



COUNTY OF GEORGETOWN

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Request for Proposals (RFP)

BID NUMBER: 16-033

ISSUE DATE: Friday, March 25, 2016

OPENING DATE: Wed., April 27, 2016

OPENING TIME: 3:00 PM (Eastern NIST)

Bid Opening Location: Georgetown County Courthouse, Suite #239, (Purchasing Conference Room)

Pre-Bid Site Inspection: **MANDATORY Tuesday, April 12, 2016 at 2:00PM EST (Pg 7)**

PROCUREMENT FOR: Underground Steel Belted Conveyor System with Pit at MRF

Commodity Code(s): 57864, 56015,91082

Subject to the conditions, provisions and the enclosed specifications, sealed bids will be received at the location and time stated herein and will be publicly opened and read.

MAILING ADDRESS:

County of Georgetown
Post Office Drawer 421270
Georgetown SC 29442-1270
Attn: Purchasing

STREET ADDRESS:

Georgetown County Courthouse
129 Screven Street, Suite 239
Georgetown SC 29440-3641
Attn: Purchasing

IMPORTANT OFFEROR NOTES:

- 1) Bid Number & Title must be shown on the **OUTSIDE** of the delivery package.
- 2) Federal Express does **not** guarantee delivery to Georgetown, SC before 4:30 PM Eastern Time on **Primary Overnight Service**.
- 3) **United Parcel Service (UPS)** **does** guarantee delivery to Georgetown, SC before 10:30 AM Eastern Time on Next Day "Early AM" Service.
- 4) You must register a contact name, company name, fax and/or e-mail with the Purchasing Office as below to ensure your name will be added to the contact list for future amendments and addenda.

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This solicitation does not commit Georgetown County to award a contract, to pay any cost incurred in the preparation of the bid, or to procure or contract for goods or services. It is the responsibility of each bidder to see that the Georgetown County Purchasing Office receives bids on, or before, the date and time specified for the bid opening. No bid will be accepted thereafter. The County assumes no responsibility for delivery of bids that are mailed. Georgetown County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities and technicalities in the bid process.



Intent to Respond

REF: RFP #16-033, Underground Steel Belted Conveyor System with Pit at MRF

If your company intends to respond to this solicitation, please complete and promptly return this form to assure that you can be included on the mailing list to receive all addenda regarding this project.

It is not necessary to return any other portion of the bid documents if you are not bidding.

Failure to return the Intent to Respond shall not be sufficient cause to rule a submittal as non-responsive; nor does the return of the form obligate an interested party to submit a response. Georgetown County's efforts to directly provide interested parties with addenda or additional information are provided as a courtesy only, and do not alleviate the respondent from their obligation to verify they have received and considered all addenda. All addenda are published and available on the county website at www.georgetowncountysc.org select "purchasing" and "current bids".

Our firm **does** intend on responding to this solicitation.

Our firm **does not** intend on responding to this solicitation.

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person: _____

Telephone: _____

FAX: _____

E-Mail: _____

Please return this completed form to Nancy Silver, Senior Buyer

- by e-mail to purch@gtounty.org
- or by FAX to (843)545-3500.

[End of Intent to Respond]

Time Line: Request for Proposal #16-033

Item	Date	Time	Location*
Advertised Date of Issue:	Friday, March 25, 2016	n/a	n/a
MANDATORY Pre-Bid Site Inspection:	Tuesday, April 12, 2016	2:00PM ET	On Site†
Deadline for Questions:	Wednesday, April 20, 2016	3:00PM ET	Suite 239
Bids Must be Received on/or Before:	Wednesday, April 27, 2016	3:00PM ET	Suite 239
Public Bid Opening & Tabulation:	Wednesday, April 27, 2016	3:00PM ET	Suite 239

*All locations in the Old County Courthouse, 129 Screven Street, Georgetown, SC unless otherwise stated.

†Georgetown County Landfill MRF, 201 Landfill Rd (Off Browns Ferry Rd/SC-51) Georgetown, SC.

RFP #16-033

Underground Steel Belted Conveyor System with Pit at MRF

The Georgetown County, SC Public Services Department is soliciting sealed public bid responses for the procurement and installation of an **Underground Steel Belted Conveyor System with Pit at MRF**. The County Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) is located on the Solid Waste Landfill, at 201 Landfill Road (off Browns Ferry Rd a/k/a SC-51) in Georgetown, SC 29440. This conveyor is intended to be used for the purpose of paper fibers products, plastics, ferrous, and non-ferrous metal. The proposer shall include in their response the construction of an underground pit to meet the new conveyor requirements. The proposer should also include in their response costs for the mechanical installation of the new conveyor to include any electrical connections and any necessary programming.

In addition, the County will consider three (3) alternate bid items. Alternate Bid Item 1 shall be for the decommissioning of the existing conveyor to include the removal of all structural/electrical components. Alternate Bid Item 2 shall be for the decommissioning of the existing pit to include the backfilling and installation of a new concrete pad to match the existing grade. Alternate Bid Item 3 shall be for the relocation of the existing baler and hydraulic assemblies.

The lead time on this project will be eight (8) weeks from the bid acceptance date. The budget for this project is \$190,000.00.

SECTION I – SCOPE OF WORK-BASE BID ITEMS

Scope of work:

- Procurement of a custom underground steel belted conveyor to meet minimum specifications as listed in this document.
- Construction of underground pit to meet new conveyor requirements.
- Mechanical installation of the new conveyor to include electrical connections and any necessary programming.

Owner Provided Items:

- Georgetown County will provide power onsite.
- Georgetown County will off-load conveyor upon delivery.
- Georgetown County will provide sample for painting.

SECTION II – SPECIFICATIONS - BASE BID ITEMS

DIMENSIONS:

Belt Width: 72”

Belt Length: 54’ measured along belt path

Belt Path Style: “S” shaped with a lower horizontal loading area of 25’ (effective length), an incline section of 26’ at 35° and a 3’ upper horizontal

BELTING: 1/4” plate 9” pitch Piano Hinge Steel Belt constructed as follows:

Belt Pans: 1/4” thick, 72” wide precision die formed pans with fully closed loops

Reinforcements: Channel reinforcements shall be welded to the underside across the width of every other hinge link to increase the strength of belt pan as well as limit deflection of belt under severe impact.

