- Pole type (wood, metal, concrete)
- Pole treatment, if known (CCA, Creosote, Penta, etc.)
- Primary and/or secondary service
- Pole class
- Height
- Diameter
- Manufacturer, if available
- Year of manufacture, if available
- 1 photo approaching pole
- 1 photo of pole top
- Defects & Hazards (unlimited), each with at least one photo
- Requires Service (trimming, broken ground, slack guy, etc.)
- Pole Status (serviceable, visual reject, priority reject, dangerous)

# **6.2** Attachment Inventory:

- CATV
- Telco
- Fiber optic
- Light including types and use
- Guy
- Transformer
- Capacitor
- Lightning arrestor
- Line fuse
- Cutout
- Fused cutout
- Oil switch
- Smart switch
- Regulator
- Recloser
- Reinforcement
- Cross arm (wood, metal, fiberglass)
- Underground termination

# 7.0 Data Collection and Deliverable:

7.1 <u>Data Requirements:</u> OWNER desires to improve the overall quality and completeness of pole inspection data as a secondary objective of the project. The combination of a data viewing tool together with improved data quality will help improve OWNER's ability to manage pole life cycle costs. The importance of the data-collection effort requires that it be performed professionally with data captured done at the time of the inspection by experienced field personnel using technology that ensures delivery of high-quality data. OWNER may elect to provide pole plant data to pre-populate attributes in the handheld device for the CONTRACTOR to validate or correct.

The CONTRACTOR will digitally capture and deliver pole attribute and condition per United States Government preferred standard minimum (currently 4-meter RMS, 7.8 meter 95% confidence interval) information as part of this project. GPS coordinates and digital images of will be provided to the OWNER. The CONTRACTOR also will place pole locations relative to the specified landbase while in the field. The inspection data will be delivered with the landbase in a geospatial display for viewing, as well as querying the results of the inspections. The Company also requires the capability to create reports of the inspection data and to export the data in an Access database.

CONTRACTOR will provide appropriate hardware, software, and project management to ensure that OWNER receives data that meets its requirements for accuracy and completeness. At OWNER's request, CONTRACTOR can provide a demonstration of CONTRACTOR's data collection tools, processes, and a sample deliverable.

- **7.2** <u>Data Specifications</u>: A CONTRACTOR-supplied or OWNER-supplied landbase that is acceptable to CONTRACTOR will be deployed by CONTRACTOR electronically to the field. A unique identifier will be created for each pole. Each pole will be placed on the digital landbase using GPS and/or relative positioning.
- 7.3 <u>Data Delivery</u>: Data collected will be delivered online in a geospatial enabled web-based application that includes both map and attribute views of the data. The online application shall provide access to reports and data queries with support of user generated search functions. Poles must be able to be searched and sorted into groups based on their condition, their attributes, their attachments (when applicable), and highlighted in a map view.

The online application shall provide a landbase backdrop that includes aerial imagery capable of being viewed at various zoom levels. CONTRACTOR's geospatial online application will be compatible with industry standard web browsers such as Windows Internet Explorer 7.0 or 8.0, or Firefox 2.0 or later. All incremental data deliveries will be updated on the geospatial online application. CONTRACTOR shall host the data in the online application, but OWNER shall retain ownership of data (see Section 6.4 for information regarding data archiving).

The geospatial online application shall provide the capability to view and download reports in Adobe PDF format. Reports shall consist of pole detail, weekly, and year-to-date summaries. CONTRACTOR's web-based application must support the ability to view all invoices, in Adobe PDF format, with the ability to relate each individual pole record with the corresponding

invoice.

Data export functionality shall include the ability to export to an ESRI Personal geodatabase, shapefile compatible with OWNERS GIS system, Microsoft Access, and a comma delimited (Excel Spreadsheet) file format. The geospatial online application shall support the printing of map views and, if applicable, viewing of digital images.

7.4 <u>Data Archiving</u>: CONTRACTOR will host the geospatial online application for the duration of the pole inspection project and for a maximum of 90 days after the end of the calendar year in which the project was completed. Options for additional archiving shall be made available at an additional cost. OWNER shall retain ownership of all data. Use of the geospatial online application will be governed by CONTRACTOR's online hosting agreement.

# 8.0 CONTRACTOR Information:

- **8.1** CONTRACTOR's Policies: Documentation of CONTRACTOR's policies for conforming to OSHA and DOT regulations must be provided upon request. The following must be included in the bid proposal. Failure to do so will result in disqualification for consideration as CONTRACTOR of choice.
  - Summary of CONTRACTOR's safety manual
  - Summary of OSHA regulations regarding PPE
  - Copy of ALABAMA Business License
  - E-Verify Compliance Notarized Affidavits
  - Provide a minimum of 5 references doing similar work
  - EMR of 0.80 or less (for 3 consecutive years or more) with a notarized verification letter by Insurance Carrier
  - Copy of 2010 TRC Rating (Total Recordable Cases of 2.50 or less) on file with OSHA
- **8.2** Work Schedule: CONTRACTOR must provide, upon request, a schedule outlining the number of crews proposed to complete work along with start dates and completion dates.
- 9.0 Invoicing: CONTRACTOR shall furnish OWNER with invoicing on a weekly basis. This invoicing practice is based on work performed weekly and will include the actual data and invoices with itemized billable items. Invoices shall be paid in accordance with the contract executed by the parties. In the event payment is not referenced in the contract, OWNER shall pay CONTRACTOR upon NET 30 day terms from the date of the invoice. A ten percent (10%) retention of the total weekly invoice may be held by OWNER until completion of the contract. CONTRACTOR will then invoice for the 10% retention at the discretion of the OWNER.
- 10.0 <u>Bid Information:</u> OWNERs system consists of approximately 4000 poles. Bids will be returned referencing the attached map pages which contain the approximate number of poles on each page. Bids will include costs to perform work on each page as well as total cost of the entire system. Bids will also not cost per pole for any poles in excess of estimated quantities shown on the map pages. OWNER will award one contract for the project but will select which map pages work is completed on and in what order.

# 11.0 TABLE 1 - MINIMUM GROUNDLINE EFFECTIVE CIRCUMFERENCE (MEASURED AT POINT OF MAXIMUM DECAY)

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| Minimum Effective Circumference<br>Allowed (Inches) |
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| 52.25   |

# ITEM V BID RESPONSE FORM

# Bid No 016-19 Wood Pole Inspection and Inventory Survey - RE-BID

| Date: |  |  |  |
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BID NO.: Bid No 016-19

BID NAME: Pole Inspection and Inventory Survey

PROJECT NO.: ELE-003-19

PROJECT NAME: Pole Inspection and Inventory Survey

# 1.00 BIDDER'S DECLARATION AND UNDERSTANDING

- 1.1 The undersigned, hereinafter called the Bidder, declares that the only persons or parties interested in this Proposal are those named herein, that this Proposal is, in all respects, fair and without fraud, that it is made without collusion with any official of the CITY, and that the Proposal is made without any connection or collusion with any person submitting another Proposal on this Contract.
- 1.2 The Bidder further agrees that he has checked and verified the completeness of the Contract Documents and that he has exercised his own judgment regarding the interpretation of subsurface information utilizing all pertinent data in arriving at his conclusions. The Bidder shall be fully responsible for any damages or liability arising out of his or his subcontractors prebid investigations.
- 1.3 The Bidder understands and agrees that if a Contract is awarded, the CITY may elect to award all schedules under one Contract, lump sum, separately, or in any combination that best serves the interests of the CITY.
- 1.4 The Bidder further declares that he has carefully examined the Contract documents for the construction of the Project and has checked and verified the completeness of the Contract Documents; that he has personally inspected the site, that he has satisfied himself as to the quantities involved, including materials and equipment, and conditions of work involved. Bidder further declares that he is fully aware of the fact that the description of the work, quantities of work and materials, as included herein, is brief and is intended only to indicate the general nature of the work and to identify the said quantities with the detailed requirements of the Contract Documents. Bidder also declares that this Proposal is made according to the provisions and under the terms of the Contract Documents, which Documents are hereby made a part of this Proposal.

