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Mechanical, Plumbing, HVAC, Electrical Engineering Service: Pre-positioned Federal  
Engineers and Associates, LLC.

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**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT**

This PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT is made and entered into between the Board of County Commissioners of LEE COUNTY, a political subdivision of the STATE OF FLORIDA hereinafter referred to as the "COUNTY", and Engineers and Associates, LLC, hereinafter referred to as the "CONSULTANT".

**WITNESSETH**

WHEREAS, the COUNTY desires to obtain the professional services of said CONSULTANT to provide and perform professional services as further described hereinafter concerning the Project to be referred to and identified as: Mechanical, Plumbing, HVAC and Electrical Engineering Services: Pre-positioned Federal; and

WHEREAS, the CONSULTANT hereby certifies that CONSULTANT has been granted and possesses valid, current licenses to do business in the State of Florida and in Lee County, Florida, issued by the respective State Boards and Government Agencies responsible for regulating and licensing the professional services to be provided and performed by the CONSULTANT pursuant to this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the CONSULTANT has reviewed the professional services required pursuant to this Agreement and is qualified, willing and able to provide and perform all such services in accordance with the provisions, conditions and terms hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS, the selection and engagement of the CONSULTANT has been made by the COUNTY in accordance with the provisions of the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act, Chapter 287.055, Florida Statutes, and in accordance with applicable Lee County Administrative Codes.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants, terms and provisions contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

**ARTICLE 1.00 - SCOPE OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

CONSULTANT hereby agrees to provide and perform the professional services required and necessary to complete the services and work as set forth in attached EXHIBIT "A", entitled "SCOPE OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES".

**ARTICLE 2.00 - DEFINITIONS**

The following definition of terms associated with this Agreement is provided to establish a common understanding between both parties to this Agreement as to the intended usage, application, and interpretation of such terms pertaining to this Agreement.

**2.01 COUNTY**

The term COUNTY refers to the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, a charter County and political subdivision of the State of Florida, and any official or employee duly authorized to act on the COUNTY'S behalf relative to this Agreement.

**2.02 CONSULTANT**

The term CONSULTANT refers to the individual or firm offering professional services that, by execution of this Agreement, is legally obligated, responsible, and liable for providing and performing any and all of the services, work and materials, including services and/or work of sub-consultants and subcontractors,

required under the covenants, terms and provisions contained in this Agreement.

### 2.03 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

The term PROFESSIONAL SERVICES refers to all of the services, work, materials and related professional, technical and administrative activities to be provided and performed by the CONSULTANT and its employees, including all sub-consultants and subcontractors engaged by the CONSULTANT, to complete the services required pursuant to the covenants, terms and provisions of this Agreement.

### 2.04 SUB-CONSULTANT

The term SUB-CONSULTANT refers to any individual or firm offering professional services that is engaged by the CONSULTANT to assist in providing and performing the professional services, work and materials for which the CONSULTANT is contractually obligated, responsible and liable to provide and perform under this Agreement. The COUNTY may not be deemed a party to, responsible or liable for, or assume any obligation whatsoever with respect to any Agreement between the CONSULTANT and any SUB-CONSULTANT.

### 2.05 SUBCONTRACTOR

The term SUBCONTRACTOR refers to any individual, company or firm providing services other than professional services that is engaged by the CONSULTANT to assist in providing and performing services, work and materials for which the CONSULTANT is contractually obligated, responsible, and liable to provide and perform under this Agreement. The COUNTY may not be deemed a party to, responsible or liable for, or assume any obligation whatsoever for any Agreement between the CONSULTANT and any SUBCONTRACTOR.

### 2.06 PROJECT

The term PROJECT refers to such facility, system, program or item as described in the summary statement set forth in the Preamble on Page One of this Agreement.

### 2.07 BASIC SERVICES

The term BASIC SERVICES refers to the professional services set forth and required pursuant to this Agreement as described in further detail in the attached EXHIBIT "A".

### 2.08 ADDITIONAL SERVICES

The term ADDITIONAL SERVICES refers to such professional services the COUNTY may request and authorize, in writing, for the CONSULTANT to provide and perform relative to this Agreement that are not included in the BASIC SERVICES. Additional services must be authorized by both parties through execution of a Change Order to this Agreement.

### 2.09 CHANGE ORDER

The term CHANGE ORDER refers to a written document, CHANGE ORDER AGREEMENT, executed by both parties to this Agreement setting forth and authorizing changes to the agreed upon Scope of Professional Services and Tasks, Compensation and Method of Payment, Time and Schedule of Performance, or Project Guidelines and Criteria as such were set forth and agreed to in the initial AGREEMENT, SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS, or previous CHANGE ORDERS issued thereto. The CHANGE ORDER document, which must be executed on a Lee County standard form, will set forth the authorized changes to the: scope of professional services, tasks, work, or materials to be performed or provided by the CONSULTANT; the compensation and method of payment; the schedule or time period for performance and completion; and the guidelines, criteria and requirements pertaining thereto.

CHANGE ORDERS will be identified as follows: (1) Owner changes: These will be additional services. (2) Changes due to design errors or omissions: Design services for these will be at no cost to the County. Change orders resulting from gross negligence on the part of the CONSULTANT team may be required to be paid for by CONSULTANT in full, including equipment. (3) Changes due to differing site conditions: These will be additional services. The CONSULTANT will review all contract requests for change orders and make recommendations to the County. The CONSULTANT will periodically meet to review Change Orders to determine the nature of the change orders and the proper disposition thereof. The CONSULTANT will not be held liable for costs of that portion of any CHANGE ORDER that the County would have borne in the absence of any error or omission or otherwise results in the “betterment” of the project.

The amount of the change in contract compensation and time set forth in any and all Change Orders executed and issued under this Agreement shall be understood and agreed by both Parties to this Agreement to be fair, equitable, adequate and complete. The changed compensation shall be understood and agreed to be the total of all costs associated with or impacted by the Change Order including, but not limited to any and all direct costs, indirect costs and associated costs that may result from or be caused by the Change Order, and shall be understood and agreed to include a fair, equitable and adequate adjustment to cover the CONSULTANT'S general administrative and overhead costs and profit.

In the event the County decides to delete all, or portions, of the Scope of Services, Tasks, or Requirements set forth in the initial Agreement, Supplemental Task Authorization or previously authorized Change Order, the COUNTY may do so by the unilateral issuance of a written Change Order to the CONSULTANT. Such a unilaterally issued Change Order shall set forth, if appropriate: (1) an agreement by both the COUNTY and the CONSULTANT establishing changes in the amount of compensation to be paid the CONSULTANT as a result of the deletion or decrease in services required; or, (2) in the absence of such an agreement concerning compensation, the unilaterally issued Change Order shall set forth the basis to be used in subsequently considering, and reaching agreement on change(s) in the compensation to be paid the CONSULTANT. The failure on the part of the CONSULTANT to execute a Change Order issued unilaterally by the COUNTY to affect a deletion or decrease in the services required shall have no effect on or otherwise prevent the COUNTY from exercising its rights to direct the stated deletion or decrease in the services to be provided or performed by the CONSULTANT.

Should errors, omissions or conflicts in the drawings, specification or other Contract Documents prepared by or through the CONSULTANT be discovered, the CONSULTANT will prepare and submit to the County, within five (5) calendar days unless otherwise authorized by the County, such amendments or supplementary documents to address the errors, omissions or conflicts, and provide consultation as may be required, for which the CONSULTANT will make no additional charges to the County.

## 2.10 COUNTY WORK AUTHORIZATION

The term County Work Authorization as used refers to a written document executed by both parties to an existing Professional Services Agreement, or Service Provider Agreement, setting forth and authorizing a limited number of Professional Services, tasks, or work. Such County Work Authorizations are consistent with and have previously been included within the scope of services in the initial Professional Services Agreement, or Service Provider Agreement, for which authorization has not been previously given or budgeted. A County Work Authorization may consist of a Purchase Order, County Project Authorization, Supplemental Task Authorization, or equivalent.

## 2.11 DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR

The term DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR refers to the Director of the Department requesting the service, employed by the Lee County Board of County Commissioners to serve and act on the COUNTY'S behalf, as it relates to this Project. The Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, or designated representative, shall act on behalf of the COUNTY to execute any and all CHANGE ORDERS or SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS approved by the COUNTY and issued to the CONSULTANT pursuant to this

Agreement. The DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR, within the authority conferred by the Board of County Commissioners, acting as the COUNTY'S designated representative, shall issue written notification to the CONSULTANT of any and all changes approved by the COUNTY in the CONSULTANT'S: (1) compensation; (2) time and/or schedule of service delivery; (3) scope of services; or, (4) other changes relative to BASIC SERVICES and ADDITIONAL SERVICES pursuant to this Agreement, including CHANGE ORDERS or SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS pertaining thereto. The DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR is responsible for acting on the COUNTY'S behalf to administer, coordinate, interpret and otherwise manage the contractual provisions and requirements set forth in this Agreement, including approved CHANGE ORDERS or SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS.

#### 2.12 PROJECT MANAGER

The term PROJECT MANAGER refers to the person employed or retained by the COUNTY and designated, in writing, to serve and act on the COUNTY'S behalf to provide direct contact and communication between the COUNTY and CONSULTANT with respect to providing information, assistance, guidance, coordination, review, approval and acceptance of the professional services, work and materials to be provided and performed by the CONSULTANT pursuant to this Agreement and duly approved SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS and CHANGE ORDERS. The PROJECT MANAGER is not authorized to and may not issue any verbal, or written, request or instruction to the CONSULTANT that would have the effect, or be interpreted to have the effect, of modifying or changing in any way whatsoever the: (1) Scope of Services to be provided and performed by the CONSULTANT; (2) The time the CONSULTANT is obligated to commence and complete all such services; or, (3) The amount of compensation the COUNTY is obligated or committed to pay the CONSULTANT. The PROJECT MANAGER will review and make appropriate recommendations on all requests submitted by the CONSULTANT for payment for services and work provided and performed, and reimbursable costs and expenses as provided for in this Agreement, CHANGE ORDERS or SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS.

#### 2.13 LUMP SUM FEES

Lump Sum Fees, hereinafter identified as L.S., are understood and agreed to include all direct and indirect labor costs, personnel related costs, overhead and administrative costs, costs of sub-consultants and/or subcontractors, out-of-pocket expenses and costs, professional service fees and any other costs or expenses which may pertain to the services and/or work to be performed, provided and/or furnished by the Consultant as may be required and/or necessary to complete each and every task set forth in the Scope of Professional Services, Exhibit "A", or as may be set in subsequent Supplemental Task Authorizations, and/or Change Orders agreed to in writing by both parties to this Agreement.

#### 2.14 NOT-TO-EXCEED FEES

When all, or any portion, of the CONSULTANT'S compensation to provide and perform the services and work necessary and required pursuant to the Tasks set forth in Agreement Exhibit "A", and any Change Orders, Supplemental Task Authorizations, and Work Orders authorized thereto, is established to be made on a NOT-TO-EXCEED (N.T.E.) amount basis, it is mutually understood and agreed that such compensation for each completed Task will be made on the following basis:

For the actual hours necessary, required and expended by the CONSULTANT'S professional and technical personnel, multiplied by the applicable hourly rates for each classification or position as set forth in Attachment No. 1 to Exhibit "B", as attached, and any approved Change Orders or Supplemental Task Authorizations; and

For the actual necessary, required and expended non-personnel reimbursable expenses and costs, multiplied by the applicable "Basis of Charges" for each item as set forth in Attachment No. 2 to Exhibit "B", as attached, and any approved Change Orders or Supplemental Task Authorizations; and



For the actual, necessary, and required hours, and non-personnel expenses and costs, expended by Sub-Consultants and SubContractors engaged by the CONSULTANT, multiplied by such hourly rates and unit costs as are agreed to by the COUNTY and the CONSULTANT and as are set forth as a part of this Agreement and any approved Change Orders or Supplemental Task Authorizations; and

With the understanding and agreement that the COUNTY will pay the CONSULTANT for all such costs and expenses within the established Not-to-Exceed amount for each Task or Sub-Task subject to the CONSULTANT presenting an itemized and detailed invoice with appropriate supporting documentation attached thereto to show evidence satisfactory to the COUNTY covering all such costs and expenses; and

With the understanding and agreement that the CONSULTANT'S invoices and all payments to be made for all Not-to-Exceed amounts will be subject to the review, acceptance and approval of the COUNTY; and with the understanding and agreement that when the CONSULTANT'S compensation is established on a Not-to-Exceed basis for a specific Task or Sub-Task, the total amount of compensation to be paid the CONSULTANT to cover all personnel costs, non-personnel reimbursable expenses and costs, and Sub-Consultant and SubContractor costs for any such specific Tasks or Sub-Tasks shall not exceed the amount of the total Not-to-Exceed compensation established and agreed to for each specific Task or Sub-Task. In the event the amount of compensation for any Task or Sub-Task to which the CONSULTANT is entitled on the Not-to-Exceed basis set forth above is determined to be necessary, required and actually expended and is determined to be actually less than the Not-to-Exceed amount established for the specific Task or Sub-Task, it is understood and agreed that any unexpended amount under a specific Task or Sub-Task may not be used, applied, transferred, invoiced or paid for services or work provided or performed on any other Task or Sub-Task.

**ARTICLE 3.00 - OBLIGATIONS OF THE CONSULTANT**

The obligations of the CONSULTANT with respect to all the BASIC SERVICES and ADDITIONAL SERVICES authorized pursuant to this Agreement include, but are not limited to, the following:

**3.01 LICENSES**

The CONSULTANT agrees to obtain and maintain throughout the period this Agreement is in effect all such licenses as are required to do business in the State of Florida and in Lee County, Florida, including, but not limited to, licenses required by the respective State Boards and other governmental agencies responsible for regulating and licensing the professional services provided and performed by the CONSULTANT pursuant to this Agreement.

**3.02 PERSONNEL**

(1) **QUALIFIED PERSONNEL**

The CONSULTANT agrees when the services to be provided and performed relate to a professional service that, under Florida Statutes, requires a license, certificate of authorization or other form of legal entitlement to practice such services, to employ and/or retain only qualified personnel to be in responsible charge of all BASIC SERVICES and ADDITIONAL SERVICES to be provided pursuant to this Agreement.

(2) **CONSULTANT'S PROJECT DIRECTOR**

The CONSULTANT agrees to employ and designate, in writing, a qualified and, if required by law, a licensed professional to serve as the CONSULTANT'S Project Director. The CONSULTANT'S Project Director shall be authorized and responsible to act on behalf of the CONSULTANT with respect to directing, coordinating and administering all aspects of the services to be provided and performed under this Agreement thereto. The CONSULTANT'S Project Director shall have full authority to bind and obligate the CONSULTANT on any matter arising under this Agreement unless substitute arrangements have been furnished to the COUNTY in writing. The CONSULTANT agrees that the Project Director shall devote whatever time is required to satisfactorily direct, supervise and manage the services provided and performed by the CONSULTANT throughout the entire period this Agreement is in effect. The person selected by the CONSULTANT to serve as the CONSULTANT'S Project Director shall be subject to the prior approval and acceptance of the COUNTY.

(3) REMOVAL OF PERSONNEL

The CONSULTANT agrees, within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of a written request from the COUNTY, to promptly remove and replace the CONSULTANT'S Project Director, or any other personnel employed or retained by the CONSULTANT, or personnel of the sub-consultants or subcontractors engaged by the CONSULTANT to provide and/or perform services and/or work pursuant to the requirements of this Agreement, who the COUNTY shall request, in writing, be removed, which request may be made by the COUNTY with or without cause. However, if day thirty (30) falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or Lee County recognized holiday, the deadline shall fall to the next Monday or non-Lee County recognized holiday.

(4) BACKGROUND SCREENING OF PERSONNEL

The CONSULTANT shall comply with the Consultant Background Screening Affidavit attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit I.

3.03 TIMELY ACCOMPLISHMENT OF SERVICES

The timely performance and completion of the required services, work and materials is vitally important to the interests of the COUNTY. Time is of the essence for all of the duties and obligations contained in this Agreement thereto. The COUNTY may suffer damages in the event that the CONSULTANT does not accomplish and complete the required services in a timely manner. The CONSULTANT agrees to employ, engage, retain and/or assign an adequate number of personnel throughout the period of this Agreement so that all BASIC SERVICES and ADDITIONAL SERVICES will be provided, performed, and completed in a timely and diligent manner throughout.

3.04 STANDARDS OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

The work and/or services to be provided and/or performed by the CONSULTANT and by any Sub-Consultants and/or SubContractors engaged by the CONSULTANT as set forth in the Scope of Professional Services, Exhibit "A", shall be done in accordance with the generally accepted standards of professional practice and in accordance with the laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, codes, policies, standards or other guidelines issued by those governmental agencies which have jurisdiction over all or a portion of this project and which are in effect at the time the COUNTY approves this Agreement, or which may subsequently be changed or revised. Any subsequent change or revision to such laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, codes, policies, standards or other guidelines which requires the CONSULTANT to provide and/or perform work and/or services which are significantly different from that set forth in the Scope of Professional Services,

Exhibit "A", shall serve as a basis for the COUNTY to consider the development and issuance of a Change Order to provide for a change to, or Additional Services to the services set forth in the Agreement.

### 3.05 CORRECTION OF ERRORS, OMISSIONS OR OTHER DEFICIENCIES

#### (1) RESPONSIBILITY TO CORRECT

The CONSULTANT agrees to be responsible for the professional quality, technical adequacy and accuracy, timely completion, and the coordination of all data, studies, surveys, designs, specifications, calculations, estimates, plans, drawings, construction documents, photographs, reports, memoranda, other documents and instruments, and other services, work and materials performed, provided, and/or furnished by CONSULTANT or by any sub-consultants and/or subcontractors retained or engaged by the CONSULTANT pursuant to this Agreement. The CONSULTANT shall, without additional compensation, correct or revise any errors, omissions or other deficiencies in such data, studies, surveys, designs, specifications, calculations, estimates, plans, drawings, construction documents and instruments, and other services, work and materials resulting from the negligent act, errors or omissions or intentional misconduct of CONSULTANT or any sub-consultants or subcontractors engaged by the CONSULTANT.

#### (2) COUNTY'S APPROVAL SHALL NOT RELIEVE CONSULTANT OF RESPONSIBILITY

Neither review, approval, or acceptance by the COUNTY of data, studies, surveys, designs, specifications, calculations, estimates, plans, drawings, construction documents, photographs, reports, memoranda, other documents and instruments, and incidental professional services, work and materials furnished hereunder by the CONSULTANT, or any sub-consultants or subcontractors engaged by the CONSULTANT, shall in any way relieve CONSULTANT of responsibility for the adequacy, completeness and accuracy of its services, work and materials and the services, work and materials of any and all sub-consultants and/or subcontractors engaged by the CONSULTANT to provide and perform services in connection with this Agreement. Neither the COUNTY'S review, approval or acceptance of, nor payment for, any of the CONSULTANT'S services, work and materials shall be construed to operate as a waiver of any of the COUNTY'S rights under this Agreement, or any cause of action it may have arising out of the performance of this Agreement.

### 3.06 LIABILITY

#### (1) CONSULTANT TO HOLD COUNTY HARMLESS

Consistent with the provisions of FS s. 725.08, CONSULTANT agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the COUNTY, its officers and employees, from liabilities, damages, losses and costs, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness, or intentionally wrongful conduct of the CONSULTANT and other persons employed or utilized by the CONSULTANT, including, but not limited to sub-consultants, sub-contractors and materialmen, in the performance of this contract, including any Change Orders or Supplemental Task Authorizations. CONSULTANT and COUNTY agree that the monetary limitation on the indemnification provided under this contract is limited to the full amount of the contract award (i.e. Compensation to be paid Consultant as set forth in the attached Exhibit B), including any sums added or subtracted from the contract award through Change Orders or Supplemental Task Authorizations. Consistent with FS s. 768.28, COUNTY agrees that CONSULTANT will not be liable for damages arising out of the negligence of the COUNTY, its officers, or employees.

### 3.07 NOT TO DIVULGE CERTAIN INFORMATION

CONSULTANT agrees, during the term of this Agreement, not to divulge, furnish or make available to any third person, firm, or organization, without COUNTY'S prior written consent, or unless incident to the proper performance of CONSULTANT'S obligations hereunder, or in the course of judicial or legislative proceedings where such information has been properly subpoenaed, any non-public information concerning the services to be rendered by CONSULTANT or any sub-consultants or subcontractors pursuant to this Agreement. CONSULTANT shall require all of its employees, sub-consultants and subcontractors to comply with the provisions of this paragraph.

### 3.08 CONSULTANT TO REPAIR PROPERTY DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE CONSULTANT

CONSULTANT agrees to promptly repair and/or replace, or cause to have repaired and/or replaced, at its sole cost and expense and in a manner acceptable to and approved by the COUNTY, any property damage arising out of, or caused by, the willful or negligent acts of the CONSULTANT, or of its sub-consultants and/or subcontractors. This CONSULTANT'S obligation under this sub-article does not apply to property damage caused by any other Consultant or Contractor engaged directly by the COUNTY.

The COUNTY reserves the right, should the CONSULTANT fail to make such repairs and/or replacement within a reasonable period of time, to cause such repairs and/or replacement to be made by others and for all costs and expenses associated with having such repairs and/or replacement done to be paid for by the CONSULTANT, or by the CONSULTANT reimbursing the COUNTY for all such costs and expenses.

