

**MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
GENERAL SERVICES
3901 EAST 32ND STREET
JOPLIN, MO 64804**

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SEALED BIDS, SUBJECT TO THE ATTACHED CONDITIONS WILL BE RECEIVED AT THIS OFFICE UNTIL

1:00 p.m., Local Time, March 17, 2011

AND THEN PUBLICLY OPENED AND READ FOR FURNISHING THE FOLLOWING SUPPLIES OR SERVICES.

BIDS TO BE BASED F.O.B. MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Submit net bid as cash discount stipulations will not be considered

**Ash Grove Aggregate
El Dorado Springs Quarry
El Dorado Springs, MO**

DEFINITE DELIVERY DATE SHOULD BE SHOWN. THE BIDDER MUST SIGN AND RETURN BEFORE DATE AND TIME SET FOR OPENING.

BUYER: Cathy Bay
BUYER EMAIL:
Cathy.Bay@modot.mo.gov

BUYER TELEPHONE: 417-621-6354

SUPPLIES OR SERVICES

PLANT MIX OIL MATERIAL

MoDOT District 7 is seeking bids from qualified bidders who can provide Plant Mix Oil Material. Sealed bids will be accepted to supply plant mix oil material at a stockpile site designated in this Bid.

*****NOTE: It is the responsibility of the Bidder to access MoDOT's website in order to obtain any and all addenda(s) issued during the course of the RFB Process.**

Bidders are encouraged to obtain minority business enterprise (MBE) and women business enterprise (WBE) participation in this work through the use of subcontractors, suppliers, joint ventures, or other arrangements that afford meaningful participation for M/WBEs. Bidders are encouraged to obtain 10% MBE and 5% WBE participation.

Return sealed bid to the address shown at the top of this page.

(SEE ATTACHED FOR TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND INSTRUCTIONS)

In compliance with the above Request For Bid, and subject to all conditions thereof, the undersigned bidder agrees to furnish and deliver any or all the items on which prices were bid within the timeframe specified herein, after receipt of formal purchase order.

Date: _____
Telephone No.: _____
Fax No.: _____
Federal I.D. No. _____
Email Address: _____

Firm Name: _____
Address: _____

By (Signature): _____
Type/Print Name _____

Is your firm MBE certified? Yes No

Title: _____
Is your firm WBE certified? Yes No

1. INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 Introduction:

- 1.1.1 This Request for Bid seeks bids from qualified vendors to provide Plant Mix Oil Material. Sealed bids will be accepted to supply plant mix oil material that will be delivered to a designated stockpile site as stated in this bid. This work shall consist of mixing aggregate and liquid bituminous material at the designated stockpile site, in accordance with these specifications or as directed by the engineer. Each bid must be mailed in a **sealed** envelope to Ms. Cathy Bay, General Services Procurement Unit, 3901 East 32nd Street, Joplin, Mo 64804, or hand-delivered in a **sealed** envelope to the General Services Procurement Office in the District 7 Missouri Department of Transportation General Services Building located at 3901 East 32nd Street, Joplin, Missouri 64804. All questions regarding the RFB shall be submitted to Ms. Cathy Bay. Bids must be returned to the office of Ms. Cathy Bay no later than 1:00 p.m., Local Time, March 17, 2011.

RFB Coordinator:

Ms. Cathy Bay
General Services Procurement
Missouri Department of Transportation
3901 East 32nd Street
Joplin, MO 64804
PHONE: 417-621-6354

1.2 General Information:

- 1.2.1 Organization - This document, referred to as a Request for Bid (RFB), is divided into the following parts:
- 1) Introduction and General Information
 - 2) Scope of Work
 - 3) Bid Submission
 - 4) Pricing Page(s)
 - 5) Signature Page(s)
 - 6) Terms and Conditions

2. SCOPE OF WORK

2.1 Contractual Requirements:

- 2.1.1 The contractor shall provide Plant Mix Oil Material to the Missouri Department of Transportation (hereinafter referred to as "MoDOT") District 7 in accordance with the requirements and provisions stated herein. Unless otherwise stated, the contractor shall not deviate from the requirements. Unless otherwise specified herein, the contractor shall furnish all material, labor, equipment, and supplies necessary to provide the deliverables required herein.
- 2.1.2 The contractor will produce plant mix oil material which consists of mixing aggregate and liquid bituminous material. The plant mix oil material will be stockpiled and maintained at the El Dorado Springs Ash Grove quarry located at El Dorado Springs, MO.
- 2.1.3 The amount of plant mix oil material that MoDOT is requesting is identified on the "Pricing Page".
- 2.1.4 The stockpile is to be fully complete and in place by April 4th, 2011.