Side Wings: 4” high precision die formed interlocking off-set wings, 1/4” thick, wings plug welded to pans

Chain: 2” wide x 1/4” thick (2) strands

Side Bars: Precision die punched HR1044 high carbon steel

Bushings: Solid, 3/4” I.D. x 1-1/8” O.D. x 2-1/16” hardened RC50-60 press fit into inner side bars

Hinge Sleeve: Steel tubing liner over pin through belt hinge joint to enhance strength and extend life.

Pins: CR1045 steel, 3/4” diameter, pin ends are milled flat to lock into outer side bars

Rollers: Single Flange: 3” diameter x 1-1/2” face Sintered Steel Wheels

Tracks: 25# ASCE rail designed to prevent material buildup and provide a smooth surface for belt and rollers to travel

Cleats: Angle type, 4” high x 3/8” thick welded to belt pans on 18” centers

Belt Sprockets: 6 tooth, 9” pitch, 18” pitch diameter, flame cut with hardened teeth at tail and head ends of conveyor

SHAFTING: Both head and tail shafts shall be fabricated out of C1045 steel. Shafts shall be mounted in heavy duty ball bearing pillow blocks with cast iron housings.

DRIVE: Min. 15 HP 1800 RPM electric motor 230/460 volts, 3 phase, 60 Hertz, TEFC continuous duty motor with a 1.15 s.f. and roller chain from reducer to

sprocket of head shaft. and adjustable steel base for drive assembly. Vendor responsible for motor and gear sizing to meet or exceed performance specification.

SPEED: Variable 30- FPM (+/-) 10 FPM

SPECIAL FEATURES: The conveyor is to be furnished with back stop to prevent conveyor belt from roll back under full load. Other special features should include the following:

- Electric oiler(s) gravity fed, 1-gallon capacity
- Two (2) push button “E” stops buttons
- Disconnect switch
- Safety Ladder to access service openings and motors greater 6”.
- Flashing Strobe Operational Light
- Audible Start-Up Alarm

FRAME: Heavy duty open frame construction from structural shapes and formed plate. Frame shall be braced and reinforced for rigidity in all planes and should be completely shop fitted and welded.

Side & Belly Guards: Should be provided in areas of personal access up to 8’ above grade.

Side Skirts: Should be 12” high on lower horizontal (below grade) and 36” high on incline and upper horizontal.

Load Bars: Will be needed to limit deflection of belt under impact.

PAINT: Blue Industrial enamel. (Georgetown County will provide sample color for painting.)

PITT: New pit shall be constructed in accordance with conveyor manufacturer requirements.
The conveyor flat section shall be considered underground/below-ground grade.
The pit and conveyor will both be under currently existing shelter, inside existing building.

SECTION III – SCOPE OF WORK-ALTERNATE BID ITEMS

Alternate Bid Item 1:

- The proposer shall include the decommissioning of the existing conveyor and the removal of all structural/electrical components.

Alternate Bid Item 2:

- The proposer should include the decommissioning of the existing underground pit to include backfilling and the installation of a new concrete pad to match the existing grade.

Alternate Bid Item 3:

- The proposer should include the relocation of the existing baler and the hydraulic assemblies.

SECTION IV – SPECIFICATIONS - ALTERNATE BID ITEMS

- ALT BID ITEM #1:** The currently existing conveyor dimensions are approximately 57' x 9'.
Make and model of conveyor is unknown.
Vendor is responsible for confirming all dimensions.
- ALT BID ITEM #2:** The currently existing pit dimensions are approximately 35' x 10' x 3'.
The pit shall be backfilled and a concrete floor installed to meet or exceed current flooring.
Vendor is responsible for confirming all dimensions.
- ALT BID ITEM #3:** The currently existing baler shall be relocated to a new location within the same building.
The existing baler is a Max Pak 2-Ram Baler.
Baler has irregular dimensions but occupies an area of approximately 135 sq. ft., excluding hydraulic and wire tire system.
The proposer shall **not** include in his proposal any consideration or costs for a new baler.

SECTION V – WARRANTY

Minimum warranty requirements shall be as follows:

- a) Labor – 1 year
- b) Parts – 2 years
- c) Belt/Structure – 5 years

Factory warranty terms should be verified by all proposers in their response. Each proposal shall include descriptive literature and specifications on the product(s). However, the providing of this material shall not be considered a substitute for listing deviations.

SECTION VI – BID SECURITY

- 1) Each bid must be accompanied by a Bid Bond, or by a certified check payable to Georgetown County, SC, for an amount equal to five per-cent (5%) of the total base bid as a guarantee that if the bid is accepted, the required Contract will be executed within fifteen (15) days after receipt of written notice of formal award of Contract. Bids not including such a bid bond will not be considered. Bid Bonds will be returned to unsuccessful vendors after award of Bid.
- 2) The successful offeror must provide a Performance Bond from a surety company qualified to do business under the laws of the State of South Carolina in the amount of 100 percent (100%) of the contract amount, within fifteen (15) days after the receipt of written notice of formal award of the Contract. Pricing for such Performance Bond should be indicated separately on the Vendor Bid Submission Form.
- 3) The successful offeror must provide a Payment and Material Bond from a surety company qualified to do business under the laws of the State of South Carolina in the amount of 100

percent (100%) of the contract amount, within fifteen (15) days after receipt of written notice of formal award of Contract.

SECTION VII – MANDATORY PRE-BID SITE INSPECTION:

- a) There will be a mandatory pre-bid site inspection beginning promptly at 2:00 PM EST on Tuesday, April 12, 2016 located at the Georgetown County Landfill MRF, 201 Landfill Rd (Off Browns Ferry Rd/SC-51) Georgetown, SC. Only those offerors present and registered in attendance will be qualified to submit a proposal to the County. The meeting will begin promptly and there will be no late attendees permitted entrance. All vendors are required to check-in at the administrative building. Safety glasses and traffic vest are required while on-site and will be provided by the County.
- b) The bidder is expected to have become familiar with and take into consideration, site conditions which may affect the work and to check all dimensions at the site.
- c) Each bidder shall acquaint themselves thoroughly as to the character and nature of the work to be done. Each bidder furthermore shall make a careful examination of the site of the work and inform themselves fully as to the difficulties to be encountered in performance of the work, the facilities for delivering, storing and placing materials and equipment and other conditions relating to construction and labor.
- d) The bidder shall examine the premises and the site and compare them with any applicable drawings and specifications. He/she shall familiarize themselves with the existing conditions such as obstructive area levels and any problems related to erecting the required systems.
- e) No plea of ignorance of conditions that exist or may hereafter exist on the site of the work, or difficulties that may be encountered in the execution of the work, as a result of failure to make necessary investigations and examinations, will be accepted as an excuse for any failure or omission on the part of the Contractor to fulfill in every detail all the requirements of the contract documents and to complete the work for the consideration set forth therein, or as a basis for any claim whatsoever.
- f) Insofar as possible, the Contractor, in carrying out his/her work, must employ such methods or means as will not cause interruption of or interference with the work of any other Contractor, or County personnel at the site.