# 2.0 START OF CONTRACT AND COMPLETION TIME

The Bidder further agrees to begin work on the date stated in the Notice to Proceed and to fully complete the work, in all respects, within the time specified in the contract documents for completion, that being no later than September 20, 2019.

#### 3.0 BID RESPONSE

| The CONTRACTOR agrees to provide all materials, labor, equipment and supervision to perform this |
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| work as described and specified herein.  |

| Price per pole for up to 4,000 poles: |  |
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| \$                                    |  |

# 4.0 EXPERIENCE OF BIDDER:

Unless advised by the awarding authority in the Advertisement for Bids that the same is not required, the Bidder submits the following list of at least three clients for whom projects involving construction of similar projects have been performed within the past 5 years.

| 1. | Name of Client | Telephone Number |                    |    |
|----|----------------|------------------|--------------------|----|
|    | Street         | _ City _         |                    | St |
| 2. | Name of Client |                  | _ Telephone Number |    |
|    | Street         | _ City _         |                    | St |
| 3. | Name of Client |                  | Telephone Number   |    |
|    | Street         | _ City _         |                    | St |

Each proposal must give the full business address of the proposer and must be signed by him / her with his / her usual signature. Proposals by partnerships must furnish the full names of all partners and must be signed with the partnership name by one of the members of the partnership, or by an authorized representative, followed by the signature and designation of the person signing. Proposals by Corporations must be signed with the legal name of the corporation followed by the name of the State of Incorporation and by the signature and designation of the President, secretary, or other person authorized to bind it in the matter. The name of each person shall also be typed or printed below the signature. A proposal by a person who affixes to this signature the word "president", "secretary", "agent" or other designation without disclosing his principal, may be held to be the proposer of the individual signing. When requested by the City of Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama, satisfactory evidence of the authority of the officer signing in behalf of the corporation shall be furnished.

The undersigned agrees to furnish the goods/services as requested by you for the City of Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama in your Request for Proposal, and certifies that they will meet or exceed the specifications called for. The undersigned has read all information pertaining to this bid and has resolved all questions. It is also understood and agreed that all prices quoted are F.O.B. as described in the bid documents and specifications. The undersigned also affirms he/she has not been in any agreement or collusion among bidders or prospective bidders in restraint of freedom of competition, by agreement to bid at a fixed price or to refrain from bidding or otherwise.

| WITNESS our hands this day of                          | , 2019.   |
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| (SIGNATURE of Individual Bidder)                       |   |
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| Business Mailing Address                               | Phone   |
| City, State, Zip code                                  |   |
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| Alabama General Contractor Specialties:                |   |

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# ITEM VI CITY OF FAIRHOPE STANDARD TERMS & CONDITIONS

#### 1. ACCEPTANCE OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement contains all terms and conditions agreed upon by the OWNER and Winning bidder. No other agreement, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this Agreement shall be deemed to exist or to bind either party hereto. The Winning Bidder shall not employ Subcontractors without the express written permission of the OWNER. No waiver, alteration, consent or modification of any of the provisions of the Agreement shall be binding unless in writing and signed by the OWNER and CONTRACTOR. This Agreement shall not be construed against the party or parties preparing it. It shall be construed as if all the parties and each of them jointly prepared this Agreement, and any uncertainty or ambiguity shall not be interpreted against one or more parties.

# 2. ACCEPTANCE OF WORK

The City of Fairhope will be deemed to have accepted the Work after the City of Fairhope agrees the Work is completed by signature on delivery or service tickets. In the event Work furnished under the Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order is found to be defective or does not conform to the intent of the Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order, the awarded vendor shall, after receipt of notice from the City of Fairhope, correct the deficiencies. Failure on the part of the awarded vendor to properly correct the deficiencies within the time period allowed will constitute the City of Fairhope's right to cancel the Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order immediately, upon written notice to the awarded vendor.

# 3. ADDENDA

All Addenda are part of the Contract Documents. Include resultant costs in the Bid. Addenda will be issued by email to all Bidders on record and posted to the City of Fairhope website <a href="www.fairhopeal.gov">www.fairhopeal.gov</a>. It is the responsibility of the bidder to verify that all addenda have been received, and to include all signed addenda in the bid submission

## 4. ADDITIONAL ORDERS

Unless it is specifically stated to the contrary in the bid response, the City of Fairhope reserves the option to place additional orders against a contract awarded as a result of this solicitation at the same terms and conditions; to extend the renewal date until a new bid is in place, if it is mutually agreeable.

# 5. APPLICABLE LAW

This Agreement is deemed to be under and shall be governed by and construed according to the laws of the

State of Alabama. Any litigation arising out of the Agreement shall be heard in the Courts of Baldwin County, Alabama.

# 6. ASSIGNMENT

The awarded vendor shall not assign the Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order or sublet it as a whole without the express written permission of the City of Fairhope. The awarded vendor shall not assign any payment due them hereunder, without the express written permission of City of Fairhope. The City of Fairhope may assign the Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order, or sublet it as a whole, without the consent of the awarded vendor.

#### 7. ASSURANCE OF NON-CONVICTION OF BRIBERY

The bidder hereby declares and affirms that, to its best knowledge, none of its officers, directors, or partners and none of its employees directly involved in obtaining contracts has been convicted of bribery, attempted bribery or conspiracy to bribe under the laws of any state or Federal government.

# 8. AWARD CONSIDERATION

The following factors will be considered in determining the lowest **responsible** bidder: Overall quality, Conformity with specifications both general and specific, Purposes for which materials or services are required, Delivery dates and time required for delivery, Unit acquisition cost, financial ability to meet the contract, previous performance, facilities and equipment, availability of repair parts, experience, delivery promise, terms of payments, compatibility as required, other costs, and other objective and accountable factors which are reasonable.

#### 9. AWARD OR REJECTION OF BIDS

The Bid will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder complying with conditions of the invitation for bids, provided his bid is reasonable and it is in the interest of the City of Fairhope to accept it. The bidder to whom the award is made will be notified at the earliest possible date. The City of Fairhope, however, reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waiver any informality in bids received whenever such rejection or waiver is in the interest to the City of Fairhope.