- 2.1.5 Ash Grove Aggregates at the El Dorado Springs quarry will maintain for MoDOT, MoDOT's stockpile of plant mix oil material on their property. The time frame set for keeping the stockpile on Ash Grove's property is from April 4th, 2011 through September 15, 2001. MoDOT forces will haul approximately 150 tons per day intermittently throughout this time frame.
- 2.1.6 The equipment capability to load MoDOT trucks will be supplied by the Ash Grove Aggregate quarry.
- 2.1.7 MoDOT will weigh their own trucks as they haul out of the quarry by utilizing the certified scales at the Ash Grove Aggregate quarry.
- 2.1.8 MoDOT will notify the Ash Grove Aggregate quarry 24 hours in advance of loading trucks and the quantity to be loaded.

2.2 Specific Requirements:

2.2.1 All material shall conform to **Missouri Standard Specifications for Highway Construction, 2004 Edition**, and any revisions thereto, except as revised herein:

2.2.1.1 **Aggregate Specifications** - Graded aggregate for bituminous surface with a maximum limit of 4.5% absorption on stone ledges and gravel sources.

Spec. 1004.1 - Meeting the following gradation limits:

		Percent Passing						
		Sieve Size						
Grade	Type of Material	¾ in.	½ in.	3/8 in.	#4	#8	#30	#200
		19.0 mm	12.5 mm	9.5 mm	4.75 mm	2.36 mm	600 mm	75 mm
1	Crushed Stone or Porphyry	100	95-100	65-95	20-55	2-20		0-5

2.2.1.2 **Estimated Percent Asphalt is: 5%**

2.2.1.3 **Liquid Bituminous Material** - The liquid bituminous material shall meet the specifications contained in Section 1015 of Missouri Standard Specifications for Highway Construction, 2004 Edition, for **EA 300 Emulsified Asphalt**.

The liquid bituminous material used shall coat the aggregate at the point of use in a manner and to a degree satisfactory to the engineer. Material that does not fully comply with these specifications will be rejected. The supplier shall be responsible for the cost and disposal of all rejected material.

2.2.1.4 **Sampling, Testing and Acceptance Procedures** - It shall be the responsibility of the supplier to guarantee by certification that the material fully complies with the specification requirements. The material will be tested by MoDOT personnel for compliance to meet MoDOT specifications.

2.3 Liquidated Damage Requirements:

2.3.1 The contractor shall agree and understand that providing the plant mix oil material in accordance with the requirements stated herein is considered critical to the efficient operations of MoDOT. However, since the amount of actual damages would be difficult to establish in the event the contractor fails to comply with the

contractual requirements, the contractor shall agree and understand that the amount identified below as liquidated damages shall be reasonable and fair under the circumstances.

- a. In the event the contractor fails to provide the plant mix oil material in accordance with the contractual requirements specified herein, the contractor shall be assessed liquidated damages in the amount of **\$500.00** per day for each such delinquent day.
- b. The contractor shall further agree and understand that such liquidated damages shall either be deducted from the total amount due the contractor or paid by the contractor as a direct payment to MoDOT, at the sole discretion of MoDOT.
- c. The contractor shall agree and understand that the liquidated damages described herein shall not be construed as a penalty.
- d. The contractor shall agree and understand that all assessments of liquidated damages shall be within the discretion of MoDOT and shall be in addition to, not in lieu of, the rights of MoDOT to pursue other appropriate remedies.
- e. The contractor shall agree and understand that if a product(s) is rejected due to not meeting specifications, all cost associated with returning the product to the contractor shall be paid by the contractor, at no additional cost to MoDOT.