SECTION VIII – EVALUATION OF PROPOSAL

The evaluation of the proposal will be based on the following:

- a) Price @ 50%
- b) Delivery & Installation schedule from notice of award @ 25%
- c) Compliance with Specifications and Requirements @ 25%

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Instructions for Providers
16-033
Underground Steel Belted Conveyor System with Pit at MRF

1. Submission of Questions

Questions must be submitted in writing via electronic mail, facsimile or postal mail to the Issuing Officer no later than the “Deadline for Questions” cutoff identified in the Bid Timeline on page two (2) in order to generate an official answer. All written questions will receive an official written response from the Georgetown County Purchasing Office (GCPO) and will become addenda to the solicitation.

GCPO reserves the right to reject or deny any requests made by the provider.

Impromptu, unwritten questions are permitted and verbal answers may be provided, but are only intended as general direction and will not represent the official GCPO position. The only official position of GCPO is that which is stated in writing and issued in the solicitation as addenda thereto.

No other means of communication, whether oral or written, shall be construed as a formal or official response/statement and may not be relied upon. **SEND QUESTIONS TO:**

Nancy Silver, Senior Buyer
Post Office Box 421270, Georgetown, SC 29442-1270
Fax: (843) 545-3500
Email: nsilver@gtcounty.org

2. Written sealed public bids for a Term Contract to provide **Underground Steel Belted Conveyor System with Pit at MRF** shall be received in the Purchasing Office, Second Floor, Suite 239, 129 Screven Street, Georgetown, SC until the cut-off time shown in the bid timeline on page (2) of this document. Bids will then be publicly and promptly opened at the designated time by the Purchasing Officer. Bids that are not in the Purchasing Officer’s possession prior to the stated opening date and time will be considered **NON RESPONSIVE** and returned unopened. An official authorized to bind the offer must sign all proposals submitted.
3. **IMPORTANT OFFEROR NOTES:**
- a) Bid Number & Title must be shown on the **OUTSIDE** of the delivery package.
 - b) Federal Express does **NOT** guarantee delivery to Georgetown, SC before 4:30 PM Eastern Time on Next Day Service.
 - c) UPS **WILL** guarantee delivery to Georgetown, SC before 10:30 AM Eastern Time on Next Day “Early AM” Service.
4. **Inclement Weather/Closure of County Courthouse**
If the County Courthouse is closed for business at the time scheduled for bid opening, for whatever reason, sealed bids will be accepted and opened on the next scheduled business day, at the originally scheduled time.
5. This solicitation does not commit Georgetown County to award a contract, to pay any cost incurred in the preparation of the bid, or to procure or contract for goods or services. It is the responsibility of each bidder to see that the Georgetown County Purchasing Office receives bids on, or before, the date and time specified for the bid opening. No bid will be accepted thereafter. The County

assumes no responsibility for delivery of bids that are mailed. Georgetown County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities and technicalities in the bid process.

6. One (1) unbound, reproducible ORIGINAL of your proposal must be submitted in a sealed envelope and clearly marked on the outermost container as follows:

OFFEROR'S NAME
BID ITEM NAME
BID NUMBER

7. No Bidder may submit more than one bid. Multiple bids for different manufacturers but represented by the same firm will not be accepted. Bids offered directly from manufacturers shall indicate if a local dealer/representative will be involved.

8. Definitions:

- a) The terms "Proposer", "Offeror", or "Bidder" refer to those parties who are submitting sealed responses for the work set forth in this document to the OWNER, as distinct from a sub-bidder who provides a bid to the Bidder. The term "Contractor" refers to the successful Bidder.
- b) The term "Underground Steel Belted Conveyor System with Pit at MRF" or "Conveyor" refers to the complete set of requirements as specified in this document, in every aspect.
- c) The terms "Owner" and "County" refer to the County of Georgetown, South Carolina.
- d) Where the words "shall" or "must" are used, it signifies an absolute minimum function or capacity that, if not satisfied, may result in disqualification.
- e) Where the words "should", "may", or "is desirable" are used, it signifies desirable, but not mandatory functions or capacities. Bidders who are able to provide these functions or capacities may be evaluated more favorably than those who cannot.

9. Correction or Withdrawal of Bids; Cancellation of Awards

An offeror must submit in writing a request to either correct or withdraw a bid to the Procurement Officer. Each written request must document the fact that the offeror's mistake is clearly an error that will cause him substantial loss.

- a) Correction of awards : An offeror shall not be permitted to correct a bid mistake after bid opening that would cause such offeror to have the low bid unless the mistake in the judgment of the Procurement Officer is clearly evident from examining the bid document; for example, extension of unit prices or errors in addition.
- b) Cancellation of awards prior to performance: When it is determined after an award has been issued but before performance has begun that Georgetown County's requirements for the goods or services have changed or have not been met, the award or contract may be canceled and either reawarded or a new solicitation issued.