# 10. BACK ORDERS

If it is necessary to back order any items, the vendor must notify the Purchasing Department and advice as to the expected shipping or delivery date. If this date is not acceptable, the City of Fairhope may seek remedies for default.

#### 11. BID AND PERFORMANCE SECURITY

If bid security is required, a bid bond or cashier's check in the amount indicated on the bid cover must accompany the bid and be made payable to The City of Fairhope of Baldwin County, Al. Corporate or certified checks are not acceptable. Bonds must be in a form satisfactory to the City and underwritten by a company licensed to issue bonds in the State of Alabama. If bid security fails to accompany the bid, it shall be deemed unresponsive, unless the Purchasing Manager deems the failure to be non-substantial. All checks will be returned to the bidders after the contract has been

Approved. If a performance bond is required, the successful bidder will be notified after the awarding of the contract.

#### 12. BRAND NAMES

Reference to brand names and numbers is descriptive, but not restrictive, unless otherwise specified. Bids on equivalent items meeting the standards of quality thereby indicated will be considered, providing the bid clearly describes the article offered and indicates how it differs from the referenced brands. Descriptive literature or manufacturers specifications plus any supplemental information necessary for comparison purposes should be submitted with the bid or the bid on that item may be rejected. Reference to literature submitted with a previous bid or on file with the Division of Purchasing will not satisfy this requirement. The burden is on the bidder to demonstrate that the item bid is equivalent to the item specified in the ITB. Bids without sufficient documentation to fully support equality, may be considered nonresponsive. Reference by the City of Fairhope in the ITB to available existing specifications shall be sufficient to make the terms of such specifications binding on the bidder. Unless the bidder specifies otherwise in its bid, it is understood the bidder is offering a referenced brand item as specified in the ITB or is bidding as specified when no brand is referenced. Failure to examine drawings, specifications and instructions will be at the bidder's risk.

### 13. BUSINESS LICENSE

The vendor selected to enter into a Contract / Agreement with the City of Fairhope must be licensed to do business in the City of Fairhope prior to commencement of any work under the contract. Delivery of goods or services to the City of Fairhope by Purchase Order have detailed and varied Business License requirements. In all instances that require a business license. Awarded vendor will provide proof of possessing a current City of Fairhope Business License. Prospective bidders will not be required to possess a City of Fairhope Business License prior to award.

# 14. CANCELLATION OF / CONTRACT / AGREEMENT / PURCHASE ORDER / LEASE

A purchase order can be canceled in whole or in part when

awarded vendor fails to deliver or perform as specified. Cancellation of a purchase order can only be made by a written purchase order change (POC) from the City of Fairhope. A term contract, lease or agreement can be canceled by the City of Fairhope, for justifiable cause, or convenience, by written notice.

#### 15. CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO ACT NO. 2006-557

Alabama law (section 41-4-116, code of Alabama 1975) provides that every bid submitted, and contract executed shall contain a certification that the vendor, CONTRACTOR, and all of its affiliates that make sales for delivery into Alabama or leases for use in Alabama are registered, collecting, and remitting Alabama state and local sales, use, and/or lease tax on all taxable sales and leases into Alabama. By submitting this bid, the bidder is hereby certifying that they are in full compliance with act no. 2006-557, they are not barred from bidding or entering into a contract pursuant to 41-4-116, and acknowledges that the awarding authority may declare the contract void if the certification is false. All corporations must register to do business in Alabama with the Office of the Secretary of State. Their address is:

# Office of the Secretary of State

P.O. Box 5616 Montgomery, AL 36103 (334) 242-5324

Fax: (334) 240-3138

http://www.sos.state.al.us/index.aspx

The Foreign Corporation form is online at http://www.sos.state.al.us/downloads/dl1.cfm.

# 16. COST OF REMEDYING DEFECTS

All defects, indirect and consequential costs of correcting, removing or replacing any or all of the defective materials or equipment will be charged against the awarded vendor.

# 17. DELIVERY OF BID

Bids must be received in the Purchasing Office by the date and time specified on the bid cover. All bids will be accepted until the time and date stated on the bid cover. No bids will be accepted that extend past the time and date on the bid cover. The time of receipt shall be determined by the time clock stamp in the Purchasing Department. Bids submitted by U.S. Mail must be received by the City of Fairhope of Baldwin County, Alabama, in the City of Fairhope offices, 555 South Section St., Fairhope, Al., unless otherwise specified.

#### 18. DELIVERY

The number of calendar days required for delivery after receipt of a purchase order shall be stated in the RFQ / ITB / RFP and /or Purchase Orders. When no time is stated in the

document, the time shall be fourteen (14) calendar days after receipt of order. If a shipment is not made within the time period specified, the Purchase Order may be canceled.

#### 19. ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS

All products will be clearly labeled for their intended use. Each delivery of product or materials will include a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for all materials that require an MSDS. All manufacturers/distributors of hazardous substances, including any of the items listed on this bid/quote/ contract and subsequent award must include completed material safety data sheet (MSDS) for each hazardous material. Additionally, each container of hazardous materials must be appropriately labeled with:

- a) The identity of the hazardous material,
- b) Appropriate hazard warnings, and manufacturer, importer, or other responsible party.

#### 20. EQUIPMENT DEMONSTRATION

The City of Fairhope may require equipment/ product materials or service techniques to be demonstrated at a time, date and location to be specified by the City of Fairhope.

# 21. EQUIPMENT ELECTRICAL CERTIFICATION

All electrical equipment purchased shall conform to, and be identified in, the applicable standard(s), or otherwise be certified as applicable, as of the bid opening date and time, by

Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. or other recognized laboratory facility. Bidder must provide satisfactory documentation with

returned bid that all such equipment meets the applicable product standard or has otherwise been certified as outlined above. Unless indicated in the bid document, the above certification shall apply to the equipment itself, not the individual components of that equipment.

#### 22. ERRORS IN BID

Bidders are assumed to be informed regarding conditions, requirements and specifications prior to submitting bids. Failure to do so will be at the bidder's risk. Bids already submitted may be withdrawn without penalty prior to bid opening. Errors discovered after the bid opening may not be corrected.

# 23. FORCE MAJEURE

Neither the City nor the awarded vendor shall be deemed in breach of any contract / Purchase Order or Agreement which may result from this proposal submission if it is prevented from performing any of the obligations hereunder by reason of Acts of God, acts of the public enemy, acts of superior governmental authority, strikes or labor disputes, floods, riots, rebellion, sabotage, or any similar other unforeseeable causes beyond its control and not due to its fault or negligence. Each party shall notify the

other immediately in writing of the cause of such after the beginning period thereof. The awarded vendor may request cancellation and the City of Fairhope may grant the request if performance is prevented by any of the above referenced causes, or other unavoidable circumstances not attributable to the fault or negligence of the vendor. The burden of proof for such relief rests with the vendor. All correspondence pertaining to cancellation of a purchase order or term contract must be addressed to the City of Fairhope Purchasing Manager.