2.4 Invoicing and Payment Requirements:

- 2.4.1 The contractor shall be paid in accordance with the firm, fixed prices stated on the pricing page of this document after completion of deliverables specified herein and acceptance by MoDOT.
- 2.4.2 The contractor will not be paid more than ninety percent (90%) of the value of the materials and completed work until final acceptance of the required quantity and acceptance of material is confirmed "By Certified Weight Tickets".
- 2.4.3 MoDOT is exempt from paying Missouri Sales Tax, Missouri Use Tax and Federal Excise Tax. However, the contractor may themselves be responsible for the payment of taxes on materials they purchase to fulfill the contract. A Federal Excise Tax Exemption Certificate will be furnished to the successful bidder upon request.
- 2.4.4 Unless otherwise provided for in the solicitation documents, payment for all equipment, supplies, and/or services required herein shall be made in arrears. The Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission (MHTC) shall not make any advance deposits.
- 2.4.5 The MHTC assumes no obligation for equipment, supplies, and/or services shipped or provided in excess of the quantity ordered. Any authorized quantity is subject to the MHTC's rejection and shall be returned at the contractor's expense.

3. BID SUBMISSION

3.1 Bid Submission Information:

3.1.1 All bids must be received in a sealed envelope clearly marked "Plant Mix Oil Material, El Dorado Springs".

3.1.2 All bids must be received at the following address no later than March 17, 2011 at 1:00 p.m., Local Time.

The Missouri Department of Transportation
General Services – Procurement Division
Attn: Ms. Cathy Bay
3901 East 32nd Street
Joplin, MO 64804

3.1.3 The bidder may withdraw, modify or correct his bid after it has been deposited with the Department provided such request is submitted in writing and received at the location designated for the bid opening prior to the time specified for opening bids. Such a request received as specified will be attached to the bid and the bid will be considered to have been modified accordingly. No bid may be modified after the time specified for the opening of bids.

3.1.4 Open Competition / Request For Bid Document:

- a. It shall be the bidder's responsibility to ask questions, request changes or clarification, or otherwise advise MoDOT if any language, specifications or requirements of an RFB appear to be ambiguous, contradictory, and/or arbitrary, or appear to inadvertently restrict or limit the requirements stated in the RFB to a single source. Any and all communication from bidders regarding specifications, requirements, competitive bid process, etc., must be directed to the buyer from MoDOT, unless the RFB specifically refers the bidder to another contact. Such communication should be received at least three (3) working days prior to the official bid opening date.
- b. Every attempt shall be made to ensure that the bidder receives an adequate and prompt response. However, in order to maintain a fair and equitable bid process, all bidders will be advised, via the issuance of an amendment to the RFB, of any relevant or pertinent information related to the procurement. Therefore, bidders are advised that unless specified elsewhere in the RFB, any questions received less than three (3) working days prior to the RFB opening date may not be answered.
- c. Bidders are cautioned that the only official position of the MoDOT is that which is issued by MoDOT in the RFB or an amendment thereto. No other means of communication, whether oral or written, shall be construed as a formal or official response or statement.
- d. MoDOT monitors all procurement activities to detect any possibility of deliberate restraint of competition, collusion among bidders, price-fixing by bidders, or any other anticompetitive conduct by bidders which appears to violate state and federal antitrust laws. Any suspected violation shall be referred to the Missouri Attorney General's Office for appropriate action.

3.1.5 Bids will be reviewed to determine if the bid complies with the mandatory requirements, and to determine the lowest and best bid.

3.1.6 Cost Determination – The low bid shall be determined by the amount of the unit price extension.

3.1.7 Contract Award – The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsive bidder determined as specified above.

- a. Award of this bid will be made on an "All Or Nothing" basis using the "lowest and best" principle of award.
- b. Notification of award shall be at the time the tabulation is posted to the Internet. It is the sole responsibility for all bidders to check the website for bid results.

4. PRICING PAGE

4.1 The bidder shall provide a firm, fixed price in the table below for providing Plant Mix Oil Material in accordance with the provisions and requirements of this RFB. All costs associated with providing the required deliverables shall be included in the prices stated below.

Description	Qty	U/M	Unit Price	Unit Price Extension
Plant Mix Oil Material	2300	Ton		

Signature

Date

ANTI-COLLUSION STATEMENT

STATE OF _____)

COUNTY OF _____)

SS.

_____ being first

duly sworn, deposes and says that he is _____
Title of Person Signing

of _____

_____ Name of Bidder

that all statements made and facts set out in the bid for the above project are true and correct; and that the bidder (The person, firm, association, or corporation making said bid) has not, either directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with such bid or any contract which may result from its acceptance.

Affiant further certifies that bidder is not financially interested in, or financially affiliated with, any other bidder for the above project.