10. Faxed or E-mailed bids will not be accepted by Georgetown County.

11. If you need any reasonable accommodation for any type of disability in order to participate in this procurement, please contact the purchasing office as soon as possible.
12. Any deviations from the specifications or modification of this bid and any extra or incidental work or reductions in work shall be set forth in writing and signed by both parties prior to making such change. Any increase or decrease in the bid price resulting from such change shall be included in writing.
13. Exceptions: The bidder shall list on a separate sheet of paper any variations from, or exceptions to, the conditions and specifications of this bid. This sheet shall be labeled "Exception(s) to Bid Conditions and Specifications," and shall be attached to the bid. When Proposers find instances where they must take exception with certain requirements or specifications of the bid, all exceptions shall be clearly identified. Written explanations shall include the scope of the exceptions, the ramifications of the exceptions for the County of Georgetown, and a description of the advantage to be gained or disadvantages to be incurred by the County as a result of these exceptions. If none, write "NONE".
14. Georgetown County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to waive as an informality any irregularities contained in any bid as may be deemed in the best interest of the County. Georgetown County further reserves the right to reject any bid submitted, at its sole option, that the vendor may not be able to meet the service requirements of the bid.
15. Publicity releases: contractor agrees not to refer to award of any resulting contract in commercial advertising in such a manner as to state or imply that the products or services provided are endorsed or preferred by the user.
16. Material Safety Data Sheets: The County of Georgetown will not receive any materials, products, or chemicals which may be hazardous to an employee's health unless accompanied by a Material Data Sheet when received.
17. Ownership of Copyright: All right, title and interest in all copyrightable materials which vendor shall create in the performance of its obligations hereunder shall be the property of the procurer. Vendor agrees to assign and hereby does assign any and all interest it has in and to such material to procurer. Vendor agrees, upon the request of procurer to execute all papers and perform all other such acts necessary to assist procurer to obtain and register copyrights on such materials. Where applicable, works of authorship created by the vendor in the performance of its obligations hereunder, shall be considered "works for hire" as defined in the U.S. Copyright Act.
18. Ownership of Documents: Any reports, studies, photographs, negatives or other documents prepared by vendor in the performance of its obligations shall be the exclusive property of the procurer and all such material shall be remitted to the procurer by the vendor upon completion, termination or cancellation of this order. Vendor shall not use, willingly allow or cause to have such material used for any purpose other than performance of its obligations under this order without the prior written consent of the procurer.
19. Affirmative Action: The contractor will take affirmative action in complying with all Federal and State requirements concerning fair employment and employment of the handicapped, and concerning the treatment of all employees, without regard or discrimination by reason of age, race, color,

religion, sex, national origin or physical handicap. The following are incorporated herein by reference: 41 C.F.R. 60-1.4, 60-250.4 and 60-741.4.

20. Inclusion and participation of disadvantaged, small, and local business entities is strongly encouraged, but minimum participation standards are not in effect for this project.
21. All Construction Contracts Over \$2,000:
- a) Davis-Bacon Requirements. These contracts need to include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 USC 276a to a—7) and the Department of Labor implementing regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under this Act, Contractors are required to include the contract provisions in Section 5.5 (a) of 29 CFR Part 5, and to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the minimum wages specified in the wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, Contractors shall be required to pay wages not less than the minimum wages specified in the wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, Contractors shall be required to pay wages not less often than once a week. Current Wage Determination for Georgetown County in South Carolina is available on-line at: <http://www.wdol.gov/dba.aspx#14>
 - b) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standard Act Requirements. The contracts must include a provision for compliance with Sections 103 and 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 USC 327-330) as supplemented by the Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under Section 103 of the Act, each Contractor shall be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard workweek of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard workweek is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate not less than one times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the workweek. Section 107 of the Act is applicable to construction work and provides that no laborer of mechanic shall be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to health and safety as determined under construction, safety and health standards promulgated by the Secretary of Labor. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies, materials, or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.
 - c) Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act Requirements. All construction contracts over \$2,000.00 must include a provision for compliance with the Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act (18 U.S.C. 874) as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3). This act provides that each Contractor shall be prohibited from inducing, by any means, persons employed in the construction, completion, or repaid of public work to give up any part of their compensation.
22. Bidders must clearly mark as "confidential" each part of their bid which they consider to be proprietary information that could be exempt from disclosure under section 30-4-40, Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (Freedom of Information Act). If any part is designated as confidential, there must be attached to that part an explanation of how this information fits within one or more categories listed in section 30-4-40. The County reserves the right to determine whether this information should be exempt from disclosure and no legal action may be brought against the County or its agents for its determination in this regard.

23. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE:

The contractor certifies that the vendor(s) will provide a “drug-free workplace” as that term is defined in Section 44-107-30 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, by the complying with the requirements set forth in title 44, Chapter 107.

24. Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities

The federally-assisted construction contractor certifies that he does not maintain or provide, for his employees, any segregated facilities at any of his establishments and that he does not permit his employees to perform their services at any location, under his control, where segregated facilities are maintained. The federally-assisted construction contractor certifies that he will not maintain or provide, for his employees, segregated facilities at any of his establishments and that he will not permit his employees to perform their services at any location under his control where segregated facilities are maintained. The federally-assisted construction contractor agrees that a breach of this certification is a violation of the Equal Opportunity Clause in this Contract.

As used in this certification, the term "segregated facilities" means any waiting rooms, work areas, restrooms, and washrooms, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing facilities provided for employees which are segregated on the basis of race, color, religion, or national origin because of habit, local custom, or any other reason. The federally assisted construction contractor agrees that (except where he has obtained identical certifications from proposed subcontractors for specific time periods) he will obtain identical certifications from proposed subcontractors prior to the award of subcontracts exceeding \$10,000 which are not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Opportunity Clause and that he will retain such certifications in his files.

25. Nothing herein is intended to exclude any responsible vendor, his product or service or in any way restrain or restrict competition. On the contrary, all responsible vendors are encouraged to bid and their bids are solicited.

26. Acknowledgement of Addenda

Each contractor is responsible to verify the number of total addenda issued prior to bid. **Failure to acknowledge all addenda shall disqualify the bidder.** All addenda are posted by the County at the website located at www.georgetowncountysc.org, select “Purchasing” and “Current Bids”. It is each proposer’s responsibility to verify that all addenda have been received and acknowledged.

27. Bids must be made on Proposal or Bid Form furnished or will be rejected. Proposals shall be typewritten or written in ink on the form prepared by the County. The person signing the bid shall initial all corrections or erasures.

28. Insurance

The successful bidder shall procure, maintain, and provide proof of, insurance coverage for injuries to persons and/or property damage as may arise from or in conjunction with, the work performed on behalf of the County by the bidder, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors. Proof of coverage as contained herein shall be submitted fifteen (15) days prior to the commencement of work and such coverage shall be maintained by the bidder for the duration of the contract period; for occurrence policies.

a. General Liability

Coverage shall be as broad as: Comprehensive General Liability endorsed to include Broad Form, Commercial General Liability form including Products/Completed Operations.