#### 24. HAZARDOUS AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

Bidder must comply with all applicable Federal, State, County and City laws, ordinances and regulations relating to hazardous and toxic substances, including such laws, ordinances and regulations pertaining to information hazardous and toxic substances, and as amended from time to time. Bidder shall provide the City of Fairhope with a "Material Safety Data Sheet" for all goods that carry one.

#### 25. INDEMNITY

Indemnity: The awarded vendor hereby agrees to indemnify and save harmless the City of Fairhope, its officers, agent, and

employees, from and against any and all liabilities, claims, demands, damages, fines, fees, expenses, penalties, suits, proceedings, actions and cost of actions, including reasonable

attorney's fees for trial and on appeal, of any kind and nature, arising or growing out of, or in any way connected with the performance of this Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order, to

the extent caused by a negligent act or omission of the awarded vendor, their agents, servants, employees, Subcontractors, or others associated with the awarded vendor. The awarded vendor shall be responsible for damage to any equipment excluded from this agreement, or damage or injury caused by any equipment excluded from this agreement, only to the extent that the damage or injury is caused by a negligent act or omission of the awarded vendor, or caused by failure of the awarded vendor's supplied product to perform as specified.

#### 26. INSPECTION

All materials, workmanship, equipment, and supplies are subject to inspection and test at any source or time. Final inspection, acceptance or rejection will be made at delivery destination. Goods that do not meet specifications will be rejected unless substitutions have been approved by the City of Fairhope. Failure to inspect or to reject upon receipt, however, does not relieve the awarded vendor of liability. When subsequent tests, after receipt, are conducted and when such tests reveal a failure to meet specifications, the City of Fairhope will reject the goods and the awarded vendor shall immediately supply goods

meeting specifications or the City of Fairhope may seek damages including but not limited to the testing expense, regardless of whether a part of or all of the goods have been consumed through the testing process. Rejected goods shall be removed by the awarded vendor promptly after rejection, at his expense. If not removed in fourteen (14) calendar days, they may be disposed of at the discretion of the City of Fairhope. Disposal costs will be the awarded vendor's responsibility.

# **27. INSPECTION OF PREMISES**

At reasonable times, the City may inspect those areas of the awarded vendor's place of business that are related to the performance of a Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order. If the City makes such an inspection, the awarded vendor must provide reasonable assistance. The City of Fairhope reserves the right on demand and without notice all the vendor's files associated with a subsequent Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order where payments are based on the awarded vendor's record of time, salaries, materials, or actual expenses. This same clause will apply to any subcontractors assigned to the Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order.

#### 28. INSURANCE

If a Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order results from this RFO

/ITB /RFP, or other form of solicitation, the awarded vendor shall maintain such insurance as will indemnify and hold harmless the City of Fairhope from Workmen's Compensation and Public Liability

claims from property damage and personal injury, including death,

which may arise from the awarded vendor's operations under this Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order, or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by him/her.

# 29. INVITATION TO BID

Any provisions made in the RFQ / ITB / RFP, or other form of solicitation, supersedes any provisions outlined here in the General Terms and Conditions.

# 30. INVOICING, DELIVERY, PACKAGING

Invoices shall be prepared only after ordered materials have been delivered. All invoices must show the purchase order number. Unless otherwise specified in writing, vendors shall not ship any material without an authorized Purchase Order from the City of Fairhope Purchasing Department. All packages delivered must show the purchase order number. The awarded vendor will be required to furnish all materials, equipment and/or service called for at the bid price quoted. In the event the awarded vendor fails to deliver within a reasonable period of time, as determined by the City of Fairhope, the right is reserved to cancel the award and subsequent purchase order and purchase from the next lowest responsible bidder the items needed. The

original awarded vendor will be back charged the difference between the original contract price and the price the City of Fairhope has to pay as a result of the failure to perform by the original awarded vendor. All bids will remain firm for acceptance for 60 days from the date of bid opening. Prices shall be net F.O.B., Prepaid and Allow, City of Fairhope chosen site, Baldwin County, Al. The title and risk of loss of the goods will not pass to the City of Fairhope until receipt and acceptance takes place at the F.O.B. point.

# 31. LABELING

Individual shipping cartons shall be labeled with the name "City of Fairhope", Purchase Order Number, and where applicable, Contract Number, date of manufacture, batch number, storage requirements, conditions, and recommended shelf life. Bidders are encouraged to offer product packaging with recycled content.

#### 32. LOSS OR DAMAGE IN TRANSIT

Delivery by a vendor to a common carrier does not constitute delivery to the City of Fairhope. Any claim for loss or damage incurred during delivery shall be between the vendor and the carrier. The City of Fairhope accepts title only after satisfactory receipt at the delivery point. The City of Fairhope shall note all visible damages on the freight bill and may refuse the damaged goods. The vendor shall make immediate replacement of the damaged merchandise or be subject to damages for breach of contract. If damage is to a small portion of a total shipment and the City of Fairhope will not be inconvenienced because of the

shortage, the vendor may be permitted by the Purchasing Manager to deduct the amount of damage or loss from its invoice, in lieu of replacement. Risk of loss during delivery is borne by the vendor until the goods have been accepted by the City of Fairhope, unless otherwise specified in the RFQ / ITB / RFP or other form of

#### 33. MANDATORY SITE VISIT

solicitation.

If the RFQ / ITB /RFP or other form of solicitation requires a mandatory site visit, bidders must inspect the site where installation or service is to take place to obtain a full understanding of scope of work outlined therein. Date of site visit will be determined by the City of Fairhope.

# **34 MONITORING OF SERVICES**

Performance of services will be monitored by the requisitioning department and/or the Purchasing Department, and evaluation reports may be filed with the Purchasing Department. Performance not meeting specifications will result in cancellation of Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order and may result in vendor being removed from the vendor list.

#### 35. NON-CONFORMING MERCHANDISE

When merchandise received from the lowest responsible

bidder is not in accordance with the purchase order, it will be returned to the bidder, at bidder's expense.

#### **36. NON-DESCRIMINATION**

The City of Fairhope is an Equal Opportunity Employer and requires that all CONTRACTORs comply with the Equal Employment Opportunity laws and the provisions of the Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order documents in this regard. The City also encourages and supports the utilization of Minority Business Enterprises on this and all public bids.

#### 37. NON-EXCLUSIVE

Unless otherwise specified, this Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order is considered a non-exclusive Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order between the parties.

#### 38. NOTIFICATION AND ACCIDENT REPORTS

In the event of accidents of any kind, in the performance of a Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order, the awarded vendor shall notify the City of Fairhope immediately and furnish, without delay, copies of all such accident reports to the City of Fairhope. If in the performance of their Work, the awarded vendor fails to immediately report an accident to the City of Fairhope, of which the awarded vendor has knowledge of and which results in a fine levied against the City of Fairhope then the awarded vendor shall be responsible for all fines levied against the City of Fairhope.

#### 39. PACKAGING

All goods must be packaged in new packing containers. Packing that meets the requirements of common carriers is acceptable, unless otherwise required. A packing slip or invoice must accompany all shipments and must reference the purchase order number. Unless otherwise specified, goods are to be packaged in cartons meeting federal specifications and shipped on non-returnable pallets.