By _____

By _____

By _____

Sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires _____

PREFERENCE IN PURCHASING PRODUCTS

DATE: _____

The bidders attention is directed to Section 34.076 RSMo 2000 which gives preference to Missouri corporations, firms, and individuals when letting contracts or purchasing products.

Bids/Quotations received will be evaluated on the basis of this legislation.

All vendors submitting a bid/quotation must furnish ALL information requested below.

FOR CORPORATIONS:

State in which incorporated: _____

FOR OTHERS:

State of domicile: _____

FOR ALL VENDORS:

List address of Missouri offices or places of business:

THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED:

FIRM NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **STATE:** _____ **ZIP:** _____

BY (signature required): _____

NOTE: For bid/quotation to be considered, the "Preference in Purchasing Products" form must be on file in the General Services (Procurement) Division and must be dated in the current calendar year.

MISSOURI DOMESTIC PRODUCTS PROCUREMENT ACT

The bidder's attention is directed to the Missouri Domestic Products Procurement Act, Sections 34.350 to 34.359, RsMO, which requires all manufactured goods or commodities used or supplied in the performance of this contract or any subcontract to be manufactured or produced in the United States.

Section 34.355, RsMO, requires the vendor or contractor to certify his compliance with Section 34.353 and, if applicable, Section 34.359, RsMO, at the time of bidding and prior to payment. Failure to comply with Section 34.353, RsMO, during the performance of the contract and to provide certification of compliance prior to payment will result in nonpayment for those goods or commodities.

Section 34.353.2, RsMO, specifies that it does not apply where the total contract is less than Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00). If your total bid is Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) or more, you must complete this form as directed below.

Failure to complete and return this document with this bid will cause the State to presume the manufactured goods or products listed in the bid are not manufactured or produced in the United States, and the bid will be evaluated on that basis. Please read the certification appearing below on this form.

- If all the goods or products specified in the attached bid which the bidder proposes to supply to the State shall be manufactured or produced in the "United States" as defined in Section 34.350, RsMO, check the box at left.
- If only one item of any particular goods or products specified in the attached bid is manufactured or produced in the "United States" as defined in Section 34.350, RsMO, check the box at left and list the items (or item number) here:
- _____
- If any or all of the goods or products specified in the attached bid which the bidder proposes to supply to the State are not manufactured or produced in the "United States" as defined in Section 34.350, RsMO, then: (a) check the box at left; (b) list below, by item (or item number), the country other than the United States where each good or product is manufactured or produced; and (c) check the boxes to the left of the paragraphs below if applicable and list the corresponding items (or item numbers) in the spaces provided.

Item (or item number)	Location Where Item Manufactured or Produced

(attach an additional sheet if necessary)

- The following specified goods or products cannot be manufactured or produced in the United States in sufficient quantities or in time to meet the contract specifications. Items (or item numbers): _____
- _____
- The following specified goods or products must be treated as manufactured or produced in the United States, in accordance with an existing treaty, law, agreement, or regulation of the United States, including a treaty between the United States and any foreign country regarding export-import restrictions or international trade. Items (or item numbers): _____
- _____

CERTIFICATION

By submitting this document, completed as directed above, with a bid, the bidder certifies under penalty of making false declaration (Section 575.060, RsMO) that the information contained in this document is true, correct and complete, and may be relied upon by the State in determining the bidders qualifications under and in compliance with the Missouri Domestic Products Procurement Act.

The bidder's failure to complete and return this document with the bid as directed above will cause the State to presume the manufactured goods or products listed in the bid are not manufactured or produced in the United States, and the bid will be evaluated on that basis pursuant to Section 34.353.3(2), RsMO.