1. Minimum Limits

General Liability:

- \$1,000,000 General Aggregate Limit
- \$1,000,000 Products & Completed Operations
- \$1,000,000 Personal and Advertising Injury
- \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence Limit
- \$50,000 Fire Damage Limit
- \$5,000 Medical Expense Limit

b. Automobile Liability

Coverage sufficient to cover all vehicles owned, used, or hired by the bidder, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

1. Minimum Limits

Automobile Liability:

- \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit
- \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence Limit
- \$5,000 Medical Expense Limit

c. Workers' Compensation

Limits as required by the Workers' Compensation Act of SC. Employers Liability, \$1,000,000.

d. Owners' & Contractors' Protective Liability

Policy will be in name of County. Minimum limits required are \$1,000,000.

e. Professional Liability

Minimum limits are \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

f. Coverage Provisions

1. All deductibles or self-insured retention shall appear on the certificate(s).
2. The County of Georgetown, its officers/ officials, employees, agents and volunteers shall be added as "additional insured" as their interests may appear. This provision does not apply to Professional Liability or Workers' Compensation/Employers' Liability.
3. The offeror's insurance shall be primary over any applicable insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County.
4. Shall provide 30 days written notice to the County before any cancellation, suspension, or void of coverage in whole or part, where such provision is reasonable.
5. All coverage for subcontractors of the bidder shall be subject to all of the requirements stated herein.
6. All deductibles or self-insured retention shall appear on the certificate(s) and shall be subject to approval by the County. At the option of the County, either; the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductible or self-insured retention; or the bidder shall be required to procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related claims expenses.

7. Failure to comply with any reporting provisions of the policy(s) shall not affect coverage provided the County, its officers/officials, agents, employees and volunteers.
8. The insurer shall agree to waive all rights of subrogation against the County, its officers/officials, agents, employees or volunteers for any act, omission or condition of premises which the parties may be held liable by reason of negligence.
9. The bidder shall furnish the County certificates of insurance including endorsements affecting coverage. The certificates are to be signed by a person authorized by the insurance company(s) to bind coverage on its' behalf, if executed by a broker, notarized copy of authorization to bind, or certify coverage must be attached.
10. All insurance shall be placed with insurers maintaining an A.M. Best rating of no less than an A:VII. If A.M. Best rating is less than A:VII, approval must be received from County's Risk Officer.

29. Workman's Compensation Coverage

Georgetown County, SC will require each contractor and service provider to maintain on file with the purchasing officer, a current Certificate of Insurance showing limits as required by the Workers' Compensation Act of SC: Employers Liability, \$1,000,000.

The law also recognizes "statutory employees." These are employees who work for a subcontractor who may be working for a business or another contractor. Employers should inquire whether or not a subcontractor working for them has workers' compensation insurance, regardless of the number of employees employed by the subcontractor. If the subcontractor does not, the subcontractor's injured employees would be covered under the employer's workers' compensation insurance. If the subcontractor does not carry workers' compensation insurance, then the owner or the principal contractor would be liable just as if the subcontractor's employee was one of their employees.

For answers to additional questions, visit the SC Worker's Compensation Commission website, at:

<http://www.wcc.state.sc.us/Frequently%20Asked%20Questions/FAQ.htm>

30. Hold Harmless Clause

The Contractor shall, during the term of the contract including any warranty period, indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County, its officials, employees, agents, and representatives thereof from all suits, actions, or claims of any kind, including attorney's fees, brought on account of any personal injuries, damages, or violations of rights, sustained by any person or property in consequence of any neglect in safeguarding contract work or on account of any act or omission by the contractor or his employees, or from any claims or amounts arising from violation of any law, bylaw, ordinance, regulation or decree. The vendor agrees that this clause shall include claims involving infringement of patent or copyright.

31. Condition of Items

All items shall be new, in first class condition, including containers suitable for shipment and storage, unless otherwise indicated herein. Verbal agreements to the contrary will not be recognized.

32. Workmanship and Inspection

All work under this contract shall be performed in a skillful and workmanlike manner. The County may, in writing, require the Contractor to remove any employee from work that the County deems incompetent or careless.

Further, the County may, from time to time, make inspections of the work performed under this contract. Any inspection by the County does not relieve the Contractor from any responsibility regarding defects or other failures to meet the contract requirements.

33. Invoicing and Payment

The firm shall submit invoices on a frequency to be determined, as agreed upon by the County, for each payment requested. Such invoice shall also include a detailed breakdown of all charges. All such invoices will be paid within thirty (30) days unless any items thereon are questioned, in which event payment will be withheld pending verification of the amount claimed and the validity of the claim. The firm shall provide complete cooperation during any such investigation. All invoices shall be forwarded to the following address:

County of Georgetown
Accounts Payable
P.O. Box 421270
Georgetown, SC 29442-1270

Individual contractors shall provide their social security numbers, and proprietorships, partnerships, and corporations shall provide their federal employer identification number on the pricing form.

34. South Carolina Sales Tax

The County of Georgetown, SC is not exempt and pays the appropriate SC sales tax on all applicable purchases. Effective May 01, 2015, the sales tax rate increased from 6% to 7% which includes a VAT for Georgetown County.

35. Assignment of Contract

This contract may not be assigned in whole or part without the written consent of the Purchasing Officer.

36. Termination

Subject to the provisions below, the contract may be terminated by the County upon thirty (30) days advance written notice to the other party; but if any work or service hereunder is in progress, but not completed as of the date of termination, then this contract may be extended upon written approval of the County until said work or services are completed and accepted.

a. Termination for Convenience

In the event that this contract is terminated or canceled upon request and for the convenience of the County, without the required thirty (30) days advance written notice, then the County shall negotiate reasonable termination costs, if applicable.

b. Termination for Cause

Termination by the County for cause, default or negligence on the part of the contractor shall be excluded from the foregoing provision; termination costs, if any, shall not apply. The thirty (30) days advance notice requirement is waived in the event of Termination for Cause.

c. Non-Appropriation:

It is understood and agreed by the parties that in the event funds are not appropriated in the current fiscal year or any subsequent fiscal years, this contract will become null and void and the County will only be required to pay for services completed to the satisfaction of the County.

37. Default

In case of default by the contractor, for any reason whatsoever, the County may procure the goods or services from another source and hold the contractor responsible for any resulting excess cost and may seek other remedies under law

38. Severability

In the event that any provision shall be adjudged or decreed to be invalid, such ruling shall not invalidate the entire Agreement but shall pertain only to the provision in question and the remaining provisions shall continue to be valid, binding and in full force and effect.

39. Applicable Laws

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of South Carolina, U.S.A.