### **40. PATENTS**

Awarded Vendor guarantees that the sale and / or use of goods will not infringe upon any U.S. or foreign patent. Awarded vendor will at his / her own expense, indemnify, protect and save harmless the City of Fairhope, on any patent claims arising from the purchase of goods or services.

# 41. PAYMENT

Invoices -- Upon completion of service and delivery of materials specified in the applicable purchase order, awarded

vendor will submit an invoice and signed delivery ticket to:

City of Fairhope Accounts Payable Department P.O. Box 429 Fairhope, Al. 36533 ap@fairhopeal.gov All invoices must reference appropriate Purchase Order Numbers Payment of Invoice: All invoices received by the City of Fairhope are payable within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt by the City of Fairhope, provided they are approved by the City of Fairhope.

#### **42. PAYMENT WITHHELD**

Payment may be withheld until all items have been delivered and all requirements of the Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order have been fulfilled

#### 43. PRODUCT TESTING

Vendor shall incur all cost involved in obtaining an Independent Laboratory Test if the City deems necessary during the term of the Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order. The City of Fairhope reserves the right to request a demonstration of any and all items bid before making the award.

#### 44. PERMITS LICENSES AND CERTIFICATES

The awarded vendor is to procure all permits, licenses, and certificates, or any approvals of plans or specifications as may be required by Federal, State, Local Laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations, for the proper execution and completion of Work covered under the Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order.

#### 45. PREPARATION OF BID

All bids / proposals shall be typewritten or in ink on the form(s) prepared by the City of Fairhope. Bids / proposals prepared in pencil will not be accepted. All bids / proposals must be signed by officials of the corporation or company duly authorized to sign bids / proposals. Any bid / proposal submitted without being signed will automatically be rejected. All corrections or erasures shall be initialed and dated by the person authorized to sign quotations /bids / proposals. If there are discrepancies between unit prices quoted and extensions, the unit price will prevail.

# **46. QUESTIONS / CONTACT**

Commencing with the issuance of the RFQ / ITB / RFP, or other form of solicitation, no vendor or anyone acting on a vendor's behalf, shall make direct or indirect contact with City personnel or undertake any activities or take any action to otherwise promote its quotation / bid / proposal to the City or its personnel. All communications shall be made to the contact identified in the quotation / bid / proposal documents. Violation of this requirement may, at the City's sole and absolute discretion, be grounds for disqualifying a vendor from further consideration.

## **47. RECEIPT BY CITY OF FAIRHOPE**

If not otherwise stated in the order, the City of Fairhope will be said to have received goods when they have been delivered, unloaded and placed on the agency's dock or if there is no dock, inside an accessible building, and signed for by an authorized City employee. Shipments will be checked against the receiving copy of the Purchase Order. If the purchase order requires grading certificates, USDA Stamps, or any proof of quality, such proof must accompany the shipment.

#### 48. REJECTION OF BIDS

The City of Fairhope reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids in whole or in part for any reason, to waive technicalities or informalities, or to advertise for new proposals, if, in the judgment of the awarding authority, the best interest of the City of Fairhope will be promoted thereby. Bidders may be disqualified and rejection of proposals may be recommended for any of (but not limited to) the following causes: Failure to use the bid forms furnished by the City of Fairhope, Lack of signature by an authorized representative on the bid form, Failure to properly complete the bid form and vendor compliance, Evidence of collusion among bidders, unauthorized alteration of the bid form.

# **50. RIGHT TO AUDIT**

The awarded vendor shall maintain documentation of all work performed. The awarded vendor shall make any and all

documentation available to the City of Fairhope at all reasonable times, for inspections and audit by the City of Fairhope, during the entire term of the Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order and for a period of Three (3) years after expiration of the Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order.

#### 51. SAMPLES

Bidders will not be required to furnish samples at the time of bid opening, unless specifically called for. The City of Fairhope reserves the right to request samples after bid opening to assist in the evaluation of proposals submitted.

#### **52. SAFETY MEASURES**

The awarded vendor shall take all necessary precautions for the safety of the City of Fairhope's and awarded vendor's employees at the Work site, and shall erect and properly maintain at all times, all necessary safeguards for the protection of the workmen and the public. The awarded vendor shall post signs warning against hazards in and around the Work site.

# 53. SET-UP AND INSTALLATION

Unless otherwise specified, bid / quotation to include cost of all uncrating, disposal of shipping materials, set-up, testing and initial instruction to agency personnel.

#### **54. SPILL CLEAN UP**

The awarded vendor shall be responsible for spillage caused

by their negligence, which occurs during transit or unloading operations. The awarded vendor shall immediately report and clean up any spillage. Upon failure to do so, the awarded vendor shall remain responsible for all actual related costs

#### 55. SUBSTITUTIONS

Substitutions on a purchase order shall require the approval of

the Originating Buyer. The City of Fairhope reserves the right to reject at destination and hold at the vendor's risk and expense any goods supplied by the vendor which do not conform to the specification or description embodied in the order or are inferior in any respect to the good specified. Any good bought by sample which is inferior in quality to the sample submitted by vendor will be rejected. Any goods delivered that do not meet specifications may be returned to the vendor at its expense. When a good is returned, the vendor must make immediate replacement with acceptable merchandise or the City of Fairhope may seek remedies for default.

#### **56. TABULATION**

Bid results are posted on The City of Fairhope's web site: <a href="https://www.fairhopeal.gov">www.fairhopeal.gov</a>. The awarded vendor will be sent a written notification via mail.

#### 57. TAXES

Prices quoted shall be delivered prices, exclusive of all federal or state excise, sales, and manufacturer's taxes. The City will assume no transportation or handling charges other than specified in the RFQ, ITB, RFP or other form of solicitation. The City is tax exempt by law – Code of Alabama 1975.

#### 58. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

Any Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order may be terminated for convenience by the City of Fairhope, in whole or in part, by written notification to the awarded vendor.

### 59. TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT

Performance of Work under the Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order Agreement may be terminated by the City of Fairhope, in whole or in part, in writing, whenever the City of Fairhope determines that the awarded vendor has failed to meet the requirements of the Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order.

# **60. TERMINATION FOR NON-APPROPRIATION**

Termination for Non-appropriation – The continuation of any financial obligation beyond the current fiscal year is subject to and contingent upon sufficient funds being appropriated, budgeted, and otherwise made available by the local source, State Legislature and/or federal sources. The City of Fairhope may terminate any financial obligation,

and awarded vendor waives any and all claim(s) for damages, effective immediately upon receipt of written notice (or any date specified therein) if for any reason the City of Fairhope's funding from local, State and/or federal sources is not appropriated, withdrawn or limited.

#### **61. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE**

The City of Fairhope and awarded vendor agree that time is of the essence in the performance of work called for under this Contract / Agreement / Purchase Order. The awarded vendor agrees that all work will be accomplished regularly, diligently

and uninterrupted at such a rate of progress as will ensure full completion thereof within reasonable time periods.