STANDARD SOLICITATION PROVISIONS

- a. The Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) reserves the right to reject any or all bids/quotes/proposals, and to accept or reject any items thereon, and to waive technicalities. In case of error in the extension of prices in the bid/quote/proposal, unit prices will govern.
- b. All bids/quotes/proposals must be signed with the firm name and by a responsible officer or employee. Obligations assumed by such signature must be fulfilled.
- c. By virtue of statutory authority, a preference will be given to materials, products, supplies, provisions and all other articles produced, manufactured, made or grown, within the State of Missouri.
- d. Time of delivery is a part of the consideration and, if not otherwise stated in the solicitation documents, must be stated in definite terms by the Bidder/Offeror and must be adhered to. If time varies on different items, the Bidder/Offeror shall so state.
- e. If providing bids/quotes/proposals for commodities, the Bidder/Offeror will state brand or make on each item. If bidding or proposing other than the make, model or brand specified, the manufacturer's name, model number or catalog number must be given.
- f. For bids/proposals of \$25,000 or more, no bids/proposals by telephone, telegram or telefax will be accepted.
- g. The date specified for the returning of bids/quotes/proposals is a firm deadline and all bids/quotes/proposals must be received at the designated office by that time. The Department does not recognize the U.S. Mail, Railway Express Agency, Air Express, or any other organization, as its agent for purposes of accepting proposals. All proposals arriving at the designated office after the deadline specified will be rejected.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

General Performance

- a. Bidders are encouraged to obtain minority business enterprise (MBE) and women business enterprise (WBE) participation in this work through the use of subcontractors, suppliers, joint ventures, or other arrangements that afford meaningful participation for M/WBEs. Bidders are encouraged to obtain 10% MBE and 5% WBE participation.
- b. This work is to be performed under the general supervision and direction of the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) and, if awarded any portion of the work, the Contractor agrees to furnish at his own expense all labor and equipment required to complete the work, it being expressly understood that this solicitation is for completed work based upon the price(s) specified and is not a solicitation for rental of equipment or employment of labor by MoDOT, and MoDOT is to have no direction or control over the employees used by the Contractor in performance of the work.

Deliveries

- a. Unless otherwise specified on the solicitation documents or purchase order, suppliers shall give at least 24 hours advance notice of each delivery. Delivery will only be received between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Material arriving after 3:00 p.m. will not be unloaded until the following workday. No material will be received on Saturday, Sunday or state holidays.
- b. If the prices bid herein include the delivery cost of the material, the Contractor agrees to pay all transportation charges on the material as FOB - Destination. Freight costs must be included in the unit price bid and not listed as a separate line item.
- c. Any demurrage is to be paid by the Contractor direct to the railroad or carrier.

Nondiscrimination

- a. The Contractor shall comply with the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination in federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21, as they may be amended from time to time, (hereinafter referred to as the Regulations), which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract.
- b. All solicitations either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by the Contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials or leases of the Contractor's obligations under this contract and the Regulations, will be relative to nondiscrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.
 - 1) Sanctions for Noncompliance: In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this contract, MoDOT shall impose such contract sanctions as it or the Federal Highway Administration may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:
 - i. withholding of payments to the Contractor under the contract until the Contractor complies, and/or,
 - ii. cancellation, termination or suspension of the contract, in whole or in part.

Contract/Purchase Order

- a. By submitting a bid/quote/proposal, the Bidder/Offeror agrees to furnish any and all equipment, supplies and/or services specified in the solicitation documents, at the prices quoted, pursuant to all requirements and specifications contained therein.
- b. A binding contract shall consist of: (1) the solicitation documents, amendments thereto, and/or Best and Final Offer (BAFO) request(s) with any changes/additions, (2) the Contractor's proposal and/or submitted pricing, and (3) the MHTC's acceptance of the proposal and/or bid by purchase order or post-award contract.
- c. A notice of award does not constitute an authorization for shipment of equipment or supplies or a directive to proceed with services. Before providing equipment, supplies and/or services, the Contractor must receive a properly authorized purchase order and/or notice to proceed.

- d. The contract expresses the complete agreement of the parties and performance shall be governed solely by the specifications and requirements contained therein. Any change, whether by modification and/or supplementation, must be accomplished by a formal contract amendment signed and approved by and between the duly authorized representative of the Contractor and the duly authorized representative of the MHTC, by a modified purchase order prior to the effective date of such modification. The Contractor expressly and explicitly understands and agrees that no other method and/or no other document, including correspondence, acts, and oral communications by or from any person, shall be used or construed as an amendment or modification.

Subcontracting

- a. It is specifically understood that no portion of the material or any interest in the contract, shall be subcontracted, transferred, assigned or otherwise disposed of, except with the written consent of MoDOT. Request for permission to subcontract or otherwise dispose of any part of the work shall be in writing to MoDOT and accompanied by documentation showing that the organization which will perform the work is particularly experienced and equipped for such work.
- b. Consent to subcontract or otherwise dispose of any portion of the work shall not be construed to relieve the Contractor of any responsibility for the production and delivery of the contracted work and the completion of the work within the specified time.
- c. All payments for work performed by a subcontractor shall be made to the Contractor to whom the contract was awarded and the purchase order issued.