40. Claims and Disputes:

All claims, disputes and other matters in question between parties arising out of, or relating to, this Agreement, or the breach thereof, shall be decided in the Circuit Court of the Fifteenth Judicial circuit in Georgetown County, South Carolina. By executing this Agreement, all parties specifically consent to venue and jurisdiction in Georgetown County, South Carolina and waive any right to contest jurisdiction and venue in said Court.

41. Rights of County

The County reserves the right to reject all or any part of any bid, waive informalities and award the contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to best serve the interest of the County.

42. Award of Bid

In determining the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, in addition to price, there shall be considered the following:

- (a) The ability, capacity and skill of the bidder to perform the contract.
- (b) Whether the bidder can perform the contract within the time specified, without delay of interference.
- (c) The character, integrity, reputation, judgment, experience and efficiency of the bidder.
- (d) The quality of performance on previous contracts.
- (e) The previous and existing compliance by the bidder with laws and ordinances relating to the contract.
- (f) The sufficiency of the financial resources to perform the contract to provide the service.
- (g) The quality, availability and adaptability of the supplies or contractual services to the particular use required.
- (h) The ability of the bidder to provide future maintenance and service.
- (i) The discount terms and conditions of the bid.
- (j) Delivery time.

43. Notice of Award

A *Notice of Intent to Award* will be mailed to all respondents.

44. Protest

Bidders may refer to Sections 2-67, 2-73, and 2-74 of Ordinance #2008-09, also known as the Georgetown County, South Carolina Purchasing Policy to determine their remedies concerning this competitive process. The failure to be awarded a bid shall not be valid grounds for protest.

45. Debarment

By submitting a bid, the offeror certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals, sub-contractors and assigns are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal, State or local department or agency. A copy of the County's debarment procedure in accordance with Section 2-68 of Ordinance #2008-09, also known as the Georgetown County, South Carolina Purchasing Policy is available upon request.

46. Firm Pricing for County Acceptance

Bid price must be firm for County acceptance for 90 days from bid opening date. "Discount from list," bids are not acceptable unless specifically requested.

47. Quotations to be F.O.B.: Destination

Quote F.O.B.: Destination for this competitive sealed bid. As an alternate, show exact cost for delivery.

48. Unit Prices and Extension

Bid unit price on quantity specified -- extend and show total. In case of errors in extension, unit prices shall govern. Bids subject to unlimited price increases will not be considered.

49. Use of Brand Names (If Appropriate)

Unless otherwise stated, the name of a certain brand, make or manufacturer does not restrict bidders to the specific brand, make or manufacturer named; it conveys the general style, type, character, and quality of the article desired, and any article which the County in its sole discretion determines to be the equal of that specified, considering quality, workmanship, economy of operation, and suitability for the purpose intended, shall be accepted. Any catalog, brand name or manufacturer's reference used in bid invitation is descriptive - NOT restrictive - it is to indicate type and quality desired. Bids on brands of like nature and quality will be considered. If bidding on other than reference or specifications, bid must show manufacturer, brand or trade name, catalog number, etc. of article offered. If other than brand(s) specified is offered, illustrations and complete description must be submitted with bid. Samples may be required. If bidder makes no other bid and takes no exception to specifications or reference data, he will be required to furnish brand names, numbers, etc., as specified. Bidders must certify that item(s) bid upon meet and/or exceed specifications.

50. Delivery After Receipt of Order (ARO)

Bid must show the number of days required to place material in using agency's receiving room under normal conditions. Failure to state delivery time obligates bidder to complete delivery in fourteen (14) calendar days. Unrealistically short or long delivery promised may cause bid to be disregarded. Consistent failure to meet delivery promises without valid reason may cause removal from bid list. Delivery shall be made during normal working hours only, 9 to 5, unless prior approval has been obtained from the County.

51. Permits

The successful Offeror must be responsible for obtaining all necessary city, county, and state permits/licenses and must comply with all local codes and ordinances. Copies of such

permits/licenses shall be made available to the County upon request. Building contractors working within Georgetown County must also secure a Contractor's License from the Building Department. Work within the Georgetown City Limits may require a City Business License. For additional information, please review the "Forms and Fees" section of the Building and Planning web page at the link below:

<http://www.georgetowncountysc.org/building/default.html>

52. Environmental Management:

Vendor/Supplier/Contractor will be responsible for complying with all federal, state and local environmental regulations relating to transportation, handling, storage, spillage and any other aspect of providing the services specified herein, as applicable.

53. Bid Tabulation Results

Vendors wishing to view the bid tabulation results may visit the Georgetown County, SC web-site at: <http://www.georgetowncountysc.org>. Select "Purchasing", then "Bids Information" and double click the link under the individual bid listing.

54. The Bidder hereby certifies that he or she has carefully examined all of the Documents for the project, has carefully and thoroughly reviewed this Request for Bid/Quotation, has inspected the location of the project (if applicable), and understands the nature and scope of the work to be done; and that this Bid is based upon the terms, specifications, requirements, and conditions of the Request for Bid/ Documents. The Bidder further agrees that the performance time specified is a reasonable time, having carefully considered the nature and scope of the project as aforesaid.

55. Any attempt by the vendor to influence the opinion of County Staff or County Council by discussion, promotion, advertising, misrepresentation of the submittal or purchasing process or any procedure to promote their offer will constitute a violation of the vendor submittal conditions and will cause the vendor's submittal to be declared null and void.

56. Apparent omission of a detailed description concerning any point, shall be regarded as meaning the best commercial practice is to prevail and that only material and workmanship of the finest quality are to be used.

57. Response Clarification

Georgetown County reserves the right to request additional written or oral information from Bidders in order to obtain clarification of their Responses.

58. Georgetown County, SC has a Local Vendor Preference Option by ordinance:

Sec 2-50. Local Preference Option

1. A vendor shall be deemed a Local Georgetown County vendor for the purposes of this Section if such vendor is an individual, partnership, association or corporation that is authorized to transact business within the State, maintains an office in Georgetown County, and maintains a representative inventory or commodities within the County on which the bid is submitted, and has paid all taxes duly assessed.
2. This option allows the lowest local Bidder whose bid is the lesser of \$10,000 or within five-percent (5%) of the lowest non-local Bidder to match the bid submitted by the non-local Bidder and thereby be awarded the contract. This preference shall apply only when (a) the total

dollar purchase is \$10,000 or more; (b) the vendor has a physical business address located and operating within the limits of Georgetown County and has been doing business in the County for a period of twelve (12) months or more; and (c) the vendor provides proof of payment of all applicable Georgetown County taxes and fees if so requested.