# 62. TITLE

All titles, fees, as well as other charges, are to be paid by awarded vendor. Awarded vendor is to furnish prepaid certificate of title in the name of the City of Fairhope, Title shall change upon acceptance of delivery at the City of Fairhope approved delivery location.

#### **63. VENDOR LIST**

A vendor may be removed from the City of Fairhope's Bidders List if a vendor fails to respond to three (3) consecutive ITB's. A properly submitted "No Bid" is considered as a response and the vendor will receive credit for the response.

# 64. WARRANTY

The awarded vendor expressly warrants that all articles,

materials, and work offered shall conform to each and every specification, drawing, sample, or other description which is furnished to or adopted by the City of Fairhope, and that it will be fit and sufficient for the purpose intended, merchantable, of good material and workmanship, and free from defects. The awarded vendor further warrants all items for a period of one year, unless otherwise stated, from the date of acceptance of the items delivered and installed or work completed. All repairs, replacements, or adjustments during the warranty period will be at the awarded vendor's sole expense. Awarded vendor will provide written warranty for all parts and labor for a period of (1) one year commencing from date of written acceptance of delivery by City of Fairhope. Awarded vendor will provide written copies of all other applicable warranties, such as, Manufacturer's warranty. Those warranties, if any, will be in addition to the awarded vendor's warranty, and the terms of which will not be altered by the awarded vendor's warranty.

#### **65. IMMIGRATION LAW**

The CONTRACTOR agrees that it shall comply with all of the requirements of the Beason-Hammon Alabama Taxpayer and Citizen Protection Act, Act No 2011-535, Alabama Code (1975)

Section 31-13-1, et. Seq., (also known as the Alabama Immigration Act) see Section 31-13-9, and the provisions of said Act, including all penalties for violation thereof, are incorporated herein.

# ITEM VII ALABAMA IMMIGRATION ACT CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

# 1.0 Background

The Beason-Hammon Alabama Taxpayer and Citizen Protection Act, Act No 2011-535, as amended by Act No 2012-491, Code of Alabama (1975) Section 31-13-1 through Section 31-13-30 (also known as and hereinafter referred to as "the Alabama Immigration Act") is applicable to contracts with the City of Fairhope, Alabama. All business entities entering into contracts with the City of Fairhope, Alabama will comply with the Alabama Immigration Act.

#### 2.0 Definition

ALIEN. Any person who is not a citizen or national of the United States, as described in 8 U.S.C. § 1101, et seq., and any amendments thereto.

BUSINESS ENTITY. Any person or group of persons employing one or more persons performing or engaging in any activity, enterprise, profession, or occupation for gain, benefit, advantage, or livelihood, whether for profit or not for profit. Business entity shall include but not be limited to the following:

- a. Self-employed individuals, business entities filling articles of incorporation, partnerships, limited partnerships, limited liability companies, foreign corporations, foreign limited partnerships, foreign liability companies authorized to transact business in this state, business trusts, and any business entity that registers with the Secretary of State.
- b. Any business entity that possesses a business license, permit, certificate, approval, registration, charter, or similar form of authorization issued by the state, any business entity that is exempt by law from obtaining such a business license, an any business entity that is operating unlawfully without a business license.

CONTRACTOR. A person, employer, or business entity that enters into an agreement to perform any service or work or to provide a certain product in exchange for valuable consideration. This definition shall include, but not be limited to, a general CONTRACTOR, sub-contractor, independent CONTRACTOR, contract employee, project manager, or a recruiting or staffing entity.

EMPLOYEE. Any person directed, allowed, or permitted to perform labor or service of any kind by an employer. The employees of an independent CONTRACTOR working for a business entity shall not be regarded as the employees of the business entity, for the purposes of this chapter. This term does not include any inmate in the legal custody of the state, a county, or a municipality.

EMPLOYER. Any person, firm, corporation, partnership, joint stock association, agent, manager, representative, foreman, or other person having control or custody of any employment, place of employment, or of any employee, including any person or entity employing any person for hire within the State of Alabama, including a public employer. This term shall not include the occupant of a household contracting with another person to perform casual domestic labor within the household.

E-VERIFY. The electronic verification of federal employment authorization program of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, P.L. 104-208, Division c, Section 403 (a); 8 U.S.C. §1324(a), and operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security, or its successor program.

STATE-FUNDED ENTITY. Any governmental entity of the state or a political subdivision thereof or any other entity that receives any monies from the state or a political subdivision thereof; provided, however, an entity that merely provides a service or a product to any governmental entity of the state or a political subdivision thereof, and receives compensation for the same, shall not be considered a state-funded

entity.

SUBCONTRACTOR. A person, business entity, or employer who is awarded a portion of an existing contract by a CONTRACTOR, regardless of its tier.

UNAUTHORIZED ALIEN. An alien who is not authorized to work in the United States as defined in 8 U.S.C. § 1324a (h) (3).

#### 3.0 Mandatory Clause

All contracts or agreements to which the state, a political subdivision, or state-funded entity are a party shall include the following clause:

"By signing this contract, the contracting parties affirm, for the duration of the agreement, that they will not violate federal immigration law or knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien within the state of Alabama. Furthermore, a contracting party found to be in violation of this provision shall be deemed in breach of the agreement and shall be responsible for all damages resulting therefrom."

For purposes of this section, "contract" shall mean a contract awarded by the state, any political subdivision thereof, or any state-funded entity that was competitively bid or would, if entered into by the state or an agency thereof, be required to be submitted to the Contract Review Permanent Legislative Oversight Committee.

# 4.0 Contracts Involving Business Entity, or Employer

As a condition for the award of any contract, grant, or incentive by the state, any political subdivision thereof, or any state-funded entity to a business entity or employer that employs one or more employees, the business entity or employer shall not knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien within the State of Alabama.

As a condition for the award of any contract, grant, or incentive by the state, any political subdivision thereof, or any state-funded entity to a business entity or employer that employs one or more employees within the state of Alabama, the business entity or employer shall provide documentation establishing that the business entity or employer is enrolled in the E-Verify program. During the performance of the contract, the business entity or employer shall participate in the E-Verify program and shall verify every employee that is required to be verified according to the applicable federal rules and regulations.

# 5.0 Contracts Involving Subcontracting

Any SUB-CONTRACTOR on a project paid for by contract, grant, or incentive by the state, any political subdivision thereof, or any state-funded entity shall not knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien within the State of Alabama and shall also enroll in the E-Verify program prior to performing any work on the project. Furthermore, during the performance of the contract, the sub-contractor shall participate in the E-Verify program and shall verify every employee that is required to be verified according to the applicable federal rules and regulations. This subsection shall only apply to sub-contractors performing work on a project subject to the provisions of this section and not to collateral persons or business entities hired by the sub-contractor.

**Proof of E-Verify** documentation will be in the form of a copy of the signed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) generated upon completion of the E-Verify program.