### 3.09 RESPONSIBILITY FOR ESTIMATES

(1) In the event the services required pursuant to this Agreement include the CONSULTANT preparing and submitting cost estimates to the COUNTY, the CONSULTANT, by exercise of their experience, effort, knowledge and judgment, shall develop such cost estimates as are set forth in, or as may be required under the Agreement. Any opinions or estimates of probable construction costs to be provided under this Agreement by the CONSULTANT are to be made or reviewed on the basis of CONSULTANT'S experience and qualifications and represent the CONSULTANT'S judgment as an experienced and qualified professional, familiar generally with the construction industry. The COUNTY agrees that the CONSULTANT has no control over the cost of labor, materials, equipment or services furnished by others or control over competitive bidding or market conditions, nor the Contractor's methods of determining prices. Therefore, CONSULTANT cannot and does not guarantee that proposals, bids or actual final construction costs will not vary from the opinions or estimates prepared or reviewed by the CONSULTANT. COUNTY may choose to employ an independent cost estimator in order to achieve greater assurance of actual construction costs.

### 3.10 PERMITS

The CONSULTANT will be responsible for preparing and submitting all required applications and other supportive information necessary to assist the COUNTY in obtaining all reviews, approvals and permits, with respect to the CONSULTANT'S design, drawings and specifications required by any governmental body having authority over the project. Any fees required for such reviews, approvals or permits will be covered by a check issued by the COUNTY and made payable to the respective governmental body upon the CONSULTANT furnishing the COUNTY satisfactory documentation of such fees. The CONSULTANT will be similarly responsible for preparing and submitting all required applications and other supportive information necessary to assist the COUNTY in obtaining any renewals and/or extensions of reviews, approvals or permits that may be required while this Agreement is in effect. The COUNTY shall, at the

CONSULTANT'S request, assist in obtaining required signatures and provide the CONSULTANT with all information known to be available to the COUNTY so as to assist the CONSULTANT in the preparation and submittal of any original, renewal or extension of required reviews, approvals or permits.

### 3.11 ADDITIONAL SERVICES

Should the COUNTY request the CONSULTANT to provide and perform professional services for this project which are not set forth in EXHIBIT "A", the CONSULTANT agrees to provide and perform such ADDITIONAL SERVICES as may be agreed to in writing by both parties to this Agreement. Such ADDITIONAL SERVICES shall constitute a continuation of the professional services covered under this Agreement and shall be provided and performed in accordance with the covenants, terms, and provisions set forth in this Agreement thereto.

ADDITIONAL SERVICES shall be administered and authorized as "SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS" or "CHANGE ORDERS" under the Agreement. The CONSULTANT shall not provide or perform, nor shall the COUNTY incur or accept any obligation to compensate the CONSULTANT for any ADDITIONAL SERVICES unless and until a written "SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS" or "CHANGE ORDER" shall have been agreed to and executed by both parties.

Each such "SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATION" or "CHANGE ORDER" shall set forth a comprehensive, detailed description of: (1) the Scope of the ADDITIONAL SERVICES requested; (2) the basis of compensation; and, (3) the period of time and/or schedule for performing and completing said ADDITIONAL SERVICES.

### 3.12 TRUTH-IN-NEGOTIATIONS CERTIFICATE

The COUNTY may request the CONSULTANT to execute a Truth-in-Negotiations Certificate ("Certificate"), in a form attached as EXHIBIT "F". The Certificate shall state that wage rates and other factual unit costs supporting the compensation are accurate, complete and current at the time this Agreement is executed. The original contract price and any additions thereto shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which the COUNTY determines the contract price was increased due to inaccurate, incomplete or non-current wage rates or other factual unit costs.

### 3.13 COMPLETION OF TASKS

Unless otherwise set forth in the Agreement the CONSULTANT shall be responsible for providing and performing whatever services, work, equipment, material, personnel, supplies, facilities, transportation, and administrative support that are necessary and required to complete all of the tasks set forth in Agreement Exhibit "A" entitled "Scope of Professional Services" and Change Orders, and Supplemental Task Authorizations authorized. The compensation to be paid the CONSULTANT as set forth in Agreement Exhibit "B" entitled "Compensation and Method of Payment" and Change Orders, and Supplemental Task Authorizations authorized thereto shall be understood and agreed to adequately and completely compensate the CONSULTANT for providing and performing whatever services, work, equipment, material, personnel, supplies, facilities, transportation and administrative support that are necessary and required to complete the tasks set forth in Agreement Exhibit "A" and Change Orders, Supplemental Task Authorizations, and Work Orders authorized thereto as stated above."

## **ARTICLE 4.00 - OBLIGATIONS OF THE COUNTY**

#### 4.01 DESIGNATION OF PROJECT MANAGER

The COUNTY agrees after the execution of this Agreement to promptly advise the CONSULTANT, in writing, of the person designated to serve and act as the COUNTY'S PROJECT MANAGER pursuant to the provisions of Article 2.13 of this Agreement. Such notification shall be provided to the CONSULTANT by the COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR.

#### 4.02 AVAILABILITY OF COUNTY INFORMATION

##### (1) PROJECT GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA

Guidelines to the CONSULTANT regarding requirements the COUNTY has established or suggests relative to the Project including, but not limited to such items as: goals, objectives, constraints, and any special financial, budgeting, space, site, operational, equipment, technical, construction, time and scheduling criteria are set forth in attached EXHIBIT "E", entitled "PROJECT GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA".

##### (2) COUNTY TO PROVIDE PERTINENT REFERENCE MATERIAL

At the CONSULTANT'S request, the COUNTY agrees to provide to the CONSULTANT, at no cost to the CONSULTANT, all pertinent information known to be available to the COUNTY to assist the CONSULTANT in providing and performing the required professional services. Such information may include, but not be limited to: previous reports; plans, drawings and specifications; maps; property, boundary, easement, right-of-way, topographic, reference monuments, control points, plats and related survey data; data prepared or services furnished by others to the COUNTY such as sub-surface investigations, laboratory tests, inspections of natural and man-made materials, property appraisals, studies, designs and reports.

#### 4.03 AVAILABILITY OF COUNTY'S DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES

The COUNTY agrees that the DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR and the PROJECT MANAGER shall be available within a reasonable period of time, with reasonable prior notice given by the CONSULTANT, to meet and/or consult with the CONSULTANT on matters pertaining to the services to be provided and performed by the CONSULTANT. The COUNTY further agrees to respond within a reasonable period of time to written requests submitted by the CONSULTANT.

#### 4.04 ACCESS TO COUNTY PROPERTY

The COUNTY agrees, with reasonable prior written notice given by the CONSULTANT, to provide the CONSULTANT with access within a reasonable period of time to COUNTY property, facilities, buildings and structures to enable the CONSULTANT to provide and perform the required professional services and work pursuant to this Agreement. Such rights of access shall not be exercised in such a manner or to such an extent as to impede or interfere with COUNTY operations, or the operations carried on by others under a lease, or other contractual arrangement with the COUNTY, or in such a manner as to adversely affect the public health and safety. Such access may, or may not be, within the CONSULTANT'S normal office and/or field workdays and/or work hours.

### **ARTICLE 5.00 - COMPENSATION AND METHOD OF PAYMENT**

#### 5.01 BASIC SERVICES

The COUNTY will pay the CONSULTANT for all requested and authorized BASIC SERVICES

rendered hereunder by the CONSULTANT and completed in accordance with the requirements, provisions, and/or terms of this Agreement and accepted by the COUNTY in accordance with the provisions for compensation and payment of said BASIC SERVICES as set forth and prescribed in attached EXHIBIT "B", or on the basis of such changes to the established compensation as may be mutually agreed to by both parties to this Agreement and evidenced by a written and duly approved Change Order.

### 5.02 ADDITIONAL SERVICES

The COUNTY will pay the CONSULTANT for all ADDITIONAL SERVICES that have been requested and authorized by the COUNTY and agreed to, in writing, by both parties to this Agreement and which have been rendered as ADDITIONAL SERVICES by the CONSULTANT and completed in accordance with the requirements, provisions, and/or terms of this Agreement and accepted by the COUNTY in accordance with the provisions for compensation and payment of said ADDITIONAL SERVICES as set forth and prescribed in attached EXHIBIT "B" or on the basis of such changes to the established compensation as may be mutually agreed to by both parties to this Agreement as evidenced by a written Change Order or Supplemental Task Authorization executed by both parties.

### 5.03 METHOD OF PAYMENT

#### (1) MONTHLY STATEMENTS

The CONSULTANT is entitled to submit no more than one invoice statement to the COUNTY each calendar month covering services rendered during the preceding calendar month. The CONSULTANT'S invoice statements must be itemized to correspond to the basis of compensation as set forth in the Agreement, CHANGE ORDERS, or SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS. The CONSULTANT'S invoice statements must contain a breakdown of charges, description of services and work provided and/or performed, and where appropriate, supportive documentation of charges consistent with the basis of compensation set forth in the Agreement, CHANGE ORDERS, and/or SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS.

#### (2) PAYMENT FOR SERVICES PERFORMED

The COUNTY shall pay the CONSULTANT for services performed using either of the following methods, or using a combination thereof:

- (A) The COUNTY shall pay the CONSULTANT on the basis of services completed for tasks set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B", as evidenced by work products such as reports, drawings, specifications, etc., submitted by the CONSULTANT and accepted by the COUNTY. No payments shall be made for CONSULTANT'S Work-in-Progress until service items for which payment amounts have been established and set forth in this Agreement have been completed by the CONSULTANT and accepted by the COUNTY. Whenever an invoice statement covers services for which no work product is required to be furnished by the CONSULTANT to the COUNTY, the COUNTY reserves the right to retain five percent (5%) of the amount invoiced until such service requirements are fully completed.
- (B) The COUNTY shall pay the CONSULTANT for services performed for tasks set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B" on the basis of an invoice statement covering CONSULTANT'S Work-in-Progress expressed as a percentage of the total cost of the service and/or work required for each task invoiced in this manner. All such Work-in-Progress percentages are subject to the review and approval of the COUNTY. The decision of the COUNTY shall be final as to the Work-in-Progress percentages paid. Payment by the COUNTY for tasks on a Work-in-Progress percentage basis shall not be deemed or interpreted in any way to constitute an approval or acceptance by the COUNTY of any such service

or Work-in-Progress. The CONSULTANT shall be responsible for correcting, re-doing, modifying or otherwise completing the services and work required for each task before receiving final, full payment whether or not previous Work-in-Progress payments have been made. All tasks to be paid for on a Work-in-Progress percentage basis shall be agreed to by both parties to the Agreement and each task to be paid in this manner shall be identified in Exhibit "B" with the notation (WIPP). Only tasks so identified will be paid on a Work-in-Progress percentage basis. The COUNTY reserves the right to retain five percent (5%) of the amount invoiced until such service requirements are fully completed.

### (3) PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Payment will be made upon receipt of a proper invoice and in compliance with FL § Chapter 218, otherwise known as the "Florida Prompt Payment Act," and, pursuant to the Lee County Board of County Commissioners payment policies as described herein. Should the COUNTY object or take exception to the amount of any CONSULTANT'S invoice statement, the COUNTY shall notify the CONSULTANT of such objection or exception within the payment period set forth hereinbefore. If such objection or exception remains unresolved at the end of the payment period, the COUNTY shall withhold the disputed amount and make payment to the CONSULTANT of the amount not in dispute. Payment of any disputed amount, or adjustments thereto, shall be made within forty-five (45) calendar days of the date such disputed amount is resolved by mutual agreement of the parties to this Agreement. However, if day forty-five (45) falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or Lee County recognized holiday, the deadline shall fall to the next Monday or non-Lee County recognized holiday.

#### 5.04 PAYMENT WHEN SERVICES ARE TERMINATED AT THE CONVENIENCE OF THE COUNTY

In the event of termination of this Agreement at the convenience of the COUNTY, not at the fault of the CONSULTANT, the COUNTY shall compensate the CONSULTANT only for: (1) all services performed prior to the effective date of termination; (2) reimbursable expenses then due; and, (3) reasonable expenses incurred by the CONSULTANT in affecting the termination of services and work, and incurred by the submittal to the COUNTY of project drawings, plans, data, and other project documents.

#### 5.05 PAYMENT WHEN SERVICES ARE SUSPENDED

In the event the COUNTY suspends the CONSULTANT'S services and work on all or part of the services required to be provided and performed by the CONSULTANT pursuant to this Agreement, the COUNTY shall compensate the CONSULTANT only for the services performed prior to the effective date of suspension and reimbursable expenses, then due and any reasonable expenses incurred or associated with, or as a result of such suspension.

#### 5.06 NON-ENTITLEMENT TO ANTICIPATED FEES IN THE EVENT OF SERVICE TERMINATION, SUSPENSION, ELIMINATION, CANCELLATION AND/OR DECREASE

In the event the services required pursuant to this Agreement are terminated, eliminated, cancelled, or decreased due to: (1) termination; (2) suspension in whole or in part; and, (3) and/or are modified by the subsequent issuance of SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS and/or CHANGE ORDERS, other than receiving the compensation set forth in Sub-Articles 5.04 and 5.05, the CONSULTANT shall not be entitled to receive compensation for anticipated professional fees, profit, general and administrative overhead expenses or for any other anticipated income or expense which may be associated with the services which are terminated, suspended, eliminated, cancelled or decreased.



## **ARTICLE 6.00 - TIME AND SCHEDULE OF PERFORMANCE**

### **6.01 NOTICE TO PROCEED**

Following the award of this Solicitation to the CONSULTANT by the Lee County Board of County Commissioners, and after the CONSULTANT has complied with the insurance requirements set forth hereinafter, the COUNTY shall issue the CONSULTANT a WRITTEN NOTICE TO PROCEED. Following the issuance of such NOTICE TO PROCEED the CONSULTANT shall be authorized to commence work and the CONSULTANT thereafter shall commence work promptly and shall carry on all such services and work as may be required in a timely and diligent manner to completion.

### **6.02 TIME OF PERFORMANCE**

The CONSULTANT agrees to complete the services required pursuant to this Agreement within the time periods for completion of the various phases and/or tasks of the project services set forth and described in this Agreement, as set forth in attached EXHIBIT "C", entitled "TIME AND SCHEDULE OF PERFORMANCE."

Should the CONSULTANT be obstructed or delayed in the prosecution or completion of its obligations under this Agreement as a result of causes beyond the control of the CONSULTANT, or its sub-consultants and/or subcontractors, and not due to their fault or neglect, the CONSULTANT shall notify the COUNTY, in writing, within five (5) calendar days after the commencement of such delay, stating the cause thereof and requesting an extension of the CONSULTANT'S time of performance. Upon receipt of the CONSULTANT'S request for an extension of time, the COUNTY shall grant the extension if the COUNTY determines the delay encountered by the CONSULTANT, or its sub-consultants and/or subcontractors, is due to unforeseen causes and not attributable to their fault or neglect.

### **6.03 CONSULTANT WORK SCHEDULE**

The CONSULTANT is required to prepare and submit to the COUNTY, on a monthly basis commencing with the issuance of the NOTICE TO PROCEED, a CONSULTANT'S WORK SCHEDULE. The WORK SCHEDULE must set forth the time and manpower scheduled for all of the various phases and/or tasks required to provide, perform and complete all of the services and work required for completion of the various phases and/or tasks of the project services as set forth in EXHIBIT "C" in such a manner that the CONSULTANT'S planned and actual work progress can be readily determined. The CONSULTANT'S WORK SCHEDULE of planned and actual work progress must be updated and submitted by the CONSULTANT to the COUNTY on a monthly basis.

### **6.04 FAILURE TO PERFORM IN A TIMELY MANNER**

Should the CONSULTANT fail to commence, provide, perform and/or complete any of the services and work required pursuant to this Agreement in a timely and diligent manner, the COUNTY may consider such failure as justifiable cause to terminate this Agreement. As an alternative to termination, the COUNTY at its option, may, upon written notice to the CONSULTANT, withhold any or all payments due and owing to the CONSULTANT, not to exceed the amount of the compensation for the work in dispute, until such time as the CONSULTANT resumes performance of his obligations in such a manner as to get back on schedule in accordance with the time and schedule of performance requirements set forth in this Agreement, or any CHANGE ORDERS or SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS issued thereto.

**ARTICLE 7.00 - SECURING AGREEMENT**

The CONSULTANT warrants that the CONSULTANT has not employed or retained any company or person other than a bona fide, regular, full time employee working for the CONSULTANT to solicit or secure this Agreement and that the CONSULTANT has not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation or firm other than a bona fide employee working solely for the CONSULTANT any fee, commission, percentage, gift or any other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 8.00 - CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

The CONSULTANT represents that it presently has no interest and shall acquire no interest, either direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner with the performance of services required hereunder. The CONSULTANT further agrees that no person having any such interest shall be employed or engaged by the CONSULTANT for said performance.

If CONSULTANT, for itself and on behalf of its subconsultants, is about to engage in representing another client, which it in good faith believes could result in a conflict of interest with the work being performed by CONSULTANT or such sub-consultant under this Agreement, then it will promptly bring such potential conflict of interest to the COUNTY'S attention, in writing. The COUNTY will advise the CONSULTANT, in writing, within ten (10) calendar days as to the period of time required by the COUNTY to determine if such a conflict of interest exists. However, if day ten (10) falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or Lee County recognized holiday, the deadline shall fall to the next Monday or non-Lee County recognized holiday. If the COUNTY determines that there is a conflict of interest, CONSULTANT or such sub-consultant shall decline the representation upon written notice by the COUNTY.

If the COUNTY determines that there is not such conflict of interest, then the COUNTY shall give its written consent to such representation. If CONSULTANT or sub-consultant accepts such a representation without obtaining the COUNTY'S prior written consent, and if the COUNTY subsequently determines that there is a conflict of interest between such representation and the work being performed by CONSULTANT or such sub-consultant under this Agreement, then the CONSULTANT or such sub-consultant agrees to promptly terminate such representation. CONSULTANT shall require each of such sub-consultants to comply with the provisions of this Section.

Should the CONSULTANT fail to advise or notify the COUNTY as provided hereinabove of representation which could, or does, result in a conflict of interest, or should the CONSULTANT fail to discontinue such representation, the COUNTY may consider such failure as justifiable cause to terminate this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 9.00 - ASSIGNMENT, TRANSFER AND SUBCONTRACTS**

The provisions of this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the respective successors and assignees of the parties hereto. A party to this Agreement shall not sell, transfer, assign, license, franchise, restructure, alter, or change its corporate structure or otherwise part with possession or mortgage, charge or encumber any right or obligation under this Agreement without the proposed assignee and/or party restructuring, altering or changing its corporate structure agreeing in writing with the non-assigning party to observe and perform the terms, conditions and restrictions on the part of the assigning party to this Agreement, whether express or implied, as if the proposed assignee and/or party restructuring, altering or changing its

corporate structure was an original contracting party to this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing provision, the CONSULTANT may assign its rights if given written authorization by the County. Nor shall the CONSULTANT subcontract any of its service obligations hereunder to third parties, except as otherwise authorized in this Agreement thereto, without prior written approval of the COUNTY. The CONSULTANT shall have the right, subject to the COUNTY'S prior written approval, to employ other persons and/or firms to serve as sub-consultants and/or subcontractors to CONSULTANT in connection with CONSULTANT providing and performing services and work pursuant to the requirements of this Agreement. The COUNTY shall have the right and be entitled to withhold such approval. Such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

In providing and performing the services and work required pursuant to this Agreement, CONSULTANT intends to engage the assistance of the sub-consultants and/or subcontractors set forth in attached EXHIBIT "D", entitled "CONSULTANT'S ASSOCIATED SUB-CONSULTANTS AND SUBCONTRACTORS".

### **ARTICLE 10.00 - APPLICABLE LAW**

Unless otherwise specified, this Agreement shall be governed by the laws, rules, and regulations of the State of Florida, or the laws, rules, and regulations of the United States when providing services funded by the United States government.

### **ARTICLE 11.00 - COVENANTS AGAINST DISCRIMINATION**

#### **11.01 FOR PROJECTS WITH FUNDS APPROPRIATED FROM GENERAL LEE COUNTY REVENUES**

The CONSULTANT for itself, its successors in interest, and assigns as part of the consideration thereof, does hereby covenant and agree that in the furnishing of services to COUNTY hereunder, no person on the grounds of race, color, national origin, handicap, or sex shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination. The CONSULTANT shall comply with Lee County's Affirmative Action Plan or state laws in the hiring of sub-consultants. CONSULTANTS who are uncertain of their obligation must obtain a copy of all relevant guidelines concerning Lee County's Affirmative Action Plan from the Lee County Department of Equal Opportunity.

#### **11.02 FOR PROJECTS WITH FUNDS APPROPRIATED EITHER IN PART OR WHOLLY FROM FEDERAL OR STATE SOURCES**

The CONSULTANT for itself, its successors in interest, and assigns as part of the consideration thereof, does hereby covenant and agree that in the furnishing of services to COUNTY hereunder, no person on the grounds of race, color, national origin, handicap, or sex shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination. The CONSULTANT shall make every effort to comply with any Disadvantaged Business Enterprise goals which have been established for this project. CONSULTANTS who are uncertain of their obligations regarding Disadvantaged Business Enterprises for this project must obtain a copy of all relevant federal or state guidelines from the Lee County Department of Equal Opportunity. The failure of the CONSULTANT to adhere to relevant guidelines shall subject the CONSULTANT to any sanctions which may be imposed upon the COUNTY.