3. Should the lowest responsible and responsive Georgetown County bidder not exercise its right to match the bid as granted herein, the next lowest qualified Georgetown County bidder shall have that right and so on. The right to exercise the right to match the bid shall be exercised within 24 hours of notification of the right to match the non-Georgetown County bidder's bid.
4. In order to qualify for the local preference authorized by this Section, the vendor seeking same shall be required to submit with its bid a statement containing relevant information which demonstrates compliance with the provisions of this Section. This statement shall be on a form provided by the County purchasing department and shall be signed under penalty of perjury. Failure to provide such affidavit at the time the bidder submits its bid shall constitute a waiver of any claim for preference.
5. For all contracts for architecture, professional engineering, or other professional services governed by § 2-56, Architect-Engineer and Land Surveying Services – Public Announcement and Selection Process, the county shall include the local business status of a firm among the factors considered when selecting which firms are “most highly qualified.” In determining which firm is the “most qualified” for purposes of negotiating a satisfactory contract, preference shall be given to a local business where all other relevant factors are equal.
6. Local preference shall not apply to the following categories of contracts: (a) Goods or services provided under a cooperative purchasing agreement or similar “piggyback” contract; (b) Contracts for professional services except as provided for in section five (§5) above; (c) Purchases or contracts which are funded, in whole or in part, by a governmental or other funding entity, where the terms and conditions of receipt of the funds prohibit the preference; (d) Purchases or contracts made pursuant to a noncompetitive award process, unless otherwise provided by this section; or (e) Any bid announcement which specifically provides that the general local preference policies set forth in this section are suspended due to the unique nature of the goods or services sought, the existence of an emergency as found by either the county council or county administrator, or where such suspension is, in the opinion of the county attorney, required by law.

See the RESIDENCE CERTIFICATION FOR LOCAL PREFERENCE form attached for details.

59. Vendor Checklist

The items indicated below must be returned as a part of the Bid Submission package:

- Substitute for Form W-9
- Mandatory Bid Submittal Form
- Resident Certification for Local Preference
- Mandatory Exceptions Page

The successful proposer will be required to provide a Certificate of Insurance naming Georgetown County, SC as an additional insured. This must be on file prior to any final award.

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RESIDENCE CERTIFICATION FOR LOCAL PREFERENCE

MANDATORY VENDOR SUBMITTAL FORM

WHEREAS, Georgetown County Council desires to further its support of local businesses when awarding contracts for the provision of supplies and construction services to the County through its established procurement procedures.

THEREFOR pursuant to Georgetown County, SC Ordinance #2010-45 as adopted, §2-50 Local Preference Option, the Georgetown County Purchasing Officer requests each offeror provide Residence Certification. The Local Preference Option provides some restrictions on the awarding of governmental contracts; provisions of which are stated below:

Sec 2-50. Local Preference Option

5. A vendor shall be deemed a Local Georgetown County vendor for the purposes of this Section if such vendor is an individual, partnership, association or corporation that is authorized to transact business within the State, maintains an office in Georgetown County, and maintains a representative inventory or commodities within the County on which the bid is submitted, and has paid all taxes duly assessed.
6. This option allows the lowest local Bidder whose bid is the lesser of \$10,000 or within five-percent (5%) of the lowest non-local Bidder to match the bid submitted by the non-local Bidder and thereby be awarded the contract. This preference shall apply only when (a) the total dollar purchase is \$10,000 or more; (b) the vendor has a physical business address located and operating within the limits of Georgetown County and has been doing business in the County for a period of twelve (12) months or more; and (c) the vendor provides proof of payment of all applicable Georgetown County taxes and fees if so requested.
7. Should the lowest responsible and responsive Georgetown County bidder not exercise its right to match the bid as granted herein, the next lowest qualified Georgetown County bidder shall have that right and so on. The right to exercise the right to match the bid shall be exercised within 24 hours of notification of the right to match the non-Georgetown County bidder's bid.
8. In order to qualify for the local preference authorized by this Section, the vendor seeking same shall be required to submit with its bid a statement containing relevant information which demonstrates compliance with the provisions of this Section. This statement shall be on a form provided by the County purchasing department and shall be signed under penalty of perjury. Failure to provide such affidavit at the time the bidder submits its bid shall constitute a waiver of any claim for preference.

5. For all contracts for architecture, professional engineering, or other professional services governed by § 2-56, Architect-Engineer and Land Surveying Services – Public Announcement and Selection Process, the county shall include the local business status of a firm among the factors considered when selecting which firms are “most highly qualified.” In determining which firm is the “most qualified” for purposes of negotiating a satisfactory contract, preference shall be given to a local business where all other relevant factors are equal.

6. Local preference shall not apply to the following categories of contracts:
 - (a) Goods or services provided under a cooperative purchasing agreement or similar “piggyback” contract;
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 - (c) Purchases or contracts which are funded, in whole or in part, by a governmental or other funding entity, where the terms and conditions of receipt of the funds prohibit the preference;
 - (d) Purchases or contracts made pursuant to a noncompetitive award process, unless otherwise provided by this section; or
 - (e) Any bid announcement which specifically provides that the general local preference policies set forth in this section are suspended due to the unique nature of the goods or services sought, the existence of an emergency as found by either the county council or county administrator, or where such suspension is, in the opinion of the county attorney, required by law.

I certify that [Company Name] _____ is a

Resident Bidder of Georgetown County as defined in Ordinance #2010-45, and our principal place of business is _____ [City and State].

I certify that [Company Name] _____ is a

Non-Resident Bidder of Georgetown County as defined in Ordinance #2010-45, and our principal place of business is _____ [City and State].

(X) _____

Signature of Company Officer



SUBSTITUTE FOR FORM W-9 MANDATORY BID SUBMISSION FORM

Pursuant to Internal Revenue Service Regulations, you must furnish your Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) to Georgetown County. If this number is not provided, you may be subject to a 26% withholding on each payment.