# ITEM VIII SAMPLE CONTRACT

| This <b>CONTRACT</b> is made this  | day of                                 | , 2019, by and between th | e |
|------------------------------------|--|---------------------------|---|
| City of Fairhope (hereinafter refe | rred to as the " <b>OWNER</b> ") and _ | (hereinafter              |   |
| referred to as the "CONTRACTOR     | "), for                                |                           |   |

# Bid No.016-19 Wood Pole Inspections and Inventory Survey

The **OWNER** and the **CONTRACTOR** agree as set forth below:

- 1. The CONTRACT consists of all the items contained within this CONTRACT, The Proposal Package, Proposal, Scope of Work and Specifications, drawings (if applicable), Addenda, Amendments, and City of Fairhope Standard Terms and Conditions, which are attached hereto and made a part hereof, as if fully contained herein; for the performance of all work and the furnishing of all labor and materials required for completion of the WORK.
- 2. The CONTRACTOR shall perform all the WORK described herein.
- 3. The WORK to be performed under this CONTRACT shall be commenced upon execution of this CONTRACT within number TEN (10) days of the date specified in the Notice to Proceed (NIP) to be issued to the CONTRACTOR by the OWNER, or its authorized representative. The work shall be completed, subject to authorized adjustments, within SIXTY (60) consecutive calendar days from and after the commencement date stipulated in said Notice to Proceed. Liquidated damages for non-completion of the work within this time limit will be assessed at the rate of \$200 per working day.
- 4. The OWNER shall pay the CONTRACTOR in current funds for the performance of the WORK, the CONTRACT SUM of \_\_\_\_\_\_DOLLARS (\$ ). This represents a LUMP SUM payment for performance of the WORK, which payment shall be issued after the Contract is fully performed and the OWNER has inspected the WORK.

## 5. General Conditions

- a. Indemnity: The CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to indemnify and save harmless the OWNER, its officers, agent, and employees, from and against any and all liabilities, claims, demands, damages, fines, fees, expenses, penalties, suits, proceedings, actions and cost of actions, including reasonable attorneys' fees for trial and on appeal, of any kind and nature, arising or growing out of, or in any way connected with the performance of this CONTRACT, to the extent caused by a negligent act or omission of the CONTRACTOR, their agents, servants, employees, SUB-CONTRATORS, or others associated with the CONTRACTOR. The CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for damage to any elevator equipment excluded from this agreement, or damage or injury caused by any equipment excluded from this agreement, to the extent that the damage or injury is caused by a negligent act or omission of the CONTRACTOR.
- b. Notification and Accident Reports: In the event of accidents of any kind, the CONTRACTOR shall notify the OWNER immediately and furnish, without delay, copies of all such accident reports to the OWNER. If in the performance of their Work, the CONTRACTOR fails to immediately report an accident to the OWNER, of which the CONTRACTOR has knowledge of and which results in a fine levied against the OWNER then the CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for all fines levied against the OWNER.

# 6. Termination of Agreement

- a. Termination for Default: Performance of Work under this Agreement may be terminated by the OWNER, in whole or in part, in writing, whenever the OWNER determines that the CONTRACTOR has failed to meet the requirements of this Agreement.
  - i. The Owner has a right to terminate for default if the contractor fails to make delivery of material or does not perform the work, or if the Contractor fails to perform the Work within the time specified in the Agreement, or if the Contractor fails to perform any other provision of the Agreement.
  - ii. Failure on the part of the Contractor to deliver or perform the Work within the time specified, or within a reasonable time as determined by the Owner, or failure on the part of the Contractor to make replacements of rejected articles, or Work when so requested, immediately or as directed by the Owner, shall constitute authority for the Owner to purchase in the open market, articles or Work of comparable grade to replace the articles or Work rejected, not delivered or completed. On all such purchases, the Contractor shall reimburse the Owner within a reasonable time specified by the Owner for any expense incurred in excess of Agreement prices.
  - iii. Such purchases shall be deducted from the Agreement sum. If public necessity demands it, the Owner reserves the right to utilize services or use and/or consume articles delivered, which are standard in quality, subject to an adjustment of price to be determined by the Owner.
- b. Termination for Convenience: The OWNER has the absolute right to terminate the Agreement upon "Award of Contract" another CONTRATOR, to perform work referenced herein. In such event, payment of the monthly contract fee shall cease on the date of cancellation of the CONTRACT by the OWNER.

## 7. Warranty

a. The CONTRACTOR warrants that the Work including equipment and materials provided shall conform to the professional standards of care and practice in effect at the time the Work is performed, be of the highest quality, and be free from all faults, defects, or errors. If the CONTRACTOR is notified in writing of a fault, deficiency or error in the Work, the CONTRACTOR shall at the OWNER's option, either re-perform such portions of the Work to correct such fault, defect, or error, at no additional cost to the OWNER, or refund to the OWNER the charge paid by the OWNER, which is attributable to such portions of the faulty, defective or erroneous Work, including costs for re-performance or Work provided by other CONTRACTORS. All equipment and materials provided by the CONTRACTOR shall be merchantable and for the purpose intended and meet all industry quality standards.

# 8. Time of Completion

The OWNER and CONTRACTOR understand and agree that time is of the essence in the performance of this Agreement. The CONTRACTOR or OWNER, respectively, shall not be liable for any loss or damage, resulting from any delay or failure to perform its contractual obligations within the time specified, due to acts of God, actions or regulations by any governmental entity or representative, strikes, fire, water damage, loss of power, loss of funding or any other causes, contingencies, or circumstances not subject to the OWNER or CONTRACTOR'S control, respectively, whether of a similar or dissimilar nature, which prevent or hinder the performance of the OWNER'S or CONTRACTOR'S contractual obligations, respectively. Any such causes of delay, even though existing on the date of the CONTRACT, or on the day of the start of Work, shall extend the time of the OWNER'S or CONTRACTOR'S performance respectively, by the length of the delays occasioned thereby, including delays reasonably incident to the resumption of normal Work schedules.

However, under such circumstances as described herein, the OWNER may, at their discretion, cancel this CONTRACT for their own convenience.

# 9. Insurance Requirements

See ITEM III

## 10. Acceptance of Work

The OWNER will be deemed to have accepted the Work after the OWNER agrees the Work is completed. In the event Work furnished under the CONTRACT is found to be defective or does not conform to the intent of the CONTRACT, the CONTRACTOR shall, within ten (10) days from receipt of notice from the OWNER, correct the deficiencies. Failure on the part of the CONTRACTOR to properly correct the deficiencies within the time period allowed will constitute the OWNER'S right to cancel the CONTRACT immediately, upon written notice to the CONTRACTOR.

# 11. Correction of Work

The CONTRACTOR shall promptly correct all Work rejected by the OWNER as faulty, defective or failing to conform to the CONTRACT, whether observed before or after completion of the Work. The CONTRACTOR shall bear all costs of correcting such rejected Work.

## 12. Right to Audit

The CONTRACTOR shall maintain documentation of all work performed. The CONTRACTOR shall make any and all documentation available to the OWNER at all reasonable times, for inspections and audit by the OWNER, during the entire term of the CONTRACT, and for a period of three (3) years after the expiration of this CONTRACT.