Invoicing and Payment

- a. MoDOT is exempt from paying Missouri Sales Tax, Missouri Use Tax and Federal Excise Tax. However, the Contractor may themselves be responsible for the payment of taxes on materials they purchase to fulfill the contract. A Project Tax Exemption Certificate will be furnished to the successful Bidder/Offeror upon request if applicable.
- b. Each invoice should be itemized in accordance with items listed on the purchase order and/or contract. The statewide financial management system has been designed to capture certain receipt and payment information. Therefore, each invoice submitted must reference the purchase order number and must be itemized in accordance with items listed on the purchase order. Failure to comply with this requirement may delay processing of invoices for payment.
- c. Unless otherwise provided for in the solicitation documents, payment for all equipment, supplies, and/or services required herein shall be made in arrears. The Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission (MHTC) shall not make any advance deposits.
- d. The MHTC assumes no obligation for equipment, supplies, and/or services shipped or provided in excess of the quantity ordered. Any authorized quantity is subject to the MHTC's rejection and shall be returned at the Contractor's expense.
- e. The MHTC reserves the right to purchase goods and services using the state-purchasing card.

Applicable Laws and Regulations

- a. The contract shall be construed according to the laws of the State of Missouri. The Contractor shall comply with all local, state, and federal laws and regulations related to the performance of the contract.
- b. The Contractor must be registered and maintain good standing with the Secretary of State of the State of Missouri and other regulatory agencies, as may be required by law or regulations. Prior to the issuance of a purchase order and/or notice to proceed, the Contractor may be required to submit to MoDOT a copy of their current Authority Certificate from the Secretary of State of the State of Missouri.
 - 1) Prior to the issuance of a purchase order and/or notice to proceed, all **out-of-state** Contractors **providing services** within the state of Missouri must submit to MoDOT a copy of their current Transient Employer Certificate from the Department of Revenue, in addition to a copy of their current Authority Certificate from the Secretary of State of the State of Missouri.
- c. The exclusive venue for any legal proceeding relating to or arising, out of the contract shall be in the Circuit Court of Cole County, Missouri.

EXECUTIVE ORDER

- a. The Contractor shall comply with all the provisions of Executive Order 07-13, issued by the Honorable Matt Blunt, Governor of Missouri, on the sixth (6th) day of March, 2007. This Executive Order, which promulgates the State of Missouri's position to not tolerate persons who contract with the state engaging in or supporting illegal activities of employing individuals who are not eligible to work in the United States, is incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Agreement.
 - 1) "By signing this Agreement, the Contractor hereby certifies that any employee of the Contractor assigned to perform services under the contract is eligible and authorized to work in the United States in compliance with federal law."
 - 2) In the event the Contractor fails to comply with the provisions of the Executive Order 07-13, or in the event the Commission has reasonable cause to believe that the contractor has knowingly employed individuals who are not eligible to work in the United States in violation of federal law, the Commission reserves the right to impose such contract sanctions as it may determine to be appropriate, including but not limited to contract cancellation, termination or suspension in whole or in part or both.
 - 3) The Contractor shall include the provisions of this paragraph in every subcontract. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontract as the Commission may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance.

Preferences

- a. In the evaluation of bids/quotes/proposals, preferences shall be applied in accordance with Chapter 34 RSMo. Contractors should apply the same preferences in selecting subcontractors.

- b. By virtue of statutory authority, RSMo. 34.076 and 34.350 to 34.359, a preference will be given to materials, products, supplies, provisions and all other articles produced, manufactured, made or grown within the State of Missouri. Such preference shall be given when quality is equal or better and delivered price is the same or less.
 - 1) If attached, the document entitled "PREFERENCE IN PURCHASING PRODUCTS" should be completed and returned with the solicitation documents.
 - 2) If attached, the document entitled "MISSOURI DOMESTIC PRODUCTS PROCUREMENT ACT" should be completed and returned with the solicitation documents. Applies if bid is Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) or more.
- c. By virtue of statutory authority, RSMo 34.074, a preference will be given all contracts for the performance of any job or service to service-disabled veteran business either doing business as Missouri firms, corporations, or individuals; or which maintain Missouri offices or places of business, when the quality of performance promised is equal or better and the price quoted is the same or less or whenever competing bids, in their entirety, are comparable.
 - 1) If attached, the document entitled "MISSOURI SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN PREFERENCE" should be completed and returned with the solicitation documents.
- d. In the event of a tie of low bids, the MHTC reserves the right to establish the method to be used in determining the award