### **ARTICLE 12.00 - WAIVER OF BREACH**

Waiver by either party of a breach of any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any other breach and shall not be construed to be a modification of the terms of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 13.00 - INSURANCE**

**13.01 INSURANCE COVERAGE TO BE OBTAINED**

- (1) The CONSULTANT shall obtain and maintain such insurance as will protect him from: (1) claims under workers' compensation laws, disability benefit laws, or other similar employee benefit laws; (2) claims for damages because of bodily injury, occupational sickness or disease or death of his employees including claims insured by usual personal injury liability coverage; (3) claims for damages because of bodily injury, sickness or disease, or death of any person other than his employees including claims insured by usual personal injury liability coverage; and, (4) from claims for injury to or destruction of tangible property including loss of use resulting therefrom; any or all of which claims may arise out of, or result from, the services, work and operations carried out pursuant to and under the requirements of this Agreement, whether such services, work and operations be by the CONSULTANT, its employees, or by any sub-consultants, subcontractors, or anyone employed by or under the supervision of any of them, or for whose acts any of them may be legally liable.
- (2) The insurance protection set forth hereinabove shall be obtained and written for not less than the limits of liability specified hereinafter, or as required by law, whichever is greater.
- (3) The CONSULTANT, throughout the time this Agreement is in effect, shall require and ensure that any and all of its Sub-Consultants and/or SubContractors obtain, have, and maintain the insurance coverages required by law to be provided.
- (4) The CONSULTANT shall obtain, have and maintain during the entire period of this Agreement all such insurance policies as are set forth and required herein.
- (5) In the event that the CONSULTANT engages Sub-Consultants or Sub-Contractors to assist the CONSULTANT in providing or performing services or work pursuant to the requirements of this Agreement, the insurance coverages required under Article 13.03 to be provided by the CONSULTANT shall cover all of the services or work to be provided or performed by all of the Sub-Consultants or SubContractors engaged by the CONSULTANT. However, in the event the services or work of Sub-Consultants or Sub-Contractors engaged by the CONSULTANT is not covered by the CONSULTANT'S INSURANCE POLICY(s), it shall be the responsibility of the CONSULTANT to ensure that all Sub-Consultants or Sub-Contractors have fully complied with the COUNTY insurance requirements for: (1) Worker's Compensation; (2) Commercial General Liability; (3) Commercial Automobile Liability; or, (4) Professional Liability as required and set forth in Agreement Article 13.00.

The services or work to be provided or performed by the following Sub-Consultants or Sub-Contractors identified in Agreement Exhibit "D" are exempted and excluded from the Professional Liability insurance coverage requirements set forth in this Agreement:

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Service and/or work to be Provided and/or Performed	Indicate Name of Individual or Firm
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NONE

- (6) The insurance coverage to be obtained by the CONSULTANT or by Sub-Consultants or Sub-Contractors engaged by the CONSULTANT, as set forth in Agreement Article 13.03 for: (1) Workers' Compensation; (2) Comprehensive General Liability; (3) Comprehensive Automobile Liability; or (4) Professional Liability is understood and agreed to cover any and all of the services or work set forth in Agreement Exhibit "A" and all subsequent Change Orders or Supplemental Task Authorizations. In the event the COUNTY shall execute and issue a written Change Order or Supplemental Task Authorization authorizing the CONSULTANT to provide or perform services or work in addition to those set forth in Agreement Exhibit "A", it is agreed that the COUNTY has the right to change the amount of insurance coverages required to cover the additional services or work. If the additional insurance coverages established exceeds the amount of insurance coverage carried by the CONSULTANT, the compensation established for the Change Order or Supplemental Task Authorization shall include consideration of any increased premium cost incurred by the CONSULTANT to obtain same.

13.02 CONSULTANT REQUIRED TO FILE INSURANCE CERTIFICATE(S)

- (1) The CONSULTANT shall submit to the PROCUREMENT MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT for review by the COUNTY'S RISK MANAGEMENT DIVISION all insurance certificates which are required under this Agreement for review and approval with respect to compliance with the insurance requirements.
- (2) All such insurance certificates shall be in a form and underwritten by an insurance company(s) acceptable to the COUNTY and licensed in the State of Florida.
- (3) Each Certificate of Insurance submitted to the COUNTY shall be an original and shall be executed by an authorized representative of the insurance company affording coverage.
- (4) Each Certificate of Insurance shall be addressed to the Lee County Board of County Commissioners, Attention: Lee County Procurement Management, P O Box 398, Fort Myers, Florida 33902-0398.
- (5) Each Certificate of Insurance shall specifically include all of the following:
- (A) The name and type of policy and coverages provided; and
  - (B) The amount or limit applicable to each coverage provided and the deductible amount, if any, applicable to each type of insurance coverage being provided; and
  - (C) The date of expiration of coverage; and
  - (D) The designation of the Lee County Board of County Commissioners both as an additional insured and as a certificate holder. (This requirement is excepted for Professional Liability Insurance and for Workers' Compensation Insurance); and
  - (E) A statement indicating any services or work included in or required under Agreement Exhibit "A" Scope of Professional Services that is specifically excluded or exempted from coverage under the provisions, terms, conditions or endorsements of the CONSULTANT'S insurance policy. A statement which indicates any and all deductible amounts applicable to each type of

insurance coverage required. In the absence of any such statements, the COUNTY will proceed with the understanding, stipulation and condition that there are no deductible amounts, or exclusions or exemptions to the insurance coverage provided.

- (6) Each Certificate of Insurance shall be issued by an insurance agent and/or agency duly authorized to do so by and on behalf of the insurance company affording the insurance coverage indicated on each Certificate of Insurance.
- (7) If the initial or any subsequently issued Certificate of Insurance expires prior to the completion of the work or termination of this Agreement, the CONSULTANT shall furnish to the COUNTY renewal or replacement Certificate of Insurance, or Certified Binder, not later than fifteen (15) calendar days after the date of their expiration. However, if day fifteen (15) falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or Lee County recognized holiday, the deadline shall fall to the next Monday or non-Lee County recognized holiday. Failure of the CONSULTANT to provide the COUNTY with such renewal certificates shall be considered justification for the COUNTY to terminate this Agreement.
- (8) If any of the insurance coverages required by this Agreement shall reach the date of expiration indicated on the approved Certificates of Insurance without the COUNTY having received satisfactory evidence of renewal or replacement, the CONSULTANT shall automatically and without further notice stop performing all previously authorized services and work. During any time period that the CONSULTANT'S services or work is suspended for failure to comply with the insurance requirements set forth in the Agreement, the CONSULTANT shall not be entitled to any additional compensation or time to provide and perform the required services or work and the COUNTY shall not be required to make payment on any invoices submitted by the CONSULTANT. Upon receipt and approval of renewal or replacement Certificates of Insurance, payment for any such invoices shall be made promptly by the COUNTY.

### 13.03 - INSURANCE COVERAGES REQUIRED

The CONSULTANT shall obtain and maintain the insurance coverages in the type, amounts and in conformance with the minimum requirements provided by Exhibit "G" Insurance.

### ARTICLE 14.00 - DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS IMPOSED ON THE CONSULTANT

The duties and obligations imposed upon the CONSULTANT by this Agreement and the rights and remedies available hereunder shall be in addition to, and not a limitation of, any otherwise imposed or available by law or statute.

### ARTICLE 15.00 - REPRESENTATION OF THE COUNTY

The CONSULTANT in providing and performing the services and work required pursuant to this Agreement thereto shall only represent the COUNTY in the manner and to the extent specifically set forth in writing in this Agreement, and as provided in any written SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATION or CHANGE ORDER issued hereunder.

In the event the CONSULTANT'S services or work involves construction contract administrative support services, the CONSULTANT is not authorized to act on the COUNTY'S behalf, and shall not act on the COUNTY'S behalf, in such a manner as to result in changes to: (1) the cost or compensation to be paid the construction contractor; or, (2) the time for completing the work as required and agreed to in the construction contract; or, (3) the scope of the work set forth in the construction contract documents, unless such

representation is specifically provided for, set forth and authorized in this Agreement or thereto.

The COUNTY will neither assume nor accept any obligation, commitment, responsibility or liability which may result from representation by the CONSULTANT not specifically provided for and authorized as stated hereinabove.

**ARTICLE 16.00 - OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS**

All documents such as drawings, tracings, notes, computer files, photographs, plans, specifications, maps, evaluations, reports and other records and data relating to this project, other than working papers, specifically prepared or developed by the CONSULTANT under this Agreement shall be property of the CONSULTANT until the CONSULTANT has been paid for providing and performing the services and work required to produce such documents.

Upon completion or termination of this Agreement, or upon the issuance by the COUNTY of a written Change Order deleting all or portions of the scope of services or task(s) to be provided or performed by the CONSULTANT, all of the above documents, to the extent requested in writing by the COUNTY, shall be delivered by the CONSULTANT to the COUNTY within seven (7) calendar days of the COUNTY making such a request. In the event the COUNTY gives the CONSULTANT a written Notice of Termination of all or part of the services or work required, or upon the issuance to the CONSULTANT by the COUNTY of a written Change Order deleting all or part of the services or work required, the CONSULTANT shall deliver to the COUNTY the requested documents as set forth hereinabove, with the mutual understanding and commitment by the COUNTY that compensation earned or owing to the CONSULTANT for services or work provided or performed by the CONSULTANT prior to the effective date of any such termination or deletion will be paid to the CONSULTANT within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of issuance of the Notice of Termination or Change Order. If either of these time periods end on a Saturday, Sunday, or Lee County recognized holiday, the deadline for that individual period shall fall to the next Monday or non-Lee County recognized holiday.

The CONSULTANT, at its expense, may make and retain copies of all documents delivered to the COUNTY for reference and internal use. The CONSULTANT shall not, and agrees not to; use any of these documents, and data and information contained therein on any other project or for any other client without the prior expressed written permission of the COUNTY.

Any use by the COUNTY of said documents, and data and information contained therein, obtained by the COUNTY under the provisions of this Agreement for any purpose not within the scope of this Agreement shall be at the risk of the COUNTY, and without liability to the CONSULTANT.

**ARTICLE 17.00 - MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS**

The CONSULTANT will keep and maintain adequate records and supporting documentation applicable to all of the services, work, information, expense, costs, invoices and materials provided and performed pursuant to the requirements of this Agreement. Said records and documentation will be retained by the CONSULTANT for a minimum of five (5) years from the date of termination of this Agreement.

The COUNTY and its authorized agents shall, with reasonable prior notice, have the right to audit, inspect and copy all such records and documentation as often as the COUNTY deems necessary during the period of this Agreement, and during the period five (5) years thereafter; provided, however, such activity shall be conducted only during normal business hours and at the expense of the COUNTY, and provided further that to the extent provided by law the COUNTY shall retain all such records confidential.

CONSULTANT specifically acknowledges its obligations to comply with §119.0701, F.S., with regard to public records, and shall:

- 1) keep and maintain public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by the COUNTY in order to perform the services required under this Agreement;
- 2) upon request from the County, provide the County with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119 Florida Statutes or as otherwise provided by law;
- 3) ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed, except as authorized by law; and
- 4) meet all requirements for retaining public records and transfer, at no cost to the COUNTY, all public records in possession of CONSULTANT upon termination of this Agreement and destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. All records stored electronically must be provided to the COUNTY in a format that is compatible with the information technology system of the COUNTY.

**IF THE CONSULTANT HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONSULTANT'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THE CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT 239-533-2221, 2115 SECOND STREET, FORT MYERS, FL 33901, [PRRCustodian@leegov.com](mailto:PRRCustodian@leegov.com) ; <http://www.leegov.com/publicrecords>.**

#### **ARTICLE 18.00 - HEADINGS**

The HEADINGS of the Articles, Sections, Exhibits, Attachments, Phases or Tasks as contained in this Agreement are for the purpose of convenience only and shall not be deemed to expand, limit or change the provisions contained in such Articles, Sections, Exhibits, Attachments, Phases or Tasks.

#### **ARTICLE 19.00 - ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

This Agreement, including referenced Exhibits and Attachments hereto, constitutes the entire Agreement between the parties hereto and shall supersede, replace and nullify any and all prior agreements or understandings, written or oral, relating to the matters set forth herein, and any such prior agreements or understandings shall have no force or effect whatever on this Agreement.

The following listed documents, which are referred to hereinbefore, are attached to and are acknowledged, understood and agreed to be an integral part of this Agreement:

- (1) EXHIBIT "A" entitled "Scope of Professional Services".
- (2) EXHIBIT "B" entitled "Compensation and Method of Payment".
- (3) EXHIBIT "C" entitled "Time and Schedule of Performance".
- (4) EXHIBIT "D" entitled "Consultant's Associated Sub-Consultants and Subcontractors".
- (5) EXHIBIT "E" entitled "Project Guidelines and Criteria".



- (6) EXHIBIT "F" entitled "Truth in Negotiation Certificate".
- (7) EXHIBIT "G" entitled "Insurance". (Containing copies of applicable Certificates of Insurance)
- (8) EXHIBIT "H" entitled "Amendment to Articles".
- (9) EXHIBIT "I" entitled "Consultant Background Screening Affidavit".
- (10) EXHIBIT "J" entitled "Project Funding Package".

## **ARTICLE 20.00 - NOTICES AND ADDRESS OF RECORD**

### **20.01 NOTICES BY CONSULTANT TO COUNTY**

All notices required and/or made pursuant to this Agreement to be given by the CONSULTANT to the COUNTY shall be in writing and shall be given by the United States Postal Service Department first class mail service, postage prepaid, addressed to the following COUNTY address of record and sent to the attention of the County's Project Manager:

Lee County Board of County Commissioners  
Post Office Box 398  
Fort Myers, Florida 33902-0398  
Department: Facilities Construction and Management

### **20.02 NOTICES BY COUNTY TO CONSULTANT**

All notices required and/or made pursuant to this Agreement to be given by the COUNTY to the CONSULTANT shall be made in writing and shall be given by the United States Postal Service Department first class mail service, postage prepaid, addressed to the following CONSULTANT'S address of record:

Mark Andrew Puhnaty II  
2519 Hawthorne St  
Sarasota, FL. 34239  
ATTENTION: Mark Puhnaty  
Email: Mpuhnaty@engineersandassociates.com

### **20.03 CHANGE OF ADDRESS OF RECORD**

Either party may change its address of record by written notice to the other party given in accordance with the requirements of this Article.

## **ARTICLE 21.00 - TERMINATION**

This Agreement may be terminated by the COUNTY at its convenience, or due to the fault of the CONSULTANT, by the COUNTY giving thirty (30) calendar days' written notice to the CONSULTANT.

If the CONSULTANT is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent; if it makes a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors; if a trustee or receiver is appointed for the CONSULTANT or for any of its property; if it files a petition to take advantage of any debtor's act or to reorganize under the bankruptcy or similar laws; if it disregards the authority of the COUNTY'S designated representatives; if it otherwise violates any provisions of this Agreement; or for any other just cause, the COUNTY may, without prejudice to any other right or remedy, and after giving the CONSULTANT a thirty (30) calendar day written notice, terminate this Agreement.

In addition to the COUNTY'S contractual right to terminate this Agreement in its entirety as set forth above, the COUNTY may also, at its convenience, stop, suspend, supplement or otherwise change all, or any part of, the Scope of Professional Services as set forth in Exhibit "A", or the Project Guidelines and Criteria as set forth in Exhibit "E", or as such may be established by a Supplemental Task Authorization or Change Order Agreement. The COUNTY shall provide written notice to the CONSULTANT in order to implement a stoppage, suspension, supplement or change.

The CONSULTANT may request that this Agreement be terminated by submitting a written notice to the COUNTY dated not less than thirty (30) calendar days prior to the requested termination date and stating the reason(s) for such a request. However, the COUNTY reserves the right to accept or not accept the termination request submitted by the CONSULTANT, and no such termination request submitted by the CONSULTANT shall become effective unless and until CONSULTANT is notified, in writing, by the COUNTY of its acceptance.

#### 21.01 CONSULTANT TO DELIVER MATERIAL

Upon termination, the CONSULTANT shall deliver to the COUNTY all papers, drawings, models, and other material in which the COUNTY has exclusive rights by virtue hereof or of any business done, or services or work performed or provided by the CONSULTANT on behalf of the COUNTY.

#### ARTICLE 22.00 - AMENDMENTS

The covenants, terms and provisions set forth and contained in all of the Articles to this Agreement may be amended upon the mutual acceptance thereof, in writing, by both parties to this Agreement, as evidenced by Exhibit H for amending articles. In the event of any conflicts between the requirements, provisions and/or terms of the Agreement and any written Amendment (Exhibit H), the requirements, provisions and/or terms of the Amendment shall take precedence.

#### ARTICLE 23.00 - MODIFICATIONS

Modifications to covenants, terms and provisions of this Agreement shall only be valid when issued in writing as a properly executed CHANGE ORDERS or SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS. In the event of any conflicts between the requirements, provisions, and/or terms of this Agreement and any written CHANGE ORDERS and/or SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS, the latest executed CHANGE ORDER and/or SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATION shall take precedence.

In the event the COUNTY issues a purchase order, memorandum, letter, or other instruments covering the professional services, work and materials to be provided and performed pursuant to this Agreement, it is hereby specifically agreed and understood that such purchase order, memorandum, letter or other instruments are for the COUNTY'S internal control purposes only, and any and all terms, provisions and conditions contained therein, whether printed or written, shall in no way modify the covenants, terms and provisions of this Agreement and shall have no force or effect thereon.

No modification, waiver, or termination of the Agreement or of any terms thereof shall impair the rights of either party.

#### ARTICLE 24.00 – SEVERABILITY

If any word, phrase, sentence, part, subsection, or other portion of this Agreement, or any application thereof, to any person, or circumstance is declared void, unconstitutional, or invalid for any reason, then such word, phrase, sentence, part, subsection, other portion, or the proscribed application thereof, shall be severable, and the remaining portions of this Agreement, and all applications thereof, not having been declared void, unconstitutional, or invalid, shall remain in full force, and effect.

**ARTICLE 25.00 – VENUE**

Venue for any administrative and/or legal action arising under this Agreement shall be in Lee County, Florida.

**ARTICLE 26.00 – NO THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES**

Both parties explicitly agree, and this Agreement states that no third party beneficiary status or interest is conferred to, or inferred to, any other person or entity.

**ARTICLE 27.00 – AUTHORITY TO PIGGYBACK**

During the Term of this Agreement, CONSULTANT agrees to extend the same terms, covenants and conditions available to the COUNTY under this Agreement to other public agencies that have authority to purchase from another public agency's competitively solicited contract. Each public agency that intends to make purchases under this Agreement must deal directly with the CONSULTANT in all matters related to the purchase(s), including ordering, acceptance and invoicing, and such public agencies are exclusively responsible for the payment of all purchases.

[The remainder of this page intentionally left blank.]

**ARTICLE 28.00 - ACCEPTANCE**

Acceptance of this Agreement shall be indicated by the signature of the duly authorized representative of the hereinabove named parties in the space provided hereinafter and being attested and witnessed as indicated.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, by their duly authorized representatives, have executed this Agreement the day and year last written below. The effective date for this Agreement shall be "the date the Lee County Board of County Commissioners awarded the Solicitation to the CONSULTANT.

ATTEST:  
CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

COUNTY: LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

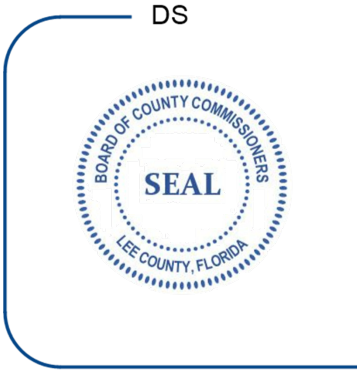
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Print Name: Mike Greenwell

Title: Chair

Date: 6/3/2024 | 8:51 AM EDT



APPROVED as to Form for the Reliance of Lee County Only

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BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
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County Attorney's Office

ENGINEERS AND ASSOCIATES, LLC

*MARK ANDREW PUHNATY*  
BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature

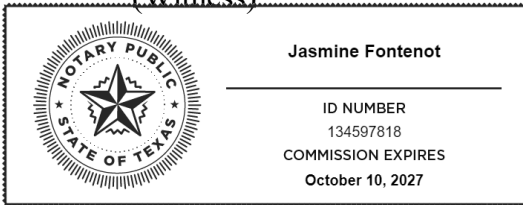
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*Jasmine Fontenot*  
(Witness)  
Notary Public, State of Texas  
County of Galveston

Mark Puhnaty  
Authorized Signature Printed Name

Owner and Principal  
Authorized Signature Title

DATE: 2024-04-04



CORPORATE SEAL:

EXHIBIT ASCOPE OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICESfor CN230542NAT: Mechanical, Plumbing, HVAC, & Electrical Engineering: Pre-Positioned FederalBASIC SERVICESSection 1. GENERAL SCOPE STATEMENT

The CONSULTANT shall provide and perform the following services, which shall constitute the GENERAL SCOPE of the BASIC SERVICES under the covenants, terms, and provisions of this SERVICE PROVIDER AGREEMENT.