# 13. CONTRACT Rights and Remedies

The CONTRACTOR shall maintain documentation of all work performed. The CONTRACTOR shall make any and all documentation available to the OWNER at all reasonable times, for inspections and audit by the OWNER, during the entire term of the CONTRACT, and for a period of three (3) years after the expiration of this CONTRACT.

# 14. Time is of the Essence

The Owner and CONTRACTOR agree that time is of the essence in the performance of Work called for under this CONTRACT. The CONTRACTOR agrees that all work will be accomplished regularly, diligently and uninterrupted at such a rate of progress as will ensure full completion thereof within reasonable time periods.

# 15. Safety Measures

The CONTRACTOR shall take all necessary precautions for the safety of the OWNER'S and CONTRACTOR'S employees at the Work site, and shall erect and properly maintain at all times, all necessary safeguards for the protection of the workmen and the public. The CONTRACTOR shall post signs warning against hazards in and around the Work site.

# 16. Extra Work and Associated Costs

- a. Changes in the Work: The OWNER, without invalidating the CONTRACT, may order changes in the Work within the general scope of this CONTRACT, consisting of additions, deletions, or other revision, the CONTRACT price and time for execution of the Work being adjusted accordingly.
- b. All such changes in the Work shall be authorized by a written Amendment to the CONTRACT or a separate Change Order and shall be executed under the applicable conditions of the CONTRACT.

# 17. Familiarity with the Work

The CONTRACTOR, by executing this CONTRACT, acknowledges full understanding of the extent and character of the Work required and the conditions surrounding the performance thereof. The OWNER will not be responsible for any alleged misunderstanding of conditions surrounding the performance thereof. It is understood that execution of the CONTRACT by the CONTRACTOR serves as his stated commitment to fulfill all requirements and conditions referred to in this CONTRACT.

# 18. Scope of Work

See ITEM IV

# 19. Contractor Liability

Nothing in this CONTRACT shall be construed to mean that the CONTRACTOR assumes any liability for damages or otherwise, on account of accidents to persons or property, except those resulting from negligence on the part of the CONTRACTOR or its agents, servants, employees, and subcontractors.

# 20. Miscellaneous Provisions

- a. The CONTRACTOR shall not employ SUB-CONTRACTORS without the express written permission of the OWNER.
- b. The CONTRACTOR shall not assign the CONTRACT or sublet it as a whole without the express written permission of the OWNER. The OWNER may assign the CONTRACT, or sublet it as a whole, without the consent of the CONTRACTOR.
- c. No waiver, alteration, consent, or modification of any of the provisions of the CONTRACT shall be binding unless in writing and singed by the OWNER and CONTRACTOR.
- d. The CONTRACTOR is to procure all permits, licenses, and certificates, or any approvals of plans or specifications as may be required by Federal, State, Local Laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations, for the proper execution and completion of Work covered under this CONTRACT.
- e. The CONTRACTOR shall at all times keep the Work area free from accumulation of waste materials or rubbish caus
- f. ed by his operations, and promptly remove any such materials to an area designated by the OWNER or remove to a waste site as directed by the OWNER. If the CONTRACTOR fails to clean up the Work site, the OWNER will complete the task and charge the CONTRACTOR for such services.
- g. This CONTRACT is considered a non-exclusive Agreement between the parties.
- h. This CONTRACT is deemed to be under and shall be governed by and construed according to the laws of the State of Alabama.
- i. Any litigation arising out of the CONTRACT shall be heard in the Courts of Baldwin County, Alabama.
- j. This CONTRACT contains all terms and conditions agreed upon by the OWNER and CONTRACTOR. No other agreement, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this CONTRACT shall be deemed to exist or to bind either party hereto.

k. This CONTRACT shall not be construed against the party or parties preparing it. It shall be construed as if all the parties and each of them jointly prepared this CONTRACT, and any uncertainty or ambiguity shall not be interpreted against one or more parties.

| Section 41-16-5, Code of Alabama 1975, requires t<br>language:  | nat public contract      | ts over \$15,000 include the following    |
|---|--------------------------|---|
| By signing this Contract,COMPAN   |                          | represents and agrees                     |
| COMPAN that it is not currently engaged in, nor will it engaged business with a jurisdiction with which the State of  | ge in, any boycott       | of a person or entity based in or doing   |
| IN WITNESS WHEREFORE, the parties hereto have ewritten.   | xecuted this <b>CONT</b> | FRACT as of the day and year first above  |
| THE CITY OF FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA   |                          |   |
| Karin Wilson, Mayor   | ATTEST:                  | Lisa A. Hanks, MMC, City Clerk            |
| NOTARY FOR OWNER (CITY OF FAIRHOPE)   |                          |   |
| STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF BALDWIN  | }<br>_}                  |   |
| I, the undersigned authority in and for said State are City of Fairhope whose name is signed to the foregome on this day, that, being informed of the content date the same bears date. | oing document and        | I who is known to me, acknowledged before |
| Given under my hand and Notary Seal on this _   | day of                   | , 2019                                    |
| NO  | TARY PUBLIC              |   |
| M   | COMMISSION EXE           | PIRFS                                     |

# IF INDIVIDUAL OR PARTNERSHIP

| Individual or Partnership   | Print Name of Partner  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| Print Name of Representative Authorized to Sign<br>Contracts for the firm | Print Name of Partner  |  |  |  |
| Signature of Representative Authorized to Sign<br>Contracts for the firm  | Print Name of Partner  |  |  |  |
| Address   |  |  |  |  |
| Address   |  |  |  |  |
| City, State, Zip Code   |  |  |  |  |
| Phone Number  | Fax Number   |  |  |  |
| Primary E-mail Address  |  |  |  |  |
| AL General Contractor License No. (Attach Copy)                           |  |  |  |  |
| AL General Contractor License Major Categories                            |  |  |  |  |
| AL General Contractor Specialties   |  |  |  |  |
| AL Foreign Corporation Entity ID (Required of Out of State Vendo          | ors)   |  |  |  |
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| IF CORPORATION OR LLC   |  |  |  |  |
| Company   | State of Incorporation   |  |  |  |
| Company Representative  |  |  |  |  |
| Print Name of Representative Authorized to Sign<br>Contracts for the firm | Signature of Representative Authorized to Sign<br>Contracts for the firm |  |  |  |
| Address   |  |  |  |  |
| Address   |  |  |  |  |
| City, State, Zip Code   |  |  |  |  |
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# NOTARY FOR INDIVIDUAL, PARTNERSHIP, CORPORATION, OR LLC

| STATE OF                       | }                               |                    |                            |              |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| COUNTY OF                      | }}                              |                    |                            |              |
| I, the undersigned author      | ity in and for said State and ( | County, hereby cer | tify that                  | As           |
|                                |                                 |                    | Name                       |              |
|                                | respectively of _               |                    |                            |              |
| Title                          | Co                              | ompany Name        |                            |              |
| being informed of the cordate. | ntents of the document they     | executed the same  | voluntarily on the day the | e same bears |
| Given under my hand            | and Notary Seal on this         | day of             | , 2019                     |              |
|                                |                                 | NOTARY PUBLIC      |                            |              |
|                                |                                 | MY COMMISSIO       | N FXPIRFS                  |              |