Remedies and Rights

- a. No provision in the contract shall be construed, expressly or implied, as a waiver by the MHTC of any existing or future right and/or remedy available by law in the event of any claim by the MHTC of the Contractor's default or breach of contract.
- b. The Contractor agrees and understands that the contract shall constitute an assignment by the Contractor to the MHTC of all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action that the Contractor may have under the antitrust laws of the United States or State of Missouri for which causes of action have accrued or will accrue as the result of or in relation to the particular equipment, supplies, and/or services purchased or produced by the Contractor in the fulfillment of the contract with the MHTC.
- c. In the event a Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or supplier as a result of such direction, the Contractor may request MoDOT to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the MHTC, and, in addition, the Contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

Cancellation of Contract

- a. The MHTC may cancel the contract at any time for a material breach of contractual obligations or for convenience by providing the Contractor with written notice of cancellation. Should the MHTC exercise its right to cancel the contract for such reasons, cancellation will become effective upon the date specified in the notice of cancellation sent to the Contractor.
- b. If the MHTC cancels the contract for breach, the MHTC reserves the right to obtain the equipment, supplies, and/or services to be provided pursuant to the contract from other sources and upon such terms and in such manner as the MHTC deems appropriate and charge the Contractor for any additional costs incurred thereby.

Bankruptcy or Insolvency

- a. Upon filing for any bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding by or against the Contractor, whether voluntary or involuntary, or upon the appointment of a receiver, trustee, or assigned the benefit or creditors, the Contractor must notify MoDOT immediately. Upon learning of any such actions, the MHTC reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to either cancel the contract or affirm the contract and hold the Contractor responsible for damages.

Inventions, Patents, and Copyrights

- a. The Contractor shall defend, protect, and hold harmless the MHTC, its officers, agents, and employees against all suits of law or in equity resulting from patent and copyright infringement concerning the Contractor's performance or products produced under the terms of the contract.

Inspection and Acceptance

- a. No equipment, supplies, and/or services received by MoDOT pursuant to a contract shall be deemed accepted until MoDOT has had reasonable opportunity to inspect said equipment, supplies, and/or services.
- b. All equipment, supplies, and/or services which do not comply with the specifications and/or requirements or which are otherwise unacceptable or defective may be rejected. In addition, all equipment, supplies, and/or services which are discovered to be defective or which do not conform to any warranty of the Contractor upon inspection (or at any later time if the defects contained were not reasonably ascertainable upon the initial inspection) may be rejected.
- c. The MHTC reserves the right to return any such rejected shipment at the Contractor's expense for full credit or replacement and to specify a reasonable date by which replacements must be received.
- d. The MHTC's right to reject any unacceptable equipment, supplies, and/or services shall not exclude any other legal, equitable or contractual remedies the MHTC may have.

Warranty

- a. The Contractor expressly warrants that all equipment, supplies, and/or services provided shall: (1) conform to each and every specification, drawing, sample or other description which was furnished to or adopted by MoDOT, (2) be fit and sufficient for the purpose expressed in the solicitation documents, (3) be merchantable, (4) be of good materials and workmanship, and (5) be free from defect.

- b. Such warranty shall survive delivery and shall not be deemed waived either by reason of the MHTC's acceptance of or payment for said equipment, supplies, and/or services.

Status of Independent Contractor

- a. The Contractor represents itself to be an independent Contractor offering such services to the general public and shall not represent itself or its employees to be an employee of the MHTC. Therefore, the Contractor shall assume all legal and financial responsibility for taxes, FICA, employee fringe benefits, workers' compensation, employee insurance, minimum wage requirements, overtime, etc., and agrees to indemnify, save and hold the MHTC, its officers, agents and employees harmless from and against any and all losses (including attorney fees) and damage of any kind related to such matters.

Indemnification

- a. The Offeror shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Commission, including its members and department employees, from any claim or liability whether based on a claim for damages to real or personal property or to a person for any matter relating to or arising out of the Offeror's performance of its obligations under this Agreement.