Subject to the issuance of a Purchase Order/STA by the COUNTY, the CONSULTANT shall provide complete structural engineering services for a wide range of projects, which may include but not be limited to such tasks as: project design, forensic studies, cost estimates development of surveys and permitting. The CONSULTANT shall be responsible for providing complete professional services for a wide range of projects as may be required by the COUNTY. The CONSULTANT shall be responsible for knowledge of and compliance with all relevant local, state and federal codes and regulations.

Section 2. TASKS

Pursuant to the GENERAL SCOPE of the BASIC SERVICES stated herein above, the CONSULTANT shall perform all services and/or work necessary to complete the following task(s) and/or provide the following item(s) which are enumerated to correspond to the task(s) and/or items set forth in EXHIBIT "B" entitled "COMPENSATION AND METHOD OF PAYMENT".

As requested and authorized by the COUNTY, the CONSULTANT shall perform all services and/or work necessary to complete the following task(s) separately or all of the tasks collectively. The tasks include but are not limited to:

- Design.
- Construction drawings (AutoCAD).
- Construction specifications.
- Permitting.
- Bidding and negotiation services.
- Construction observation/administration.
- Energy management program evaluations.
- Conceptual estimates for new construction and renovation/retrofit projects.
- Analysis of existing systems.
- As built drawings (AutoCAD drawing).
- Perform eleventh month warranty inspection.

EXHIBIT B

COMPENSATION AND METHOD OF PAYMENT

For CN230542NAT: Mechanical, Plumbing, HVAC, & Electrical Engineering: Pre-Positioned Federal

Section 1. BASIC SERVICES/TASK(S)

The COUNTY shall compensate the CONSULTANT for providing and performing the Task(s) set forth and enumerated in EXHIBIT "A", entitled "SCOPE OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES", as follows:

NOTE: A Lump Sum (L.S.) or Not-to-Exceed (N.T.E.) amount of compensation to be paid the CONSULTANT should be established and set forth below for each task or sub-task described and authorized in Exhibit "A". In accordance with Agreement Article 5.03(2) "Method of Payment", tasks to be paid on a Work-in-Progress payment basis should be identified (WIPP).

Task Number	Task Title	Amount of Compensation	Indicate Basis of Compensation LS or NTE	If Applicable Indicate (W.I.P.P.)
	<p>Services provided and fees charged under this Agreement will be negotiated on a project-by-project basis. For all projects, the COUNTY shall issue a Purchase Order/STA, which shall identify the work to be performed, the timeframe for the work, and the compensation that the CONSULTANT shall receive for completing the work. No work is authorized under this Agreement without a fully executed Supplemental Task Authorization or a purchase order.</p>			
<p>TOTAL (Unless list is continued on next page)</p>				

EXHIBIT B (Continued)

Section 2. ADDITIONAL SERVICES

The COUNTY shall compensate the CONSULTANT for such ADDITIONAL SERVICES as are requested and authorized in writing for such amounts or on such a basis as may be mutually agreed to in writing by both parties to this Agreement. The basis and/or amount of compensation to be paid the CONSULTANT for ADDITIONAL SERVICES requested and authorized in writing by the COUNTY shall be as set forth in Article 5.02 of this Agreement.

Should it be mutually agreed to base compensation for ADDITIONAL SERVICES on an hourly rate charge basis for each involved professional and technical employee's wage rate classification, the applicable hourly rates to be charged are as set forth and contained in ATTACHMENT NO. 1 entitled "CONSULTANT'S PERSONNEL HOURLY RATE SCHEDULE".

Section 3. REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES AND COSTS

When the CONSULTANT'S compensation and method of payment is based on an hourly rate for professional and/or technical personnel, the CONSULTANT shall, in addition to such hourly rates as are set forth in Attachment No. 1 hereto, be entitled to reimbursement of out-of-pocket, non-personnel expenses and costs as set forth in ATTACHMENT NO. 2 entitled "NON-PERSONNEL REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES AND COSTS".

ATTACHMENT NO. 1 TO EXHIBIT BCONSULTANT'S PERSONNEL HOURLY RATE SCHEDULE \*\*\*for CN230542NAT: Mechanical, Plumbing, HVAC, & Electrical Engineering: Pre-Positioned FederalCONSULTANT OR SUB CONSULTANT NAME: **Engineers and Associates, LLC (E&A)**

(A separate Attachment to Exhibit B should be included for each Sub-Consultant's Personnel Rate and Non-Personnel Costs, in that order, with the attachment No.'s increasing progressively (ATTACHMENT 3 would be Personnel costs for first Sub, ATTACHMENT 4 would be Non-Personnel Costs for first Sub, and so-on.)

(1) Project Position or Classification (Function to be Performed)	(2) Hourly Rate To Be Charged
Principal Engineer	\$200/per Hour
Project Manager	\$180/per Hour
Senior or Professional Engineer	\$180/per Hour
Project Engineer	\$150/per Hour
Computer Modeling/Drafting Designer	\$120/per Hour
Administrative	\$80/per Hour

\*NOTE: A separate personnel hourly rate schedule should also be attached for each Sub-Consultant listed in Exhibit "D".





ATTACHMENT NO. 3 TO EXHIBIT B

CONSULTANT'S PERSONNEL HOURLY RATE SCHEDULE \*\*\*

for CN230542NAT: Mechanical, Plumbing, HVAC, & Electrical Engineering: Pre-Positioned Federal

CONSULTANT OR SUB CONSULTANT NAME: Blot Engineering, Inc. (BEI)  
 (A separate Attachment to Exhibit B should be included for each Sub-Consultant's Personnel Rate and Non-Personnel Costs, in that order, with the attachment No.'s increasing progressively (ATTACHMENT 3 would be Personnel costs for first Sub, ATTACHMENT 4 would be Non-Personnel Costs for first Sub, and so-on.)

(1) Project Position or Classification (Function to be Performed)	(2) Hourly Rate To Be Charged
PRINCIPAL	\$230
SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER	\$175
SENIOR ENGINEER	\$175
PROJECT ENGINEER	\$160
SENIOR CADD DESIGNER	\$120
SENIOR CLERICAL	\$105

\*NOTE: A separate personnel hourly rate schedule should also be attached for each Sub-Consultant listed in Exhibit "D".



ATTACHMENT NO. 5 TO EXHIBIT BCONSULTANT'S PERSONNEL HOURLY RATE SCHEDULE \*\*\*for CN230542NAT: Mechanical, Plumbing, HVAC, & Electrical Engineering: Pre-Positioned FederalCONSULTANT OR SUB-CONSULTANT NAME: **Capstone Project Services, PLC**

(A separate Attachment to Exhibit B should be included for each Sub-Consultant's Personnel Rate and Non-Personnel Costs, in that order, with the attachment No.'s increasing progressively (ATTACHMENT 3 would be Personnel costs for first Sub, ATTACHMENT 4 would be Non-Personnel Costs for first Sub, and so-on.)

(1) Project Position or Classification (Function to be Performed)	(2) Hourly Rate To Be Charged
Architect – Principal	\$200 / HR
Architect - Senior	\$180 / HR
Architect – Junior	\$130 / HR
Project Manager	\$180 / HR
Designer	\$100 / HR
Designer - Senior	\$130 / HR
CADD Technician	\$100 / HR
Clerical / Administrative	\$75 / HR

\*NOTE: A separate personnel hourly rate schedule should also be attached for each Sub-Consultant listed in Exhibit "D".





EXHIBIT D

CONSULTANT'S ASSOCIATED SUB-CONSULTANT(S) AND SUBCONTRACTOR(S)

For CN230542NAT: Mechanical, Plumbing, HVAC, & Electrical Engineering: Pre-Positioned Federal

CONSULTANT has identified the following Sub-Consultant(s) and/or Sub-Contractor(s) which may be engaged to assist the CONSULTANT in providing and performing services and work on this Project:

(If none, enter the word "none" in the space below.)

Service and/or Work to be Provided or Performed	Name and Address of Individual or Firm	Disadvantaged, Minority or Women Business Enterprise. (If Yes, Indicate Type)		
		Yes	No	Type
	Blot Engineering, Inc.		X	
	Capstone Project Services, PLC		X	

EXHIBIT E

PROJECT GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA

For CN230542NAT: Mechanical, Plumbing, HVAC, & Electrical Engineering: Pre-Positioned Federal

The COUNTY has established the following Guidelines, Criteria, Goals, Objectives, Constraints, Schedule, Budget and/or Requirements which shall serve as a guide to the CONSULTANT in performing the professional services and work to be provided pursuant to this Agreement:

Item No. 1

This is a “Master” contract, which is not for any specific project. Work will be negotiated, authorized, scheduled, funded, and accounted for by the issuance of Supplemental Task Authorizations, by the requesting department, division, or government entity.

Item No. 2

Any governmental entity may utilize the provisions of this contract for their specific needs.

Item No. 3

Work may be assigned at any time during the term of the contract including any renewals, if any.

Item No. 4

No amount of work is guaranteed upon the execution of a Professional Services Agreement.

Item No. 5

Hourly rates and all other negotiated expenses will remain in effect throughout the duration of the contract.

Item No. 6

This contract does not entitle any firm to exclusive rights to County contracts. The County reserves the right to perform any or all work in-house, or by any means it so desires.

Item No. 7

In reference to Attachment No. 2 to Exhibit B of the Professional Service Agreement, vehicle travel mileage is considered incidental to the work and not an extra expense. Also, man-hours spent in travel time to and from work or the job site(s), are not compensable.

Item No. 8

County reserves the right to add or delete, at any time, any or all tasks or services associated with this agreement.

ITEM NO. 9

**DRUG FREE WORKPLACE:** Any business that certifies during the solicitation/evaluation process that it has implemented a drug-free workplace program shall comply with the requirements of Florida Statutes 287.087 during the term of this contract.

Item No. 10

**IMMIGRATION LAWS:** Lee County will not intentionally award County contracts to any Consultant who knowingly employs unauthorized alien workers, constituting a violation of the employment provisions contained in 8 U.S.C. Section 1324 a(e), Section 274A(e) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (“INA”).



Lee County shall consider the employment by any Consultant of unauthorized aliens a violation of Section 274A(e) of the INA. Such violation by the recipient of the employment provisions contained in Section 274A(e) of the INA shall be grounds for unilateral cancellation of the contract by Lee County.

EXHIBIT F

TRUTH IN NEGOTIATION CERTIFICATE

This Certificate is executed and given by the undersigned as a condition precedent to entering into a Professional Services Agreement with the Lee County Board of County Commissioners for the project known as:

Before me, the undersigned authority personally appeared, who having personal knowledge as to the facts and statements contained herein after being duly sworn, deposes and states under oath that:

1. This Certificate shall be attached to and constitute an integral part of the above said Professional Services Agreement as provided in Article 3.12.
2. The undersigned hereby certifies that the wage rates and other factual unit costs supporting the compensation on which this Professional Services Agreement is established are accurate, complete, and current on the date set forth here-in-above.
3. The truth of statements made herein may be relied upon by the County and the undersigned is fully advised of the legal effect and obligations imposed upon him by the execution of this instrument under oath.

Executed on behalf of the Party to the Professional Services Agreement referred to as the CONSULTANT, doing business as:

Engineers and Associates, LLC.

BY: MARK ANDREW PUHNATY  
Mark Puhnaty

TITLE: AMBR (Authorized Member)

The foregoing instrument was signed and acknowledged before me me by means of  physical presence or  online notarization, this 4th day of April, 2024, by MARK ANDREW PUHNATY who has produced DRIVER LICENSE as (Print or Type Name) (Type of Identification and Number) identification.

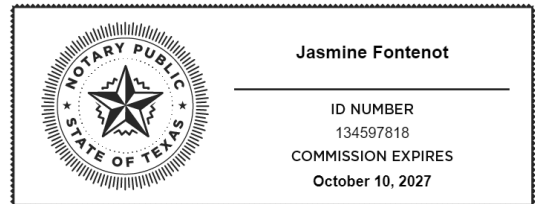
Jasmine Fontenot State of Texas County of Galveston  
Notary Public Signature

Jasmine Fontenot

Printed Name of Notary Public

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Notary Commission Number/Expiration



Electronically signed and notarized online using the Proof platform.

EXHIBIT G

INSURANCE

For CN230542NAT: Mechanical, Plumbing, HVAC, & Electrical Engineering: Pre-Positioned Federal



**Lee County Insurance Requirements  
Includes Professional Liability**

**Minimum Insurance Requirements: Risk Management in no way represents that the insurance required is sufficient or adequate to protect the vendors' interest or liabilities. The following are the required minimums the vendor must maintain throughout the duration of this contract. The County reserves the right to request additional documentation regarding insurance provided**

- a. **Commercial General Liability** - Coverage shall apply to premises and/or operations, products and completed operations, independent contractors, contractual liability exposures with minimum limits of:

- \$1,000,000 per occurrence
  - \$2,000,000 general aggregate
  - \$1,000,000 products and completed operations
  - \$1,000,000 personal and advertising injury

- b. **Business Auto Liability** - The following Automobile Liability will be required and coverage shall apply to all owned, hired and non-owned vehicles use with minimum limits of:

- \$1,000,000 combined single limit (CSL); or
  - \$500,000 bodily injury per person
  - \$1,000,000 bodily injury per accident
  - \$500,000 property damage per accident

- c. **Workers' Compensation** - Statutory benefits as defined by FS 440 encompassing all operations contemplated by this contract or agreement to apply to all owners, officers, and employees regardless of the number of employees. Workers Compensation exemptions may be accepted with written proof of the State of Florida's approval of such exemption. Employers' liability will have minimum limits of:

- \$500,000 per accident
  - \$500,000 disease limit
  - \$500,000 disease – policy limit

- d. **Errors and Omissions** - Coverage shall include professional liability insurance, to cover claims arising out of negligent acts, errors or omissions of professional advice, privacy and network security insurance covering for losses arising from disclosure of confidential information, or other professional services.

- \$1,000,000 per occurrence

***\*The required minimum limit of liability shown in a. and b. may be provided in the form of "Excess Insurance" or "Commercial Umbrella Policies." In which case, a "Following Form Endorsement" will be required on the "Excess Insurance Policy" or "Commercial Umbrella Policy."***



**Lee County Insurance Requirements  
Includes Professional Liability**

**Verification of Coverage:**

1. Coverage shall be in place prior to the commencement of any work and throughout the duration of the contract. A certificate of insurance will be provided to the Risk Manager for review and approval. The certificate shall provide for the following:

**a. Under the Description of Operations, the following must read as listed:**

*“Lee County, a political subdivision and Charter County of the State of Florida, its agents, employees, and public officials are automatic additional insureds and includes an automatic waiver of subrogation with regard to general liability. The certificate holder is an additional insured on a primary and noncontributory basis with regards to general liability.”*

**b. The certificate holder must read as follows:**

Lee County, a political subdivision and Charter County of the State of Florida  
P.O. Box 398  
Fort Myers, Florida 33902

**Special Requirements:**

1. An appropriate "Indemnification" clause shall be made a provision of the contract.
2. It is the responsibility of the general contractor to ensure that all subcontractors comply with all insurance requirements.

EXHIBIT H

AMENDMENT TO ARTICLES

For CN230542NAT: Mechanical, Plumbing, HVAC, & Electrical Engineering: Pre-Positioned Federal

For amending (i.e., changing, deleting from or adding to) the articles.

(NOTE: Each Article to be amended should be set forth and described in such a manner as to clearly indicate what the proposed changes, deletions or additions are with respect to the present Article provisions, and should set forth the wording of the Article resulting from the Amendment. The following identification system should be followed: Indicate additional (new) words or phrases by inserting the words in the text and then underline, (i.e., Months) and indicated words or phrases in the text to be deleted by striking over (i.e. ~~Weeks~~).

THE PROVISIONS HEREBY SUPERCEDE ANY PROVISIONS TO THE CONTRARY CONTAINED ELSEWHERE IN THE ARTICLES OR EXHIBITS.

AMENDMENT NO.

ARTICLE No. \_\_\_ is hereby amended as follows:

None.

EXHIBIT I

CONSULTANT BACKGROUND SCREENING AFFIDAVIT



**CONSULTANT BACKGROUND SCREENING AFFIDAVIT**

Florida Statutes Chapter 435 governs required background screenings for any employees, contractors, subcontractors, or agents of the Consultant who will have contact with any vulnerable person, as defined by statute, or who otherwise are required to undergo a Level 1 or Level 2 background screening in accordance with Florida law.

The Consultant is responsible for ensuring that such required background screenings are conducted in accordance with Florida Statutes Chapter 435. Documentation of such completed background screenings must be maintained for a period of no less than five (5) years and are subject to audit by Lee County at any time during such five (5) year period.

**Under penalty of perjury, I declare that I have read and understand the requirements stated above, and that all required background screenings shall be conducted in accordance with this affidavit.** I further understand that there may be additional local, state, and federal regulations that may require background screening, and that the Consultant will be solely responsible for complying with such legal requirements. Furthermore, the Consultant shall indemnify and hold Lee County harmless from any and all claims or actions resulting from failure to comply with this affidavit.

Date: 2024-04-04

MARK ANDREW PUHNATY

Signature

Mark Puhnaty / Owner and Principal

Name/Title

STATE OF Texas  
COUNTY OF Galveston

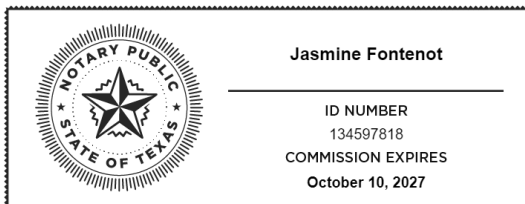
The foregoing instrument was sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me by means of  physical presence or  online notarization, this 4th day of April, 2024, by the above-named person and in their stated capacity, and is either personally known to me or who has produced the following type of identification: DRIVER LICENSE

Type of Identification

[Stamp/seal required]

Jasmine Fontenot

Signature, Notary Public



Electronically signed and notarized online using the Proof platform.

## EXHIBIT J PROJECT FUNDING PACKAGE



Advertise Date: Friday, September 01, 2023

**Lee County Board of County Commissioners  
DIVISION OF PROCUREMENT MANAGEMENT**

**Consultant Competitive Negotiation Act (CN) Request for Proposal**

Solicitation No.: **CN230542NAT**

Solicitation Name: **Mechanical, Plumbing, HVAC, & Electrical Engineering Pre-Positioned Federal**

Open Date/Time: **Wednesday, October 04, 2023** Time: **2:30 PM**

Location: **Lee County Procurement Management  
2115 Second Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
Fort Myers, FL 33901**

## Procurement

Contact: **Nick Trueblood** Title **Procurement Analyst**  
Phone: **(239) 533-8836** Email: **NTrueblood@leegov.com**

Requesting Dept. **COUNTY WIDE**

**Pre-Solicitation Meeting:**

Type: **No meeting scheduled at this time**  
Date/Time: **N/A**  
Location: **N/A**

All solicitation documents are available for download at  
[www.leegov.com/procurement](http://www.leegov.com/procurement)

**FUNDED IN PART OR IN WHOLE BY:  
Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)**

Vendors are required to comply in accordance with  
Federal Grant Requirements, 2 CFR part 200,  
terms, conditions, and specifications.

## EXHIBIT J PROJECT FUNDING PACKAGE

**Advertise Date:** Friday, September 1, 2023**Notice to Contractor / Vendor / Proposer(s)****REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**  
**Consultant Competitive Negotiation Act (CN)**

Lee County, Florida, is requesting proposals from qualified individuals/firms for

**CN230542NAT, Mechanical, Plumbing, HVAC, & Electrical Engineering Pre-Positioned Federal**

Then and there to be publicly opened and read aloud for the purpose of selecting a vendor to furnish; all necessary labor, services, materials, equipment, tools, consumables, transportation, skills and incidentals required for Lee County, Florida, in conformance with proposal documents, which include technical specifications and/or a scope of work.

Those individuals/firms interested in being considered are instructed to submit, in accordance with specifications, their proposals, pertinent to this project prior to

**2:30 PM Wednesday, October 04, 2023**

to the office of the **Procurement Management Director, 2115 Second Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Fort Myers, Florida 33901**. The Request for Proposal shall be received in a sealed envelope, prior to the time scheduled to receive proposals, and shall be clearly marked with the solicitation name, solicitation number, Proposer name, and contact information as identified in these solicitation documents.

The solicitation documents are available from [www.lee.gov/procurement](http://www.lee.gov/procurement). Documents obtained from sources other than [www.lee.gov/procurement](http://www.lee.gov/procurement) are cautioned that the solicitation package may be incomplete. The County's official Proposer list, addendum(s) and information must be obtained from [www.lee.gov/procurement](http://www.lee.gov/procurement). It is the Proposer's responsibility to check for posted information. The County may not accept incomplete proposals.

**No Pre-proposal Conference is scheduled at this time**

It has been determined that the specifications and scope of work within this solicitation are adequate to describe the product or services being requested. A pre-proposal conference and site visit has not been scheduled for this solicitation. Questions regarding this Request for Proposal are to be directed, in writing, to the individual listed below using the email address listed below or faxed to (239) 485 8383 during normal working hours.