INDIVIDUAL OR OWNER'S NAME _____
(Sole Proprietor Must Provide Individual Name along with Business Name)

LEGAL BUSINESS NAME (d/b/a): _____

ADDRESS: (_____
(_____
(_____

9 DIGIT TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (TIN)
(Individual Must Provide SS#; Sole Proprietorship may provide SS# or EIN#)

Social Security Number _____ - _____ - _____

Employer Identification Number _____ - _____ - _____

BUSINESS DESIGNATION

- Individual, Sole Proprietor, or Single-Member LLC C-Corporation
- S-Corporation Partnership
- Trust/Estate Governmental Entity
- Non-Profit Organization/501(a) Other: _____
- Limited Liability Company (Must Circle the appropriate Tax Classification):
C = Corporation S = S Corporation P = Partnership

PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY (List Type of Service or Product Provided):

_____ MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDER ATTORNEY/LEGAL SERVICES PROVIDER

CERTIFICATION Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person; and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. *The Internal Revenue Service does not require your consent to any provision of this document other than the certifications required to avoid back-up withholding.*

Signature: _____ Date _____



MANDATORY BID SUBMITTAL FORM

Bid #16-033

Underground Steel Belted Conveyor System with Pit at MRF

The undersigned, on behalf of the vendor, certifies that: (1) this bid is made without previous understanding, agreement or connection with any person, firm or corporation making a bid on the same project; (2) is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; (3) the person whose signature appears below is legally empowered to bind the firm in whose name the bid is entered; (4) they have read the complete Request for Bid and understand and accept all provisions; (5) if accepted by the County, this bid is guaranteed as written and amended and will be implemented as stated; and (6) mistakes in writing of the submitted bid will be their responsibility.

1. Name of Company submitting bid: _____

2. **BASE Bid Item:**

a) Cost of Unit/Materials: \$ _____

b) Cost of Labor/Installation (Include Conveyor/Pit/Mechanical): \$ _____

c) Shipping/Freight (If not Included Above): \$ _____

d) SC Sales Tax Permit # _____ Amount: \$ _____

This purchase is subject to: **7% SC Sales Tax (Effective 05/01/2015)**

If your company is authorized to collect SC Sales Tax, place your SC Sales Tax Permit Number and the amount of tax to be collected on the line above, otherwise write "NO" in both line items.

3. **Total Base Bid Cost** (Lines 2a+2b+2c+2d): \$ _____

4. **Add/Alternate #1** Decommissioning of Existing Conveyor: \$ _____

5. **Add/Alternate #2** Decommissioning of Existing Pit: \$ _____

6. **Add/Alternate #3** Relocation of Existing Baler: \$ _____

7. Bid cost must remain valid ninety (90) days from bid opening date.

8. Time frame for completion:

9. Contact Address: _____

10. Contact Person _____

11. Telephone Number _____ Fax Number _____

12. E-Mail address _____

13. Remittance Address: _____

14. Accounting Contact _____

15. Telephone Number _____ Fax Number _____

16. E-Mail address _____

17. Customer References: Submit no less than three (3) firms at which the bidder provides services similar in scope and nature to the work required by this RFP:

Entity Name:	
Contact:	
Title:	
Street:	
City, State & Zip:	
Primary Telephone:	
Primary FAX:	
E-Mail Address:	
Brief Explanation of Relationship:	

Entity Name:	
Contact:	
Title:	
Street:	
City, State & Zip:	
Primary Telephone:	
Primary FAX:	
E-Mail Address:	

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Entity Name:	
Contact:	
Title:	
Street:	
City, State & Zip:	
Primary Telephone:	
Primary FAX:	
E-Mail Address:	
Brief Explanation of Relationship:	

18. Suspension and Debarment

Federal guidelines require grant recipients to obtain sufficient assurance that vendors are not suspended or debarred from participating in federal programs when contracts exceed \$25,000. By signing below you verify that no party to this agreement is excluded from receiving Federal contracts, certain subcontracts, and certain Federal financial and nonfinancial assistance and benefits, pursuant to the provisions of 31 U.S.C. 6101, note, E.O. 12549, E.O. 12689, 48 CFR 9.404, and each agency's codification of the Common Rule for Nonprocurement suspension and debarment. [See <https://www.epls.gov/> for additional information.]

19. Will you honor the submitted prices for purchase by other departments within Georgetown County and by other government entities who participate in cooperative purchasing with Georgetown County, South Carolina?

Yes No

20. Acceptance of Invitation for Bid Content: The contents of the successful IFB/RPS are included as if fully reproduced herein. Therefore, the selected contractor must be prepared to be bound by his/her proposal as submitted.

21. RENEWAL OF CONTRACT

The continuation of the terms, conditions, and provisions of any resulting contract beyond the fiscal year is subject to approval and ratification by the Georgetown County Council and appropriation by them of the necessary money to fund said contract for each succeeding year.

22. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE:

The undersigned certifies that the vendor listed below will provide a “drug-free workplace” as that term is defined in Section 44-107-30 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, by the complying with the requirements set forth in title 44, Chapter 107.

Yes No

23. Any attempt by the vendor to influence the opinion of County Staff or County Council by discussion, promotion, advertising, misrepresentation of the submittal or purchasing process or any procedure to promote their offer will constitute a violation of the vendor submittal conditions and will cause the vendor’s submittal to be declared null and void.
24. The lowest or any proposal will not necessarily be accepted and the County reserves the right to award any portion thereof. I/We, the undersigned, hereby confirm that all the above noted documents for Bid/Request for Proposal No. 16-033 were received.
25. **ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION: Non-Construction (NOV. 2008):** (An overview is available at www.procurement.sc.gov) By signing your offer, you certify that you will comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14 of the South Carolina Code of Laws and agree to provide to the State upon request any documentation required to establish either: (a) that Title 8, Chapter 14 is inapplicable to you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors; or (b) that you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors are in compliance with Title 8, Chapter 14. Pursuant to Section 8-14-60, "A person who knowingly makes or files any false, fictitious, or fraudulent document, statement, or report pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction, must be fined within the discretion of the court or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both." You agree to include in any contracts with your subcontractors language requiring your subcontractors to (a) comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts with the sub-subcontractors language requiring the sub-subcontractors to comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14. [07-7B097-1]

26. **INFORMATION ONLY:**

Our company accepts VISA government procurement cards.

Our company does not accept VISA government procurement cards.

27. Printed Name of person binding bid _____

28. Signature (X) _____

29. Date _____

NOTE: THE ENTIRE IFB PACKET NEED NOT BE RETURNED.

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EXCEPTIONS PAGE

MANDATORY BID SUBMISSION FORM

List any areas where you cannot or will not comply with the specifications or terms contained within the bid documentation. If none, write "NONE".