Nick Trueblood [NTrueblood@LeeGov.com](mailto:NTrueblood@LeeGov.com)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Robin Dennard", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Robin Dennard, CPPB  
Procurement Manager

\*[WWW.LeeGov.Com/Procurement](http://WWW.LeeGov.Com/Procurement) is the County's official posting site



## EXHIBIT J PROJECT FUNDING PACKAGE

**Terms and Conditions  
Request for Proposal  
Consultant Competitive Negotiation Act (CN)**

## 1. DEFINITIONS

- 1.1. **Addendum/Addenda:** A written change, addition, alteration, correction or revision to a bid, proposal or contract agreement. Addendum/Addenda may be issued following a pre-bid/pre-proposal conference or as a result of a specification or work scope change to the solicitation.
- 1.2. **Approved Alternate:** Solicitation documents may make reference of specific manufacturer(s) or product(s). These references serve only as a recommendation and a guide to minimum quality and performance. The references are not intended to exclude approved alternatives of other manufacturer(s) or product(s).
- 1.3. **Bid/Proposal Package:** A bid/proposal is a document submitted by a vendor in response to some type of solicitation to be used as a basis for negotiations or for entering into a contract.
- 1.4. **Bidder/Responder/Proposer:** One who submits a response to a solicitation.
- 1.5. **County:** Refers to Lee County Board of County Commissioners.
- 1.6. **Due Date and Time/Opening:** Is defined as the date and time upon which a bid or proposal shall be submitted to the Lee County Procurement Management Division. Only bids or proposals received prior to the established date and time will be considered.
- 1.7. **Liquidated Damages:** Damages paid usually in the form of monetary payment, agreed by the parties to a contract which are due and payable as damages by the party who breaches all or part of the contract. May be applied on a daily basis for as long as the breach is in effect.
- 1.8. **Procurement Management:** shall mean the Director of Lee County's Procurement Management Department or designee.
- 1.9. **Responsible:** A vendor, business entity or individual who is fully capable to meet all of the requirements of the bid/proposal solicitation documents and subsequent contract. Must possess the full capability including financial and technical, to perform as contractually required. Must be able to fully document the ability to provide good faith performance.
- 1.10. **Responsive:** A vendor, business entity or individual who has submitted a bid or request for proposal that fully conforms in all material respects to the bid/proposal solicitation documents and all of its requirements, including all form and substance.
- 1.11. **Solicitation:** An invitation to bid, a request for proposal, invitation to negotiate or any document used to obtain bids or proposals for the purpose of entering into a contract.

## 2. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

- 2.1. If a conflict exists between the "Terms and Conditions" the following order of precedents will apply:
  - 2.1.1. Florida Statute , Chapter 287.055 Consultant Competitive Negotiation Act (CCNA), (CN).
  - 2.1.2. Lee County Procurement Management Department Ordinance 22-06
  - 2.1.3. Special Conditions and Supplemental Instructions
  - 2.1.4. Detailed Scope of Work
  - 2.1.5. These Terms and Conditions

## 3. RULES, REGULATIONS, LAWS, ORDINANCES AND LICENSES

- 3.1. It shall be the responsibility of the Proposer to assure compliance with all other federal, state, or county codes, rules, regulations or other requirements, as each may apply. Any involvement with the Lee County shall be in accordance with but not limited to:
  - 3.1.1. Lee County Procurement Policy Ordinance 22-06
  - 3.1.2. Florida State Statute 287.055: Consultant Competitive Negotiation Act (CCNA), (CN)
  - 3.1.3. Pursuant to FL § Section 119.071, Public Records, General exemptions from inspection or copying of public records, sealed bids or proposals received by the County. Pursuant to this, solicitation are exempt from public records request (s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I, of the Florida Constitution) until such time as the agency provides notice of a decision or intended decision (pursuant to s. 119.071(2)) or within 30 days after bid or proposal opening, whichever is earlier.

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- 3.1.4. Florida Statute 337.168 Confidentiality of official estimates, identities of potential bidders, and bid analysis and monitoring.
    - 3.1.5. FL § Section 607.1501(1) states: A foreign corporation may not transact business in the State of Florida until it obtains a certificate of authority from the Department of State.
  - 3.2. **Local Business Tax:** If applicable, provide with proposal.
  - 3.3. **License(s):** Proposer should provide, at the time of the opening of the proposal, all necessary permits and/or licenses required for this product and/or service.
4. RFP – PREPARATION OF PROPOSAL
  - 4.1. Proposals must be sealed in an envelope, and the outside of the envelope must be affixed with the label included in the forms section.
  - 4.2. **Submission Format:**
    - 4.2.1. Required Forms: complete and return **all** required forms. If the form is not applicable, please return with “Not Applicable” or “N/A” in large letters across the form.
    - 4.2.2. Execution of Proposal: All documents must be properly signed by corporate authorized representative, and where applicable witnessed and corporate and/or notary seals affixed. All proposals shall be typed or printed in ink. The Proposer may not use erasable ink. All corrections made to the proposal shall be initialed.
    - 4.2.3. Should not contain links to other Web pages.
  - 4.3. **Preparation Cost:**
    - 4.3.1. The Proposer is solely responsible for any and all costs associated with responding to this solicitation. No reimbursement will be made for any costs associated with the preparation and submittal of any proposal, or for any travel and per diem costs that are incurred by any Proposer, as a result of this solicitation and subsequent evaluation process.
5. RESPONSES RECEIVED LATE
  - 5.1. It shall be the Proposer’s sole responsibility to deliver the proposal submission to the Lee County Procurement Management Division prior to or on the time and date stated.
  - 5.2. Any proposals received after the stated time and date will not be considered. The proposal shall not be opened at the public opening. Arrangements may be made for the unopened proposal to be returned at the Proposer’s request and expense.
  - 5.3. The Lee County Procurement Management Division shall not be responsible for delays caused by the method of delivery such as, but not limited to; Internet, United States Postal Service, overnight express mail service(s), or delays caused by any other occurrence.
6. PROPOSER REQUIREMENTS (unless otherwise noted)
  - 6.1. **Responsive and Responsible:** Only proposals received from responsive and responsible Proposers will be considered. The County reserves the right before recommending any award to inspect the facilities and organization; or to take any other necessary action, such as background checks, to determine ability to perform is satisfactory, and reserves the right to reject submission packages where evidence submitted or investigation and evaluation indicates an inability for the Proposer to perform.
    - 6.1.1. Additional sources may be utilized to determine credit worthiness and ability to perform.
    - 6.1.2. Any Proposer or sub-Proposer that will have access to County facilities or property may be required to be screened to a level that may include, but is not limited to fingerprints, statewide criminal. There may be fees associated with these procedures. These costs are the responsibility of the Proposer or sub-Proposer.
    - 6.1.3. Proposers are responsible for ensuring that any required background screening are conducted in accordance with Chapter 435. Proposers shall be aware, understand, and ensure compliance with the statutory requirements regarding background checks. FL Statutes Chapter 435 governs required background screenings for any employees, contractors, subcontractors, or agents of the Proposer who will have contact with any vulnerable person, as defined by statute, or who otherwise are required to undergo a Level 1 or Level 2 background screening in accordance with Florida law. Such requirements shall flow down to sub-contractors/consultants of the prime Proposer and prime Proposer shall ensure compliance with Chapter 435 of such parties.

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- 6.1.3.1. Documentation of such completed background screenings must be maintained for a period of no less than five (5) years and are subject to audit by Lee County at any time during such five (5) year period.
- 6.2. **Past Performance:** All vendors will be evaluated on their past performance and prior dealings with Lee County (i.e., failure to meet specifications, poor workmanship, late delivery, etc.) Poor or unacceptable past performance may result in Proposer disqualification.
- 6.3. **Prohibition Against Considering Social, Political Or Ideological Interests in Government Contracting – F.S. 287.05701:** Bidders are hereby notified of the provisions of section 287.05701, Florida Statutes, as amended, that the County will not request documentation of or consider a Bidder's social, political, or ideological interests when determining if the Bidder is a responsible Bidder. Bidders are further notified that the County's governing body may not give preference to a Bidder based on the Bidder's social, political, or ideological interests.
7. PRE-SOLICITATION CONFERENCE
- 7.1. A pre-solicitation conference will be held in the location, date, and time specified on the cover of this solicitation. The cover will also note if the pre-solicitation conference is Non-Mandatory or Mandatory. All questions and answers are considered informal. All prospective Proposers are encouraged to obtain and review the solicitation documents prior to the pre-proposal so they may be prepared to discuss any questions or concerns they have concerning this project. All questions must be submitted formally in writing to the procurement staff noted on the first page of the solicitation document. A formal response will be provided in the form of an addendum (see "County Interpretation/Addendums" for additional information.) A site visit may follow the pre-proposal conference, if applicable.
- 7.2. **Non-Mandatory:** Pre-solicitation conferences are generally non-mandatory, but it is highly recommended that prospective Proposers participate.
- 7.3. **Mandatory:** Failure to attend a mandatory pre-solicitation conference will result in the proposal being considered **non-responsive**.
8. COUNTY INTERPRETATION/ADDENDUMS
- 8.1. Each Proposer shall examine the solicitation documents and shall judge all matters relating to the adequacy and accuracy of such documents. Any inquiries, suggestions or requests concerning interpretation, clarification or additional information pertaining to the solicitation shall be **submitted in writing prior to 5:00 PM at least eight (8) calendar days prior to the date when the submission is due.**
- 8.2. Response(s) will be in the form of an Addendum posted on [www.leegov.com/procurement](http://www.leegov.com/procurement). It is solely the Proposer's responsibility to check the website for information. No notifications will be sent directly to proposers by Lee County Procurement Management Division associated with this solicitation.
- 8.3. All Addenda shall become part of the Contract Documents.
- 8.4. The County shall not be responsible for oral interpretations given by any County employee, representative, or others. Interpretation of the meaning of the plans, specifications or any other contract document, or for correction of any apparent ambiguity, inconsistency or error there in, shall be in writing. Issuance of a written addendum by the County's Procurement Management Division is the only official method whereby interpretation, clarification or additional information can be given.
9. ADDITIONS, REVISIONS AND DELETIONS
- 9.1. Additions, revisions, or deletions to the Terms and Conditions, Specifications, Bid Schedule, or other document provided by Lee County Procurement Management Division that changes the intent of the solicitation will cause the solicitation to be non-responsive and the proposal will not be considered. The Procurement Management Director shall be the sole judge as to whether or not any addition, revision, or deletion changes the intent of the solicitation.
10. CONFIDENTIALITY
- 10.1. Proposers should be aware that all proposals provided are subject to public disclosure and will **not** be afforded confidentiality, unless provided by Chapter 119 Florida Statute.
- 10.2. If information is submitted with a proposal that is deemed "Confidential" the Proposer must stamp those pages of the proposal that are considered confidential. The Proposer must provide documentation as to

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validate why these documents should be declared confidential in accordance with Chapter 119, "Public Records," exemptions.

- 10.3. Lee County **will not reveal engineering estimates or budget amounts for a project** unless required by grant funding or unless it is in the best interest of the County. According to Florida State Statute 337.168: A document or electronic file revealing the official cost estimate of the department of a project is confidential and exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1) until the contract for the project has been executed or until the project is no longer under active consideration.

## 11. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- 11.1. All Proposers are hereby placed on formal notice that per Section 3 of Lee County Ordinance No. 92-22: The County is prohibited from solicitation of a professional services firm to perform project design and/or construction services if the firm has or had been retained to perform the project feasibility or study analysis.
- 11.2. Should your proposal be found in violation of the above stated provisions; the County will consider this previous involvement in the project to be a conflict of interest, which will be cause for immediate disqualification of the proposal from consideration for this project.
- 11.3. **Business Relationship Disclosure Requirement:** The award hereunder is subject to the provisions of Chapter 112, Public Officers and Employees: General Provisions, Florida Statutes. All Proposers must disclose with their proposal the name of any officer, director or agent who is also an employee of the Lee County or any of its agencies. Further, all Proposers must disclose the name of any County employee who owns directly or indirectly, an interest of five percent (5%) or more in the Proposer's firm or any of its branches.

## 12. ANTI-LOBBYING CLAUSE (Cone of Silence)

- 12.1. Upon the issuance of the solicitation, prospective Proposers or any agent, representative or person acting at the request of such Proposer shall not have any contact, communicate with or discuss any matter relating in any way to the solicitation with any Commissioner, Evaluation Review Committee, agent or employee of the County other than the Procurement Management Director or their designee. This prohibition begins with the issuance of any solicitation and ends upon execution of the final contract or when the solicitation has been cancelled. **If it is determined that improper communications were conducted, the Proposer maybe declared non- responsible.**

## 13. ANTITRUST VIOLATION

- 13.1. A person or an affiliate who has been placed on the antitrust violator vendor list, available at [Antitrust Violator Vendor List / Vendor Registration and Vendor Lists / State Agency Resources / State Purchasing / Business Operations / Florida Department of Management Services - DMS \(myflorida.com\)](#), following a conviction or being held civilly liable for an antitrust violation may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply for any new contract to provide any goods or services to Lee County; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply for a new contract with Lee County for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on new leases of real property to Lee County; may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a new contract with Lee County; and may not transact new business with Lee County.

## 14. DRUG FREE WORKPLACE

- 14.1. Lee County Board of County Commissioners encourages Drug Free Workplace programs.

## 15. FLORIDA CERTIFIED ENTERPRISES

- 15.1. The County encourages the use of Florida Certified Enterprises such as such as Disadvantaged, Minority, Women, Veterans Business Enterprise (DBE, MBE, WBE, VBE) firms.
- 15.2. Bidder/Proposer is requested to indicate whether the Firm and/or any proposed sub-consultants are a Florida Certified Enterprise. Lee County encourages the utilization and participation of DBE, MBE, WBE, VBE or similar in procurements, and evaluation proceedings will be conducted within the established guidelines regarding equal employment opportunity and nondiscriminatory action based upon the grounds of race, color, sex or national origin. Interested Florida Certified Enterprises such as Disadvantaged, Minority,

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Women, Veterans Business Enterprise (DBE, MBE, WBE, VBE) firms and similar are encouraged to submit.

## 16. ANTI-DISCRIMINATION/EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

- 16.1. The Proposer agrees to comply with 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), the ADA Amendments Act of 2008 (ADAAA) that furnishing goods or services to the County hereunder, no person on the grounds of race, religion, color, age, sex, national origin, disability or marital status shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination.
- 16.2. The Proposer will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, age, sex, national origin, disability or marital status. The Proposer will make affirmative efforts to ensure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, religion, color, age, sex, national origin, disability or marital status.
- 16.3. The Proposer will include the provisions of this section in every sub-contract under this contract to ensure its provisions will be binding upon each sub-contractor. The Proposer will take such actions in respect to any sub-contractor, as the contracting agency may direct, as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for non-compliance.
- 16.4. An entity or affiliate who has been placed on the State of Florida's Discriminatory Vendor List (This list may be viewed by going to the Department of Management Services website at <http://www.dms.myflorida.com>) may not submit a bid on a contract to provide goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not award or perform work as a vendor, supplier, sub-contractor, or consultant under contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity.

## 17. SUB-PROPOSER/CONSULTANT

- 17.1. The use of sub-Proposer/consultant under this solicitation is not allowed without prior written authorization from the County representative.

## 18. RFP - PROJECT GUIDELINES

- 18.1. The County has established the following Guidelines, Criteria, Goals, Objectives, Constraints, Schedule, Budget and or Requirements which shall service as a guide to the Proposer(s) in conforming the professional services and work to provide pursuant to this Agreement/Contract:
  - 18.1.1. No amount of work is guaranteed upon the execution of an agreement/contract.
  - 18.1.2. Hourly rates and all other negotiated expenses will remain in effect throughout the duration of the agreement/contract period; inclusive of any renewals unless otherwise specified herein.
  - 18.1.3. This contract does not entitle any firm to exclusive rights to County agreements/contracts. The County reserves the right to perform any and all available required work in-house or by any other means it so desires.
  - 18.1.4. In reference to vehicle travel, mileage and man-hours spent in travel time, is considered incidental to the work and not an extra compensable expense.
  - 18.1.5. Lee County reserves the right to add or delete, at any time, and or all tasks or services associated with this agreement.
  - 18.1.6. Any Single Large Project: The County, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to separately solicit any project that is outside the scope of this solicitation, whether through size, complexity or the dollar value.

## 19. RFP – EVALUATION

- 19.1. **Ranking Method:** Lee County uses the Dense Ranking (1223” ranking). In Dense Ranking, items that compare equal, receive the same ranking number, and the next item(s) receive the immediately following ranking number. Equivalently, each item’s ranking number is 1 plus the number of items ranked above it that are distinct with respect to the ranking order. This ranking method is used for each individual committee member’s scores. Thus, if A ranks ahead of B and C (which compare equal) which are both ranked ahead

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of D, then A is ranked number 1 (“first”), B is ranked number 2 (“joint second”), C is also ranked number 2 (“joint second”) and D is ranked number 3 (“third”).

**19.2. Evaluation Meeting(s):**

- 19.2.1. The first evaluation will rank Proposers based on the scores from the selection criteria point values.
- 19.2.2. Following the initial evaluation process, the short-listed proposer(s) may be required to provide an on-site interview/presentation.
- 19.2.3. Such subsequent evaluations are to be accomplished by simply ranking the Proposers based off the details provided through the on-site interview/presentation. Proposers will be ranked in sequential order with one (1) being the highest ranking. Proposers’ rankings will then be totaled with the total lowest scores receiving final rank order starting with one (1) that shall indicate the highest technically evaluated and most qualified Proposer by the evaluation committee.
- 19.2.4. Proposed short-list and final selection meeting dates are posted on the Procurement Management web page: [www.leegov.com/procurement](http://www.leegov.com/procurement) (Projects, Award Pending.)

**20. RFP – SELECTION PROCEDURE**

- 20.1. The selection will be made in accordance with Lee County Procurement Policy and Chapter 287.055 FL § for Professional Services Contracts. Some or all of the responding Proposer(s) may be requested to provide interviews and/or presentations of their proposal, for the ranking process
- 20.2. Agreement/Contract fees will be negotiated in accordance with Section 287.055 FL §.
- 20.3. The recommendation to award, negotiated rates and agreement/contract(s) will be submitted to the Board of County Commissioners for approval.
- 20.4. If a satisfactory agreement/contract(s) cannot be negotiated, in a reasonable amount of time, the County, in its sole discretion, may terminate negotiations with the selected Proposer(s) and begin agreement/contract negotiations with the next finalist.
- 20.5. The Procurement Management Director reserves the right to exercise their discretion to:
  - 20.5.1. Make award(s) to one or multiple Proposers.
  - 20.5.2. Waive minor informalities in any response;
  - 20.5.3. Reject any and all proposals with or without cause;
  - 20.5.4. Accept the response that in its judgment will be in the best interest of Lee County.

**21. RFP – TIEBREAKER**

- 21.1. In the event of a tie, two or more proposers that have the same ranking, the following steps will be taken to determine the highest ranked proposer. This method shall be used for all (RFP) ties.
  - 21.1.1. Step 1: The proposer that has the highest number of 1<sup>st</sup> place rankings shall be deemed the first ranked proposer. In the event a tie still exists the proposer with the highest number of 2<sup>nd</sup>, place rankings shall be the first ranked proposer. Should a tie still remain the method used above will continue with each ranking level, 3<sup>rd</sup>, then 4<sup>th</sup>, then 5<sup>th</sup>, etc. rank, will be counted until the tie is broken.
  - 21.1.2. INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK DUE TO FUNDING
  - 21.1.3. Step 3: In the event the tie exists then the highest ranked proposer from the first evaluation committee meeting, in which point values were applied, will win the award. One being the highest.
  - 21.1.4. INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK DUE TO FUNDING
- 21.2. When the tiebreaker is determined the highest ranked Proposer shall be awarded the contract or receive the first opportunity to negotiate, as applicable.
- 21.3. If an award or negotiation is unsuccessful with the highest ranked Proposer, award or negotiations may commence with the next highest ranked Proposer.

**22. RFP – EVALUATION/ SELECTION COMMITTEE**

- 22.1. The selection shall be by a Selection Committee consisting of staff representatives from the appropriate County Departments as approved by the Procurement Management Director or designee unless otherwise mandated by law.
- 22.2. The Selection Committee will receive and review written proposals in response to this Request for Proposal (RFP). Responses will be evaluated against a set of criteria to determine those Proposers/Firms most

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qualified and suited for this project, resulting, where applicable, in a short-list of no fewer than three (3) firms to be interviewed or provide presentations.

- 22.3. The County reserves the right, where allowable and applicable, to begin negotiations with the top ranked firm(s) without hosting interviews/presentations.

### 23. WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSAL

- 23.1. No proposal may be withdrawn for a period of **180 calendar days** after the scheduled time for receiving proposals. A proposal may be withdrawn prior to the proposal opening date and time. Withdrawal requests must be made in writing to the Procurement Management Director, who will approve or disapprove the request.
- 23.2. A Proposer may withdraw a proposal any time prior to the opening of the solicitation.
- 23.3. After proposals are opened, but prior to award of the contract by the County Commission, the Procurement Management Director may allow the withdrawal of a proposal because of the mistake of the Proposer in the preparation of the proposal document. In such circumstance, the decision of the Procurement Management Director to allow the proposal withdrawal, although discretionary, shall be based upon a finding that the Proposer, by clear and convincing evidence, has met each of the following four tests:
- 23.3.1. The Proposer acted in good faith in submitting the proposal,
- 23.3.2. The mistake in proposal preparation that was of such magnitude that to enforce compliance by the Proposer would cause a severe hardship on the Proposer,
- 23.3.3. The mistake was not the result of gross negligence or willful inattention by the Proposer; and
- 23.3.4. The mistake was discovered and was communicated to the County prior to the County Commission having formally awarded the contract/agreement.

### 24. PROTEST RIGHTS

- 24.1. Any Bidder that has submitted a formal Response to Lee County, and who is adversely affected by an intended decision with respect to the Award, has the right to protest an intended decision posted by the County as part of the Solicitation process.
- 24.2. Notice of Intended Decision is posted on the Lee County Department of Procurement Management website ([www.lee.gov/procurement](http://www.lee.gov/procurement)). Bidders are solely responsible to check for information regarding the Solicitation.
- 24.3. Refer to the "Procurement Protest" section of the Lee County Procurement Ordinance 22-06 for a complete description of the protest process and associated requirements. The ordinance is posted on the Lee County website or may be obtained by contacting the Procurement Management Director.
- 24.4. In order to preserve the right to protest, a written "**Notice of Intent to File a Protest**" **must be filed with the Lee County Procurement Management Director within seventy-two (72) hours of Posting of the Notice of Intended Decision.**
- 24.4.1. The notice shall clearly indicate all grounds being claimed for the protest.
- 24.4.2. The notice must be physically received by the Procurement Management Director within the required time frame described above. No additional time will be granted for mailing.
- 24.5. Following receipt of the Notice of Intent to File a Protest, a "**Protest Bond**" and "**Formal Written Protest**" must be filed **within ten (10) business days** of Posting of the Notice of Intended Decision.
- 24.6. **Failure to follow the protest procedures requirement within the time frames as prescribed herein and in the Lee County Procurement Ordinance 22-06 shall constitute a waiver of the right to protest and shall bar any resulting claims.**

### 25. AUTHORITY TO UTILIZE BY OTHER GOVERNMENT ENTITIES

- 25.1. This opportunity is also made available to any government entity. Pursuant to their own governing laws, and subject to the agreement of the vendor, other entities may be permitted to make purchases at the terms and conditions contained herein. Lee County Board of County Commissioners will not be financially responsible for the purchases of other entities from this solicitation.

### 26. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

- 26.1. **Designated Contact:**

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- 26.1.1. The awarded Proposer shall appoint a person(s) to act as a primary contact for all County departments. This person or back-up shall be readily available during normal working hours by phone or in person, and shall be knowledgeable of the terms and procedures involved.
- 26.1.2. Lee County requires that the awarded Proposer to provide the name of a contact person(s) and phone number(s) which will afford Lee County access 24 hours per day, 365 days per year, of this service in the event of major breakdowns or natural disasters.
- 26.2. **RFP – Term:**
- 26.2.1. Unless otherwise stated in the scope of work, specifications, or special conditions the default **contract term shall be one (1) year with three (3), one (1) year renewals for a total of four (4) years upon mutual written agreement of both parties.**
- 26.2.2. The County reserves the right to renew this contract, or any portion thereof, and to negotiate pricing as a condition for each.
- 26.2.3. The County’s performance and obligation to pay under this contract, and any applicable renewal options, is contingent upon annual appropriation of funds.
- 26.3. **RFP – Basis of Award:**
- 26.3.1. Award will be made to the most responsible and responsive Proposer based on the evaluation criteria.
- 26.4. **Agreement/Contract:**
- 26.4.1. The awarded Proposer will be required to execute an Agreement/Contract as a condition of award. A sample of this document may be viewed on-line at <http://www.leegov.com/procurement/forms>.
- 26.5. **Records:**
- 26.5.1. Retention: The Proposer shall maintain such financial records and other records as may be prescribed by Lee County or by applicable federal and state laws, rules and regulations. Unless otherwise stated in the specifications, the Proposer shall retain these records for a period of five years after final payment, or until they are audited by Lee County, whichever event occurs first.
- 26.5.2. Right to Audit/Disclosure: These records shall be made available during the term of the contract as well as the retention period. These records shall be made readily available to County personnel with reasonable notice and other persons in accordance with the Florida General Records Schedule. Awarded Bidder/Proposer(s) are hereby informed of their requirement to comply with FL §119 specifically to:
- 26.5.2.1. Keep and maintain public records required by the County to perform the service.
- 26.5.2.2. Upon request from the County’s custodian of public records, provide the County with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided or as otherwise provided by law.
- 26.5.2.3. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of the contract if the contractor does not transfer the records to the County.
- 26.5.2.4. Upon completion of the contract, transfer, at no cost, to the County all public records in possession of the contractor or keep and maintain public records required by the County to perform the service. If the contractor transfers all public records to the County upon completion of the contract, the contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the contract, the contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the County, upon request from the County’s custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the County.
- 26.5.3. Public Record: **IF THE VENDOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE VENDOR’S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO**



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**THE CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT 239-533-2221, 2115 SECOND STREET, FORT MYERS, FL 33901, Email at [PRRCustodian@leegov.com](mailto:PRRCustodian@leegov.com) or Visit <http://www.leegov.com/publicrecords>.**

26.5.4. **Ownership:** It is understood and agreed that all documents, including detailed reports, plans, original tracings, specifications and all data prepared or obtained by the successful Proposer in connection with its services hereunder, include all documents bearing the professional seal of the successful Proposer, and shall be delivered to and become the property of Lee County, prior to final payment to the successful Proposer or the termination of the agreement. This includes any electronic versions, such as CAD or other computer aided drafting programs.

**26.6. Termination:**

26.6.1. Any agreement as a result of this solicitation may be terminated by either party giving **thirty (30) calendar days advance written notice**. The County reserves the right to accept or not accept a termination notice submitted by the Proposer, and no such termination notice submitted by the vendor shall become effective unless and until the vendor is notified in writing by the County of its acceptance.

26.6.2. The Procurement Management Director may immediately terminate any agreement as a result of this solicitation for emergency purposes, as defined by the Lee County Procurement Management Ordinance 22-06.

26.6.3. Any Proposer who has voluntarily withdrawn from a solicitation without the County's mutual consent during the contract period shall be barred from further County procurement for a **period of 180 days**. The vendor may apply to the Board for a waiver of this debarment. Such application for waiver of debarment must be coordinated with and processed by the Procurement Management Department.

26.6.4. The County reserves the right to terminate award or contract following any of the below for goods or services over \$1,000,000:

26.6.4.1. Contractor is found to have submitted a false certification as provided under FL § 287.135 (5);

26.6.4.2. Contractor has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List;

26.6.4.3. Contractor has engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria;

26.6.4.4. Contractor has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, or is engaged in a boycott of Israel – beginning October 1, 2016.

**27. WAIVER OF CLAIMS**

27.1. Once this contract expires, or final payment has been requested and made, the awarded vendor shall have no more than **thirty (30) calendar days** to present or file any claims against the County concerning this contract. After that period, the County will consider the vendor to have waived any right to claims against the County concerning this agreement.

**28. LEE COUNTY PAYMENT PROCEDURES**

28.1. All vendors are requested to mail an original invoice to:

**Lee County Finance Department**

**Post Office Box 2238**

**Fort Myers, FL 33902-2238**

28.2. All invoices will be paid as directed by the Lee County payment procedure unless otherwise stated in the detailed specification portion of this project.

28.3. Lee County will not be liable for requests for payment deriving from aid, assistance, or help by any individual, vendor, Proposer, or bidder for the preparation of these specifications.

28.4. Lee County is generally a tax exempt entity subject to the provisions of the 1987 legislation regarding sales tax on services. Lee County will pay those taxes for which it is obligated, or it will provide a Certificate of

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Exemption furnished by the Department of Revenue. All Proposers should include in their proposal, all sales or use taxes, which they will pay when making purchases of material or sub-contractor's services.

### 29. LOCAL VENDOR PREFERENCE

- 29.1. The Procurement Management Department will adhere to the Lee County Ordinance No. 22-06 and as may be amended from time to time (the County's "Local Vendor Preference"). It shall be at the discretion of the County Manager or Designee whether to apply Local Vendor Preference to any particular Solicitation.
- 29.2. The County's Local Vendor Preference, as it relates to Bidding preferences for local Vendors, is not applicable to Solicitations or Contracts when Commodities and/or Services may be provided in the event of an Emergency.
- 29.3. The County's Local Vendor Preference shall not apply in any procurement for Commodities or Services if the use of the Local Vendor Preference is prohibited by the terms of a grant or funding agreement or other prevailing law or policy.

### 30. INSURANCE (AS APPLICABLE)

- 30.1. Insurance shall be provided by the awarded Proposer. Upon request, a certificate of insurance (COI) complying with the attached guide shall be provided by the Proposer.
- 30.2. Insurance carriers providing coverage required herein shall be licensed to conduct business in the State of Florida and shall possess a current A.M. Best's Financial Strength Rating of "B or better."

End of Terms and Conditions Section

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## INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS


**Lee County Insurance Requirements  
Includes Professional Liability**

**Minimum Insurance Requirements:** *Risk Management in no way represents that the insurance required is sufficient or adequate to protect the vendors' interest or liabilities. The following are the required minimums the vendor must maintain throughout the duration of this contract. The County reserves the right to request additional documentation regarding insurance provided*

- a. **Commercial General Liability** - Coverage shall apply to premises and/or operations, products and completed operations, independent contractors, contractual liability exposures with minimum limits of:
- \$1,000,000 per occurrence
  - \$2,000,000 general aggregate
  - \$1,000,000 products and completed operations
  - \$1,000,000 personal and advertising injury
- b. **Business Auto Liability** - The following Automobile Liability will be required and coverage shall apply to all owned, hired and non-owned vehicles use with minimum limits of:
- \$1,000,000 combined single limit (CSL); or
  - \$500,000 bodily injury per person
  - \$1,000,000 bodily injury per accident
  - \$500,000 property damage per accident
- c. **Workers' Compensation** - Statutory benefits as defined by FS 440 encompassing all operations contemplated by this contract or agreement to apply to all owners, officers, and employees regardless of the number of employees. Workers Compensation exemptions may be accepted with written proof of the State of Florida's approval of such exemption. Employers' liability will have minimum limits of:
- \$500,000 per accident
  - \$500,000 disease limit
  - \$500,000 disease – policy limit
- d. **Errors and Omissions** - Coverage shall include professional liability insurance, to cover claims arising out of negligent acts, errors or omissions of professional advice, privacy and network security insurance covering for losses arising from disclosure of confidential information, or other professional services.
- \$1,000,000 per occurrence

***\*The required minimum limit of liability shown in a. and b. may be provided in the form of "Excess Insurance" or "Commercial Umbrella Policies." In which case, a "Following Form Endorsement" will be required on the "Excess Insurance Policy" or "Commercial Umbrella Policy."***

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### Lee County Insurance Requirements Includes Professional Liability

#### **Verification of Coverage:**

1. Coverage shall be in place prior to the commencement of any work and throughout the duration of the contract. A certificate of insurance will be provided to the Risk Manager for review and approval. The certificate shall provide for the following:

**a. Under the Description of Operations, the following must read as listed:**

*"Lee County, a political subdivision and Charter County of the State of Florida, its agents, employees, and public officials are automatic additional insureds and includes an automatic waiver of subrogation with regard to general liability. The certificate holder is an additional insured on a primary and noncontributory basis with regards to general liability."*

**b. The certificate holder must read as follows:**

Lee County, a political subdivision and Charter County of the State of Florida  
P.O. Box 398  
Fort Myers, Florida 33902

#### **Special Requirements:**

1. An appropriate "Indemnification" clause shall be made a provision of the contract.
2. It is the responsibility of the general contractor to ensure that all subcontractors comply with all insurance requirements.

End of Insurance Guide section

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**FEDERAL PROCUREMENT SUPPLEMENTAL CLAUSES TO INCLUDE APPENDIX II**

**The following clauses shall apply to any Purchase Orders/Contracts issued under a declaration of emergency and/or where federal funds apply. All clauses shall apply unless stated below, due to threshold.**

**NOTICE TO CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR REGARDING FEDERAL FUNDING**

When property or services are procured using funds derived from a Federal grant or Agreement whether direct to the County or “pass-through” from another entity, the County is required to and will follow the Federal procurement standards in the “Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards”, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Sections 200.317 through 200.327.

CONTRACTOR, further referred to as CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR within this section, shall work with the County under this Agreement to assure that it will comply with the following statutes and regulations to the extent applicable:

- (1) 2 CFR, Part 200 – Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards; Appendix II
- (2) The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, Public Law 93-288, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq., and Related Authorities
- (3) Sections 1361(A) of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, 42 U.S.C. 4104c, as amended by the National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994, Public Law 103-325 and the Bunning-Bereuter-Blumenauer Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2004, Public Law 108-264
- (4) 31 CFR Part 25 Rules and Procedures for Funds Transfers

**Contract Cost and Price:** For every procurement in excess of the Simplified Acquisition Threshold, including contract modifications, the County shall perform a cost or price analysis in connection with every procurement subject to Federal procurement guidelines, which shall include an independent estimate of cost prior to issuing bids or proposals. For proposals where price is not considered in the award, profit shall be negotiated as a separate element of the price. In determining whether profit is fair and reasonable, the County shall consider the complexity of work, the risk to be borne by the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR, the CONSULTANTS/CONTRACTORS/VENDORS investment, the amount of subcontracting necessary, the quality of the CONSULTANTS/CONTRACTORS/VENDOR’s record and past performance, and industry profit rates for the surrounding geographical area. “Cost Plus Percentage” methods for determining profit may not be used.

**FEDERAL CLAUSES****1. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:**

1.1. During the performance of this contract, the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR agrees as follows:

- 1.1.1. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation,

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gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment, or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the contracting officer setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

- 1.1.2. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
- 1.1.3. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR's legal duty to furnish information.
- 1.1.4. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR's commitments under section 202 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- 1.1.5. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- 1.1.6. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the contracting agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- 1.1.7. In the event of the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR's non-compliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of such rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- 1.1.8. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will include the provisions of paragraphs

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(a) through (h) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each sub-CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as may be directed by the Secretary of Labor as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, that in the event the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a sub-CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR as a result of such direction, the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

### 2. MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS:

- 2.1. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will keep and maintain adequate records and supporting documentation applicable to all of the services, work, information, expense, costs, invoices, and materials provided and performed pursuant to the requirements of this agreement. Said records and documentation will be retained by the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR for a minimum of five (5) years from the date of termination of this agreement, or for such period is required by law.
- 2.2. CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR shall provide when requested, access by the County, Federal granting agency, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives to any books, documents, papers, and records of the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts, and transcriptions.
- 2.3. CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
- 2.4. CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR agrees to provide the GRANT AGENCY Administrator or his authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.
- 2.5. CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR shall retain all records associated with this solicitation and any agreements that are created in response to the solicitation for a period of no less than five (5) years after final payments and all other pending matters are closed.
- 2.6. The County and its authorized agents shall, with reasonable prior notice, have the right to audit, inspect and copy all such records and documentation as often as the County deems necessary during the period of this agreement, and during the period as outlined in the paragraphs above; provided, however, such activities shall be conducted only during normal business hours of the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR and at the expense of the County.

### 3. DHS SEAL, LOGO, AND FLAGS:

- 3.1. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR shall not use the DHS seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific GRANT AGENCY pre-approval. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR shall include this provision in any subcontracts.

**EXHIBIT J PROJECT FUNDING PACKAGE****4. LOCAL VENDOR PREFERENCE EXCLUSION:**

- 4.1. Local Vendor Preference Ordinance has been waived for this service/purchase request and any and all references contained herein are non-applicable to this request and subsequent contract and/or purchase order(s).

**5. COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL LAW, REGULATIONS, and EXECUTIVE ORDERS:**

- 5.1. This is an acknowledgment that GRANT AGENCY financial assistance will be used to fund all or a portion of the contract. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will comply with all applicable federal law, regulations, executive orders, GRANT AGENCY policies, procedures, and directives.

**6. NO OBLIGATION BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:**

- 6.1. The Federal Government is not a party to this solicitation and/or contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the Solicitation.

**7. FRAUD and FALSE OR FRAUDULENT OR RELATED ACTS:**

- 7.1. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chapter 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDORS actions pertaining to this solicitation and/or contract.

**8. SUBCONTRACTS:**

- 8.1. The selected firm must require compliance with all federal requirements of all sub-CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDORS performing work for Prime CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR under this Agreement, by including these federal requirements in all contracts with sub-CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDORS.

**9. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:**

- 9.1. No employee, officer, or agent may participate in the selection, award, or administration of a contract supported by a Federal award if he or she has a real or apparent conflict of interest. Such a conflict of interest would arise when the employee, officers, or agent, any member of his or her immediate family, his or her partner, or an organization that employs or is about to employ any of the parties indicated herein, has a financial or other interest in or a tangible personal benefit from a firm considered for a contract. The officers, employees, and agents of the non-Federal entity must neither solicit nor accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDORS or parties to subcontracts.

**10. EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION SYSTEM (E-VERIFY):**

- 10.1. Statutes and Executive Orders require employers to abide by the Immigration laws of the United States and to employ only individuals who are eligible to work in the United States. The Employment Eligibility Verification System (E-Verify) operated by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) in partnership with the Social Security Administration (SSA) to provides an internet-based means of verifying the employment eligibility of workers in the United States; it is not a substitute for any other employment eligibility verification requirements.

- 10.2. Sub-CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR requirement: Vendors shall require all



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subcontracted vendors to flow down the requirement to use E-Verify to sub-CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDORS.

- 10.3. It shall be the vendor's responsibility to familiarize themselves with all rules and regulations governing this program.
- 10.4. For additional information regarding the Employment Eligibility Verification System (E-Verify) program visit the following website: <http://www.dhs.gov/E-Verify>.

**11. ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT:**

- 11.1. CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR must follow any mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6201).

**12. SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESS, WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES, AND LABOR SURPLUS AREA FIRMS:**

- 12.1. If subcontracts are to be let, the prime CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR is required to take all necessary steps identified in 2 C.F.R. § 200.321(b)(1)-(5) to ensure that small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.
- a) Place qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists.
  - b) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources.
  - c) Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.
  - d) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises.
  - e) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises.

**13. DOMESTIC PREFERENCES FOR PROCUREMENT (2 C.F.R. § 200.322):**

- 13.1. As appropriate and to the greatest extent consistent with law, the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR should, to the greatest extent practicable, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). The requirements of this section must be included in all sub-awards including all contracts and purchase orders for work or products under this award. 2 C.F.R. § 200.322 also provides specific definitions for "Produced in the United States" and "manufactured products" that states should review.

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- 13.1.1. Produced in the United States means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.
- 13.1.2. Manufactured products means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

#### **14. PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING FOR COVERED TELECOMMUNICATIONS OR SERVICES (2 C.F.R. § 200.216):**

14.1 The Contractor shall comply with 2 C.F.R. § 200.216, Prohibition on Contracting for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services:

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause, the terms backhaul; covered foreign country; covered telecommunications equipment or services; interconnection arrangements; roaming; substantial or essential component; and telecommunications equipment or services have the meaning as defined in FEMA Policy 405-143-1, Prohibitions on Expending FEMA Award Funds for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services (Interim), as used in this clause—

(b) Prohibitions.

(1) Section 889(b) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, Pub. L. No. 115-232, and 2 C.F.R. § 200.216 prohibit the head of an executive agency on or after Aug.13, 2020, from obligating or expending grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds on certain telecommunications products or from certain entities for national security reasons.

(2) Unless an exception in paragraph (c) of this clause applies, the contractor and its subcontractors may not use grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to:

- (i) Procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;
- (ii) Enter into, extend, or renew a contract to procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;
- (iii) Enter into, extend, or renew contracts with entities that use covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system; or
- (iv) Provide, as part of its performance of this contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system.

(c) Exceptions.

(1) This clause does not prohibit contractors from providing—

- (i) A service that connects to the facilities of a third party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
- (ii) Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

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- (2) By necessary implication and regulation, the prohibitions also do not apply to:
- (i) Covered telecommunications equipment or services that:
    - i. Are not used as a substantial or essential component of any system; and
    - ii. Are not used as critical technology of any system.
  - (ii) Other telecommunications equipment or services that are not considered covered telecommunications equipment or services.
- (d) Reporting requirement.
- (1) In the event the contractor identifies covered telecommunications equipment or services used as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, during contract performance, or the contractor is notified of such by a subcontractor at any tier or by any other source, the contractor shall report the information in paragraph (d)(2) of this clause to the recipient or sub-recipient unless elsewhere in this contract are established procedures for reporting the information.
  - (2) The Contractor shall report the following information pursuant to paragraph (d)(1) of this clause:
    - (i) Within one business day from the date of such identification or notification: The contract number; the order number(s), if applicable; supplier name; supplier unique entity identifier (if known); supplier Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code (if known); brand; model number (original equipment manufacturer number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number); item description; and any readily available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended.
    - (ii) Within 10 business days of submitting the information in paragraph (d)(2)(i) of this clause: Any further available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended. In addition, the contractor shall describe the efforts it undertook to prevent the use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services and any additional efforts that will be incorporated to prevent future use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services.
- (e) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (e), in all subcontracts and other contractual instruments.”

**15. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE AND/OR CONVENIENCE (for projects greater than \$10,000):**

- 15.1. The County, by written notice to the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR, may terminate this Agreement with or without cause, in whole or in part, when the County determines in its sole discretion that it is in the County’s best interest to do so. In the event of termination, the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will not incur any new obligations for the terminated portion of the Agreement after the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR has received notification of termination.
- 15.2. If the Agreement is terminated before performance is completed, the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR shall be paid only for that work satisfactorily performed for which costs can be substantiated. Such payment, however, may not exceed an amount that is the same percentage of the Agreement price as the amount of work satisfactorily completed is a percentage of the total work called for by this Agreement. All work in progress shall become the property of the County and shall be turned over promptly by the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR.

**EXHIBIT J PROJECT FUNDING PACKAGE****16. CHANGES:**

- 2.1. Changes to any federal grant or federally funded cooperative agreement shall be in writing, executed by change order and the costs of any change, modification, change order, or constructive change must be allowable, allocable, and within the original scope of the federal grant or federal cooperative agreement. Changes should be reasonable and necessary for the completion of the original project scope. Any changes must be permissible under state, local and federal laws. Any change recommended and accepted by both parties, in writing, will not be considered a contract breach. Modifications to alter the method, price, or schedule of the work for any reason shall be completed following the terms and provisions of the associated contract documents. No changes to the contract documents or the performance provided shall be made unless the same is in writing and signed by both the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR and the County.

**17. LICENSE AND DELIVERY OF WORKS SUBJECT TO COPYRIGHT AND DATA RIGHTS:**

- 17.1. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR grants to the County, a paid-up, royalty-free, nonexclusive, irrevocable, worldwide license in data first produced in the performance of this contract to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use, including preparing derivative works, distributing copies to the public, and perform publicly and display publicly such data. For data required by the contract but not first produced in the performance of this contract, the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will identify such data and grant to the County or acquires on its behalf a license of the same scope as for data first produced in the performance of this contract. Data, as used herein, shall include any work subject to copyright under 17 U.S.C. § 102, for example, any written reports or literary works, software and/or source code, music, choreography, pictures or images, graphics, sculptures, videos, motion pictures or other audiovisual works, sound and/or video recordings, and architectural works. Upon or before the completion of this contract, the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will deliver to the County data first produced in the performance of this contract and data required by the contract but not first produced in the performance of this contract in formats acceptable by the County.”

**18. TIME & MATERIAL, TIME & EQUIPMENT, FIRM FIXED PRICE LUMP SUM CONTRACTS:**

- 18.1. The following applies to purchases made or reimbursed with Federal funds as per 2 CFR 200.318(j) and other Federal Regulations. For a firm fixed price, lump sum, Time & Material (T&M), and/or Time & Equipment (T&E) procurements, a Purchase Order represents a CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR’s Notice to Proceed (NTP). Line-item Extended Price(s) shall be considered Not to Exceed (NTE) ceiling value(s). Additionally, the Total Order value for a Purchase Order represents an NTE ceiling value. If the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR anticipates exceeding either of these NTE values, they should contact the Lee County Procurement Department for a change order. If a CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR exceeds a Line Item or Total Order NTE value, it does so at its own risk.

**19. SUSPENSION AND DEBARMENT (for projects greater than \$25,000):**

- 19.1. This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR is required to verify that none of the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR, its principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995), or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or

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disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. §180.935).

- 19.2. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
- 19.3. This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by the awarded CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR. If it is later determined that the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt.180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to Lee County, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
- 19.4. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower-tier covered transactions.

**20. RECOVERED MATERIALS** (for projects greater than \$10,000):

- 20.1. In the performance of this contract, the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired:
  - Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
  - Meeting contract performance requirements; or
  - At a reasonable price.
- 20.2. Information about this requirement is available on the EPA'S Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines website, <http://www.epa.gov/cpg/> The list of EPA- designate items is available at <http://www.epa.gov/cpg/products/htm>
- 20.3. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 or the Solid Waste Disposal Act.

**21. REMEDIES** (for projects greater than Simplified Acquisition Threshold - \$250,000):

- 21.1. In the event the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR fails to satisfactorily perform or has failed to adhere to the terms and conditions under this Agreement, the County may, upon fifteen (15) calendar days written notice to the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR and upon the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR's failure to cure within those fifteen (15) calendar days, exercise any one or more of the following remedies, either concurrently or consecutively:
  - 21.1.1. Withhold or suspend the payment of all or any part of a payment request.
  - 21.1.2. Require that the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR refund to the County any

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monies used for ineligible purposes under the laws, rules, and regulations governing the use of these funds.

- 21.1.3. Exercise any corrective or remedial actions, including but not limited to:
- 21.1.4. Requesting additional information from the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR to determine the reasons for or the extent of non-compliance or lack of performance;
- 21.1.5. Issuing a written warning to advise that more serious measures may be taken if the situation is not corrected;
- 21.1.6. Advising the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR to suspend, discontinue or refrain from incurring costs for any activities in question; or
- 21.1.7. Requiring the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR to reimburse the County for the amount of costs incurred for any items determined to be ineligible.

### **22. OTHER REMEDIES AND RIGHTS:**

- 22.1. Pursuing any of the above remedies will not keep the County from pursuing any other rights or remedies, which may be otherwise available under law or in equity. If the County waives any right or remedy in this Agreement or fails to insist on strict performance by the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR, it will not affect, extend, or waive any other right or remedy of the County, or affect the later exercise of the same right or remedy by the County for any other default by the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR.
- 22.2. Unless otherwise provided by the Contract, all claims, counterclaims, disputes, and other matters in question between the County and the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR arising out of or relating to the Agreement between the parties, or the breach of it, that cannot be resolved by and between the parties after conferring in good faith, will be decided by a court of competent jurisdiction pursuant to Florida law. If such a dispute is in state court, the venue shall be in the Twentieth Judicial Circuit Court in and for Lee County, Florida. If in federal court, the venue shall be in the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida, Ft. Myers Division.

### **23. CONTRACT WORK HOURS & SAFETY STANDARDS (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708):** (for projects greater than \$100,000):

- 23.1. Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.
- 23.2. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause outlined in paragraph (1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible

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therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or territory, to such District or such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause outlined in paragraph (1) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause outlined in paragraph (1) of this section.

- 23.3. Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The State of Florida Division of Emergency Management shall upon its action or written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any money payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause outlined in paragraph (2) of this section.
- 23.4. Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses outlined in paragraph (1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower-tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower-tier subcontractor with the clauses outlined in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section.

### **24. CLEAN AIR ACT (for projects greater than \$150,000):**

- 24.1. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued under the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
- 24.2. The contractor agrees to report each violation to the GRANT AGENCY and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency and understands and agrees that the GRANT AGENCY and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the County, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- 24.3. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by GRANT AGENCY.

### **25. FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT:**

- 25.1. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
- 25.2. The contractor agrees to report each violation to the GRANT AGENCY and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency and understands and agrees that the GRANT AGENCY and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency will, in turn, report each

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violation as required to assure notification to the County, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

- 25.3. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by GRANT AGENCY.

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**27. BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT (for projects greater than \$100,000):**

- 27.1. CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDORS who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with nonfederal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient.

**28. RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS MADE UNDER A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT:**

- 28.1. If the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37C.F.R. § 401.2(a) and Lee County enters into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the County must comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. Part 401 (Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements), and any implementing regulations issued by the Federal Awarding Agency. See 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II(F).

**29. FLY AMERICA REQUIREMENTS:**

- 29.1. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. 40118 (the "Fly America" Act) in accordance with the General Services Administration's regulations at 41 C.F.R. Part 301-10, which provide that recipients and sub-recipients of Federal funds and their contractors are required to use U.S. Flag air carriers for U.S. Government-financed international air travel and transportation of their personal effects or property, to the extent such service is available, unless travel by foreign air carrier is a matter of necessity, as defined by the Fly America Act. The Contractor shall submit, if a foreign air carrier was used, an appropriate certification or memorandum adequately explaining why service by a U.S. flag air carrier was not available or why it was necessary to use a foreign air carrier and shall, in any event, provide a certificate of compliance with the Fly America requirements. The Contractor agrees to include the requirements of this section in all subcontracts that may involve international air transportation.

**30. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA):**

- 30.1. All design and construction must be accessible to individuals with disabilities pursuant to Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

**31. CARGO PREFERENCE:**

- 31.1. The Cargo Preference requirements apply to all contracts involving equipment, materials, or commodities which may be transported by ocean vessels.

- 31.2. Use of United States – Flag Vessels:



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- 31.3. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR agrees to use privately owned United States-Flag commercial vessels to ship at least 50 percent of the gross tonnage (computed separately for dry bulk carriers, dry cargo liners, and tankers) involved, whenever shipping any equipment, material, or commodities pursuant to the underlying Contract to the extent such vessels are available at fair and reasonable rates for United States- Flag commercial vessels.
- 31.4. Furnish within twenty (20) business days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the United States or within thirty (30) business days following the date of leading for shipments originating outside the United States, a legible copy of a rated, "on-board" commercial ocean bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo described in the preceding 6 paragraph to the Division of National Cargo, Office of Market Development, Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590 and to LCBOCC (through the Contractor in the case of a subcontractor's bill-of-lading.)
- 31.5. Include these requirements in all subcontracts issued pursuant to the Contract when the subcontract may involve the transport of equipment, material, or commodities by ocean vessel.

**32. SEISMIC SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF NEW BUILDINGS OR ADDITION TO EXISTING BUILDINGS:**

- 32.1. CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR agrees that any new building or addition to an existing building will be designed and constructed in accordance with the standards for Seismic Safety required in Department of Transportation Seismic Safety Regulations 49 C.F.R. Part 41 and will certify compliance to the extent required by the regulation. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR also agrees to ensure that all Work performed under the Contract including Work performed by a subcontractor is in compliance with the standards required by the Seismic Safety Regulations and the certification of compliance issued on the project.

**33. ENERGY CONSERVATION:**

- 33.1. CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR agrees to comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the Florida energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended, 42 USC § 6321 et seq., and perform an energy assessment for any building constructed, reconstructed, or modified with Federal funds required under Federal regulations, "Requirements for Energy Assessment," 49 CFR part 622, subpart C.

**End of Supplemental Conditions**

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### SPECIAL CONDITIONS

These are conditions that are in relation to this solicitation only and have not been included in the County's standard Terms and Conditions or the Scope of Work.

#### 1. LOCAL VENDOR PREFERENCE EXCLUSION

1.1. Local Vendor Preference Ordinance has been waived for this solicitation and any and all references contained herein are non-applicable to this solicitation and subsequent Agreement and/or purchase order(s).

#### 2. FEMA REIMBURSEMENT

2.1. Work completed under this Agreement may be reimbursed by FEMA as a result of an emergency or disaster. The Vendor(s) agrees to abide by and comply with all Federal terms, conditions, provisions, certifications, affidavits, or otherwise as applicable and stated within this solicitation package. Vendors are required to comply in accordance with Federal Grant Requirements, 2 CFR part 200, terms, conditions, and specifications.

#### 3. CONDUCT

3.1. Vendor agrees that all officers, employees and representatives shall conduct themselves in a professional manner and shall communicate with County employees and members of the public in a civil manner whenever conducting County business. All aspects of Vendor's performance, including complaints received from the public, may impact the County's decision to renew or terminate this Agreement in accordance with the provision contained here. Vendor shall remove or suspend, or further investigate, their employees for any act of violence, sexual harassment, substance abuse, or act of bigotry/prejudice.

#### 4. COST ANALYSIS / MULTIPLIER BREAK-DOWN

4.1. Upon commencement of negotiations, CONSULTANT inclusive of SUB-CONSULTANT is expected to provide a proposal or fee that includes a detailed cost breakdown including General and Administrative Expenses, Overhead, Profit rates and expected reimbursable expenses. CONSULTANT/SUB-CONSULTANT must advise if audited rates are available and shall provide such rates and documentation for use in negotiation, project funding support, and/or completion of a Cost Analysis. CONSULTANT/SUB-CONSULTANT shall provide fee and cost breakdown supporting documentation where and as requested by the County and funding source.

#### 5. PROJECT TERM

5.1. The successful bidder shall be responsible for furnishing and delivering to the Lee County requesting Department(s) the commodity or services on an "as needed basis" for one (1) three-year (3) period.

#### 6. PROJECT FUNDING NOTICE

6.1. As notice to all CONSULTANTS, individual projects may be funded in whole or in part with state and/or federal funds. The CONSULTANT agrees to abide by and comply with all terms, conditions, provisions, certifications, affidavits, or otherwise as applicable and stated within this solicitation package. It shall be further understood that these provisions and terms shall be incorporated into any related Agreements/Contracts executed between the prime CONSULTANT and SUB-CONSULTANTS when State or Federal funding is used.

6.1.1. Provided with this solicitation are Supplemental Conditions that must be followed when federal funds are used. The CONSULTANT shall be required to abide by and comply with all terms, conditions, provisions, and equivalent as found therein and associated with the Procurement Type. All such referenced terms and clauses shall be passed down from Prime CONSULTANT to all SUB-CONSULTANTS as described herein.

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- 6.1.2. By participating in this solicitation, the CONSULTANT shall comply with all federal, state, and local regulations, including, but not limited to, nondiscrimination, wages, social security, worker's compensation, licenses, and registration requirements.
- 6.1.3. No person, on the grounds of race, creed, color, religion, national origin, age, gender, or disability, shall be excluded from participation in: be denied the proceeds or benefits of; or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in performance on this Agreement.
- 6.1.4. This solicitation shall be governed by and construed in accordance with all applicable State and Federal laws, rules, and regulations, included those identified in the solicitation package. Any express reference in this solicitation and any related Agreements/Contracts executed between the prime CONSULTANT and SUB-CONSULTANTS to a particular statute, rule, or regulation in no way implies that no other statute, rule, or regulation applies.
- 6.1.5. The CONSULTANT shall be bound by the terms as stated within this solicitation package, any and all associated Agreement(s), and by all applicable state and federal laws and regulations, and the CONSULTANT shall hold the Federal Transit Authority and Lee County harmless against all claims of whatever nature arising out of the CONSULTANT'S performance of work under this solicitation, to the extent allowed and required by law.
- 6.1.6. The CONSULTANT shall indicate whether the CONSULTANT and/or SUB-CONSULTANTS are Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE). The COUNTY encourages the utilization and participation of DBEs in procurements, and evaluation proceedings will be conducted within the established guidelines regarding equal employment opportunity and nondiscriminatory action based upon the grounds of race, color, sex or national origin. Interested certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) firms as well as other minority-owned firms are encouraged to respond.

### **7. APPLICABLE & MISCELLANEOUS PROJECT PROVISIONS**

- 7.1. In the event of a conflict between the Contract Document terms, Federal Guidelines, State, Local, or other applicable requirements associated with this project that is unable to be resolved through the Order of Precedence as defined herein, the CONSULTANT should provide a written description of such conflict to the County Project Manager in order to receive final guidance on proceeding with conflicted items.
- 7.2. Per Florida Statute 287.057 (23): "Respondents to this solicitation or persons acting on their behalf may not contact, between the release of the solicitation and the end of the 72-hour period following the agency posting the notice of intended award, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays, any employee or officer of the executive or legislative branch concerning any aspect of this solicitation, except in writing to the procurement officer or as provided in the solicitation documents. Violation of this provision may be grounds for rejecting a response."
- 7.3. **Prohibition Against Contingent Fees**
- 7.3.1. In accordance with F.S. 287.055(6), The architect (or registered surveyor and mapper or professional engineer, as applicable) warrants that he or she has not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the architect (or registered surveyor and mapper, or professional engineer, as applicable) to solicit or secure this agreement and that he or she has not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation, individual, or firm, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the architect (or registered surveyor and mapper or professional engineer, as applicable) any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this agreement.

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### 8. LICENSING

8.1. As notice to all CONSULTANTS, upon the request of the County and prior to the execution of associated Contract, the awarded CONSULTANT shall provide all current licenses of employees hired by CONSULTANT and/or SUB-CONSULTANT, which shall be assigned to this project.

### 9. RFP - TIEBREAKER

9.1. The standard County tiebreaker terms are hereby revised for this project to be as follows:

9.1.1. In the event of a tie, two or more proposers that have the same ranking, the following steps will be taken to determine the highest ranked proposer. This method shall be used for all (RFP) ties.

9.1.1.1. Step 1: The proposer that has the highest number of 1<sup>st</sup> place rankings shall be deemed the first ranked proposer. In the event a tie still exists the proposer with the highest number of 2<sup>nd</sup> place rankings shall be the first ranked proposer. Should a tie still remain the method used above will continue with each ranking level, 3<sup>rd</sup>, then 4<sup>th</sup>, then 5<sup>th</sup>, etc. rank, will be counted until the tie is broken.

9.1.1.2. Step 2: In the event the tie exists then the highest ranked proposer from the first evaluation committee meeting, in which point values were applied, will win the award. One being the highest.

9.1.2. When the tiebreaker is determined the highest ranked Proposer shall be awarded the contract or receive the first opportunity to negotiate, as applicable.

9.1.3. If an award or negotiation is unsuccessful with the highest ranked Proposer, award or negotiations may commence with the next highest ranked Proposer.

### 10. INSPECTOR GENERAL

10.1. Pursuant to Florida Statute 20.055(5), CONSULTANT shall cooperate and comply with the inspector general in any investigation, audit, inspection, review, or hearing pursuant to Florida Statute 20.055.

10.2. By participating in this solicitation, the CONSULTANT shall permit the State of Florida Department of Transportation authorized representatives to inspect all work, materials, payrolls, records; and to audit the books, records and accounts pertaining to the financing and development of the project.

### 11. AUTHORIZATION OF WORK

11.1. This is a "Master" contract, which is not for any specific project. Work will be negotiated, authorized, scheduled, funded, and accounted for by the issuance of Supplemental Task Authorizations (STAs)/Purchase Order, by the requesting department, division or other governmental entity. No amount of work is guaranteed upon the execution of a Professional Services Agreement. This contract does not entitle any firm to exclusive rights to COUNTY contracts. The COUNTY reserves the right to perform any and all available required work in-house or by any other means it so desires. COUNTY reserves the right to add or delete, at any time, any or all tasks or services associated with this agreement.

End of Special Conditions

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### DETAILED SPECIFICATIONS

#### **1. GENERAL SCOPE**

- 1.1. The Lee County Board of County Commissioners seeks to contract with a qualified CONSULTANT to perform HVAC, Plumbing Mechanical, Electrical and telecommunications engineering services under a prepositioned contract to be used during emergency and exigent circumstances that required adherence to Federal Procurement Regulations, Laws, and Guidelines.
- 1.2. CONSULTANT will be responsible for providing complete engineering services for a wide range of projects or systems, which may include but not be limited to single and multi-story facilities, fire pumps, electrical systems, HVAC systems, Fire sprinklers, Alarms etc.
- 1.3. Awarded CONSULTANT shall be responsible for performing services for multiple County facilities across multiple departments after a triggering event.
- 1.4. CONSULTANT shall have the means and capacity to fulfill the needs of the County immediately after the triggering event.
- 1.5. Work shall include but not be limited to analysis of existing facilities, preparation of reports, design, construction drawings, technical specifications, permitting, preparation of bid packages, construction observation/administration, inspections, conceptual estimates for new construction and renovation/retrofit projects, as-built drawings, and warranty inspections.
- 1.6. The CONSULTANT shall be responsible for knowledge of and compliance with all relative local, state, and federal codes and regulations.
- 1.7. There is no work guaranteed as a result of being selected for this prepositioned contract.

#### **2. PROJECT CRITERIA**

- 2.1. Anticipated Services include but are not limited to:
  - 2.1.1. Design.
  - 2.1.2. Construction drawings (AutoCAD).
  - 2.1.3. Construction specifications.
  - 2.1.4. Permitting.
  - 2.1.5. Bidding and negotiation services.
  - 2.1.6. Construction observation/administration.
  - 2.1.7. Energy management program evaluations.
  - 2.1.8. Conceptual estimates for new construction and renovation/retrofit projects.
  - 2.1.9. Analysis of existing systems.
  - 2.1.10. As built drawings (AutoCAD drawing).
  - 2.1.11. Perform eleventh month warranty inspection.

End of Detailed Specifications

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## SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS &amp; EVALUATION CRITERIA

**1. SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS & EVALUATION CRITERIA**

- 1.1 Interested firms shall include the following information in their submittal responses to this solicitation. The following format and sequence should be followed in order to provide consistency in the firm's responses and to ensure each proposal receives full consideration. Use 8 ½ x 11 sheet pages only with minimum font size of 10 points and with tabs or section dividers to separate sections as defined below. More than one section is permitted on one page unless otherwise indicated below. Undesignated information shall be inserted at the rear of each package. Place page numbers at the bottom of every page, excluding dividers. Proposal documents should not contain links to other web pages; such links will not be reviewed for evaluation purposes.
- 1.2 Submittal package may not exceed **10 pages** printed single-sided; **page restriction excludes required forms found herein and dividers**. **PLEASE INCLUDE PAGE TABS/SECTION DIVIDERS** so that those evaluating your submittal can easily compare each section with others that are submitted. If any of the information provided by the Proposer is found to be, in the sole opinion of the Evaluation Committee and Procurement Management Director, substantially unreliable their proposal may be rejected.
- 1.3 Proposers shall submit one (1) original hard copy (clearly marked as such) and one (1) electronic version on a USB flash drive set(s) containing the proposal submittal in an unlocked PDF format. The County may request specific files be submitted in specialty format (IE: Provide a Project Timeline in Excel format.) Vendor shall accommodate such specialty requests as stated within the submittal requirements describe herein. Should files not be provided in the format or quantity as requested Vendor may be deemed non-Responsive and therefore ineligible for award. In case of any discrepancies, the original will be considered by the County in evaluating the Proposal, and the electronic version is provided for the County's administrative convenience only. Limit the color and number of images to avoid unmanageable file sizes.

**COVER PAGE: Introduction**

- Project RFP Number & Name
- Firm's Name & Address
- Firm's Contact Person & Information (phone, fax and email address)
- How many years has Proposer been in business under present name?
- Under what other former names has your organization operated?

*\*Cover Page: Introduction does NOT count towards page restriction requested herein.\**

**TAB 1: Qualifications of Firm**

- Provide a description of your firm, your firm's experience, and underlying philosophy in providing the services as described and requested herein. Description should include details such as: abilities, capacity, skill, strengths, number of years, location of office(s), as well as MBE, WBE, DBE, VBE or similar status, and recent, current, and/or projected workload, etc...
  - a. What is the capacity of the firm in the event of a disaster to provide consulting to multiple County Departments?

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**TAB 2: Company Relevant Experience & Reference**

- Provide details of a maximum of three (3) projects that your firm has completed recently that required the firm to follow federal guidelines. These can be federally funded grant projects or FEMA Public Assistance funded. If your firm has not completed and federally funded projects, please provide details of 3 recently completed projects that required the type of engineering requested by this solicitation. Details for each project example provided should include:
  - Project Name
  - Project Address
  - Customer Name
  - Customer Contact Information
    - Point of contact Name, Phone, and Email
  - Brief description of work provided.
  - Funding Type: E.g., Federal, State, Local.
  - Initial costs of work
  - Final costs of work
  - Number of change orders
  - Total completion time (From Notice to Proceed to Final Invoice payment)
- Provide a statement of understanding that your firm recognizes the County reserves the right to evaluate the proposing Firm on their past performance and prior dealings with Lee County (i.e., failure to meet specifications, poor workmanship, late delivery, etc.) as part of their experience criteria.

**TAB 3: Firm Plan of Approach**

- Provide a detailed Plan of Approach that explains how your firm intends to comply with and meet the anticipated deliverables as detailed within this solicitation. Be sure to address the following as well.
  - How quickly can the firm respond to emergency requests after a disaster.

**TAB 4: Personnel**

- Provide a detailed description of the firm's **specific** project management team, inclusive of sub-Consultants anticipated to be utilized, that will be assigned to the Lee County contract. Identify the roles and responsibilities of the primary team members as they pertain/apply to the Project Approach and include details that demonstrate individual's knowledge and understanding of the types of services to be performed as well as previous experience in similar or related work.
- Firm must identify staff member that will serve as Project Director that shall be authorized and responsible to act on behalf of the Consultant with respect to directing, coordinating and administering all aspects of the services to be provided and performed.
- Provide a statement acknowledging your firm's understanding that the project management team/key team members assigned to the Lee County contract, as described above, shall not be substituted without the expressed permission of Lee County.
- Provide resumes, licensure, and certifications of proposed **specific** project management team, inclusive of sub-Consultants anticipated to be utilized, to be assigned to the Lee County contract.
  - \*Resumes are not included within page restrictions, but should be limited to one (1) page per person.\**
  - \*Firms are encouraged to submit valid copies of MBE, WBE, DBE, VBE or similar certifications for adequate committee consideration.\**

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**TAB 5: Required Forms**

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**2. SCORING CRITERIA & WEIGHT**

CRITERIA / TAB	CRITERIA DESCRIPTION	MAX. POINTS AVAILABLE
1	QUALIFICATIONS OF FIRM	30
2	COMPANY RELEVANT EXPERIENCE & REFERENCE	20
3	FIRM PLAN OF APPROACH	30
4	PERSONNEL	20
<b>TOTAL POINTS</b>		<b>100</b>
<i>*Additional details and documents found within submittal package, although not located within tabs as listed above, may be reviewed and considered by evaluation committee when scoring Proposers.</i>		

**3. RFP SUBMISSION SCHEDULE**

Submission Description	Date(s)	Time
Advertise Request for Proposal (RFP)	Friday, September 1, 2023	N/A
Pre-Proposal Meeting	N/A	N/A
Proposal Question Deadline	8 Calendar days prior to submission deadline	Prior to 5:00 PM
Submission Deadline	Wednesday, October 4, 2023	Prior to 2:30 PM
First Committee Meeting & Discussion	Monday, October 23, 2023	TBD
Notify Shortlist Selection via e-mail (If applicable)	Monday October 23, 2023	N/A
Final Scoring/Selection Meeting (If applicable)	Thursday, November 9, 2023	TBD
Board Meeting	TBD	9:30 AM
<b>Additional notes on Submission Schedule:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Submission Schedule is provided as a guideline only and is subject to change at the discretion of Lee County authorized personnel.</i></li> <li>• <i>Changes in closing date or other parameters may occur and will be posted to the Lee County Procurement website. It shall be the responsibility of Contractor to verify all dates through County website.</i></li> <li>• <i>Unless otherwise stated, location of all openings and meetings will take place at <b>2115 Second Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Fort Myers, FL 33901.</b></i></li> </ul>		

*End of Submittal Requirements & Evaluation Criteria Section*



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## LEE COUNTY DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT FORM

For

**CN230542NAT Mechanical, Plumbing, HVAC, & Electrical Engineering Pre-Positioned Federal**

These forms are required as indicated below and all required forms should be submitted with the Bidder's/Proposer's submission package. If it is determined that forms in this selection are not applicable to your company or solicitation they should be marked "N/A or Not Applicable" across the form in large letters and returned with your submission package.

FORM #	TITLE / DESCRIPTION	REQUIRED STATUS (Required, Not Required, If Applicable)	VENDOR CHECK-OFF
1	Solicitation Response Form	Required	
N/A	Business Relationship Disclosure Requirement	If Applicable	
2	Affidavit Certification Immigration Laws	Required	
3	(3) Reference Surveys	Required	
4	Negligence or Breach of Contract Disclosure Form	Required	
5	Sub-Contractor List	Required	
6	Public Entity Crime Form	Required	
7	E-Verify Affidavit	Required	
8	Certification Regarding Lobbying	Required	
8a	Disclosure of Lobbying Activities	If applicable	
9	Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion	Required	
*	Proposal Label	Required	

It is the Bidder's/Proposer's responsibility to review the submittal request in its entirety and ensure that all submittal requirements are included within their submission package. Failure to submit required forms may deem your company as non-responsive.

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FORMS DESCRIPTION & INSTRUCTIONSREQUEST FOR PROPOSAL CCNA

This table provides a brief list, description, and instructions regarding the standard requested forms that should be submitted with all bids or proposals. This is not intended to be an all-inclusive list of forms required for your submission, but rather a guide to assist in completion of the County's standard forms.

**Form #**      **Title/Description**

*1 Solicitation Response Form*

All signatures must be by a corporate authorized representative, witnessed, and corporate and/or notary seal (if applicable.) The corporate or mailing address must match the company information as it is listed on the Florida Department of State Division of Corporations. Attach a copy of the web-page(s) from <http://www.sunbiz.org> as certification of this required information. Sample attached for your reference.

Verify that all addenda and tax identification number have been provided.

*\* Business Relationship Disclosure Requirement*

Sections 112.313(3) and 112.313(7), F.S., prohibit certain business relationships on the part of public officers and employees, their spouses, and their children. If this **disclosure is applicable, the Bidder must request the form entitled "INTEREST IN COMPETITIVE BID FOR PUBLIC BUSINESS"** (Required by § 112.313(12)(b), F.S.) to be completed and **returned with the Solicitation Response. It is the Bidder's responsibility to request the form and disclose this relationship; failure to do so may result in being declared non-responsive.**

NOTICE: UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF § 112.317, F.S., A FAILURE TO MAKE ANY REQUIRED DISCLOSURE CONSTITUTES GROUNDS FOR, AND MAY BE PUNISHED BY, ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING: IMPEACHMENT, REMOVAL OR SUSPENSION FROM OFFICE OR EMPLOYMENT, DEMOTION, REDUCTION IN SALARY, REPRIMAND, OR A CIVIL PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000.00.

*2 Affidavit Certification Immigration Laws*

Form is acknowledgement that the Proposer is in compliance in regard to Immigration Laws.

*3 Reference Survey*

Provide this form to reference respondents. This form **will be turned in with the proposal** package.

1. **Section 1:** Bidder/Proposer to complete with reference respondent's information prior to providing to them for their response. (This is **not** the Bidder/Proposer's information.)
2. **Section 2:** Enter the name of the Bidder/Proposer; provide the project information in which the reference respondent is to provide a response.
3. The reference respondent should complete "**Section 3.**"
4. **Section 4:** The reference respondent to print and sign name
5. **Three (3) Reference responses** are to be **returned with the proposal package.**
6. Failure to obtain reference surveys may make your company non-responsive.

*4 Negligence or Breach of Contract Disclosure Form*

The form may be used to disclose negligence or breach of contract litigation that your company may be a part of over the past ten years. You may need to duplicate this form to list all history. If the Proposer has more than 10 lawsuits, you may narrow them to litigation of the company or subsidiary submitting the solicitation response. Include, at a minimum, litigation for similar projects completed in the State of Florida. Final outcome should include in whose favor the litigation was settled and was a monetary amount awarded. The settlement amount may remain anonymous.

If you have **no litigation, enter "None" in the first "type of incident" block** of the form. Please do not write N/A on this form.

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- 5 *Sub-Contractor/Consultant List (if applicable)*  
To be completed and returned when sub-contractor/consultants are to be utilized and are known at the time of the submission.
- 6 *Public Entity Crimes Form*  
Any person or affiliate as defined by statute who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid or a contract to provide any goods or services to the County; may not submit a bid on a contract with the County for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit bids or leases of real property to the County; may not be awarded or perform works as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with the County, and may not transact business with the County in excess of \$25,000.00 for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.
- 7 *E-Verify Immigration Law Affidavit*  
To be completed by the Consultant with submittal. Certifies that the consultant is fully compliant with all immigration laws, comply and provide proof of enrollment in E-Verify.
- 8 *Certification of Lobbying Activities (Required)*  
To be completed and returned by Consultant with submittal. Certifies that no Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by the Vendor any person for influencing or attempting to influence the awarding of a contract.
- 8a *Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (If applicable)*  
To be completed and returned by Consultant with submittal if applicable. Provides disclosure of lobbying activities.
- 9 *Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion (Required)*  
To be completed and returned by Consultant with submittal. This form certifies that the Consultant is fully compliant with all immigration laws, comply with and provide proof of enrollment in E-Verify program.
- \* *Proposal Label (Required)*  
Self-explanatory. Please affix to the outside of the sealed submission documents.
- \* *Include any licenses or certifications requested*  
Local Business Tax Account (as applicable) issued by City and/or County entity. This is necessary for all Florida vendors.

It is the Proposer's responsibility to ensure the Solicitation Response is mailed or delivered in time to be received no later than the specified opening date and time. (If solicitation is not received prior to deadline it cannot be considered or accepted.)

## EXHIBIT J PROJECT FUNDING PACKAGE

## Form 1 – Solicitation Response Form



**LEE COUNTY PROCUREMENT MANAGEMENT**  
**SOLICITATION RESPONSE FORM**

Date Submitted: 10/04/2023 Submission Deadline Date: 10/4/2023

SOLICITATION IDENTIFICATION: CN230542NAT

SOLICITATION NAME: Mechanical, Plumbing, HVAC, & Electrical Engineering Pre-Positioned Federal

COMPANY NAME: Engineers and Associates, LLC

NAME & TITLE: (TYPED OR PRINTED) Mark Puhnaty & Principal and Owner

BUSINESS ADDRESS: (PHYSICAL) 2519 Hawthorne Street, Sarasota, FL 34239

CORPORATE OR MAILING ADDRESS: 2519 Hawthorne Street, Sarasota, FL 34239

SAME AS PHYSICAL

**ADDRESS MUST MATCH SUNBIZ.ORG**

E-MAIL ADDRESS: mpuhnaty@engineersandassociates.com

PHONE NUMBER: 205-907-0529 FAX NUMBER: N/A

**NOTE REQUIREMENT: IT IS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE VENDOR TO CHECK LEE COUNTY PROCUREMENT MANAGEMENT WEB SITE FOR ANY ADDENDA ISSUED FOR THIS PROJECT. THE COUNTY WILL POST ADDENDA TO THIS WEB PAGE, BUT WILL NOT NOTIFY.**

In submitting this proposal, Proposer makes all representations required by the instructions to Proposer and further warrants and represents that: Proposer has examined copies of all the solicitation documents and the following addenda:

No. _____	Dated: _____	No. _____	Dated: _____	No. _____	Dated: _____
No. _____	Dated: _____	No. _____	Dated: _____	No. _____	Dated: _____

Tax Payer Identification Number: 86-1971730

(1) Employer Identification Number -**OR**- (2) Social Security Number:

**\*\* Lee County collects your social security number for tax reporting purposes only**

Please submit a copy of your registration from the website [www.sunbiz.org](http://www.sunbiz.org) establishing the Proposer/firm as authorized (including authorized representatives) to conduct business in the State of Florida, as provided by the *Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations*.

1 **Collusion Statement:** Lee County, Florida The undersigned, as Proposer, hereby declares that no person or other persons, other than the undersigned, are interested in this solicitation as Principal, and that this solicitation is submitted without collusion with others; and that we have carefully read and examined the specifications or scope of work, and with full knowledge of all conditions under which the services herein is contemplated must be furnished, hereby propose and agree to furnish this service according to the requirements set out in the solicitation documents, specifications or scope of work for said service for the prices as listed on the county provided price sheet or (CCNA) agree to negotiate prices in good faith if a contract is awarded.

2 **Scrutinized Companies Certification:**

Section 287.135, FL § , prohibits agencies from contracting with companies, for goods or services over \$1,000,000, that are on either the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List. Both lists are created pursuant to section 215.473, FL § .

As the person authorized to sign on behalf of Respondent, I hereby certify that the company identified above not listed on either the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List. I understand that pursuant to section 287.135, FL § , the submission of a false certification may subject company to civil penalties, attorney's fees, and/or costs.

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3 **Business Relationship Disclosure Requirement:** Sections 112.313(3) and 112.313(7), FL § , prohibit certain business relationships on the part of public officers and employees, their spouses, and their children. See Part III, Chapter 112, FL § and/or the brochure entitled "A Guide to the Sunshine Amendment and Code of Ethics for Public Officers, Candidates and Employees" for more details on these prohibitions. However, Section 112.313(12), FL § (1983), provides certain limited exemptions to the above-referenced prohibitions, including one where the business is awarded under a system of sealed, competitive bidding; the public official has exerted no influence on bid negotiations or specifications; and where disclosure is made, prior to or at the time of the submission of the bid, of the official's or his spouse's or child's interest and the nature of the intended business. The Commission on Ethics has promulgated this form for such disclosure, if and when applicable to a public officer or employee. If this disclosure is applicable request form "INTEREST IN COMPETITIVE BID FOR PUBLIC BUSINESS" (Required by 112.313(12)(b), Florida Statute (1983)) to be completed and returned with solicitation response. It is the Proposer's responsibility to disclose this relationship, failure to do so could result in being declared non-responsive.

Business Relationship Applicable (request form)

Business Relationship NOT Applicable

Disadvantaged, Minority, Women, Veterans Business Enterprise (DBE, MBE, WBE, VBE)

Yes  No

4 Proposer? If yes, please attach a current certificate.

**ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE EXECUTED BY AN AUTHORIZED AUTHORITY OF THE PROPOSER. WITNESSED AND SEALED (IF APPLICABLE)**

Engineers and Associates, LLC

Company Name (Name printed or typed)

Mark Puhnaty

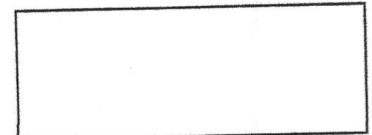
Authorized Representative Name (printed or typed)

Principal and Owner

Authorized Representative's Title (printed or typed)

*Mark Puhnaty*

Authorized Representative's Signature



(Affix Corporate Seal, if applicable)

Candice N Cress

Witnessed/Attested by: (Witness/Secretary name and title printed or typed)

*CC*

Witness/Secretary Signature

Any blank spaces on the form(s), qualifying notes or exceptions, counter offers, lack of required submittals, or signatures, on County's Form may result in the submission being declared non-responsive by the County.

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DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS



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## Detail by Entity Name

Florida Limited Liability Company  
ENGINEERS AND ASSOCIATES, LLC

### Filing Information

<b>Document Number</b>	L21000030721
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<b>Event Date Filed</b>	03/10/2023
<b>Event Effective Date</b>	NONE

### Principal Address

2519 HAWTHORNE STREET  
SARASOTA, FL 34239

### Mailing Address

2519 HAWTHORNE STREET  
SARASOTA, FL 34239

### Registered Agent Name & Address

Puhnaty, Mark Andrew, II  
2519 HAWTHORNE STREET  
SARASOTA, FL 34239

Name Changed: 01/25/2022

Address Changed: 01/25/2022

### Authorized Person(s) Detail

#### **Name & Address**

Title AMBR

PUHNATY, MARK  
2519 HAWTHORNE STREET  
SARASOTA, FL 34239

### Annual Reports

## EXHIBIT J PROJECT FUNDING PACKAGE

<b>Report Year</b>	<b>Filed Date</b>
2022	01/25/2022
2023	03/30/2023

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Form 2 – Affidavit Certification of Immigration Laws



**AFFIDAVIT CERTIFICATION IMMIGRATION LAWS**

SOLICITATION NO.: CN230542NAT

SOLICITATION NAME: Mechanical, Plumbing, HVAC, & Electrical Engineering Pre-Positioned Federal

LEE COUNTY WILL NOT INTENTIONALLY AWARD COUNTY CONTRACTS TO ANY CONTRACTOR WHO KNOWINGLY EMPLOYS UNAUTHORIZED ALIEN WORKERS, CONSTITUTING A VIOLATION OF THE EMPLOYMENT PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN 8 U.S.C. SECTION 1324 a(e) {SECTION 274A(e) OF THE IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY ACT (“INA”).

LEE COUNTY MAY CONSIDER THE EMPLOYMENT BY ANY CONTRACTOR OF UNAUTHORIZED ALIENS A VIOLATION OF SECTION 274A(e) OF THE INA. SUCH VIOLATION BY THE RECIPIENT OF THE EMPLOYMENT PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN SECTION 274A(e) OF THE INA SHALL BE GROUNDS FOR UNILATERAL CANCELLATION OF THE CONTRACT BY LEE COUNTY. PROPOSER ATTESTS THAT THEY ARE FULLY COMPLIANT WITH ALL APPLICABLE IMMIGRATION LAWS (SPECIFICALLY TO THE 1986 IMMIGRATION ACT AND SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS).

BY REGISTERING AS A VENDOR, SUBMITTING A RESPONSE TO A SOLICITATION, OR ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT, YOU ARE OBLIGATED TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 448.095, FLA. STAT., "EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY." FURTHER, BY YOUR REGISTRATION AS A VENDOR, RESPONSE TO A SOLICITATION, ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT, YOU AFFIRM AND REPRESENT THAT YOU ARE REGISTERED WITH THE E-VERIFY SYSTEM AND ARE USING SAME, AND WILL CONTINUE TO USE SAME AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 448.095, F.S. COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 448.095 INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, UTILIZATION OF THE E-VERIFY SYSTEM TO VERIFY THE WORK AUTHORIZATION STATUS OF ALL NEWLY HIRED EMPLOYEES, AND REQUIRING ALL SUBCONTRACTORS TO PROVIDE AN AFFIDAVIT ATTESTING THAT THE SUBCONTRACTOR DOES NOT EMPLOY, CONTRACT WITH, OR SUBCONTRACT WITH, AN UNAUTHORIZED ALIEN. FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL LEAD TO TERMINATION AS A VENDOR, DISQUALIFYING YOU FOR AWARD OF A SOLICITATION, DENIAL OF ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT AND/OR, CANCELLATION OF AN ACTIVE CONTRACT, OR IF YOUR SUBCONTRACTOR KNOWINGLY VIOLATES THE STATUTE, THE SUBCONTRACT MUST BE TERMINATED IMMEDIATELY. ANY CHALLENGE TO TERMINATION UNDER THIS PROVISION MUST BE FILED NO LATER THAN 20 CALENDAR DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF TERMINATION. IF TERMINATED FOR A VIOLATION OF THE STATUTE BY THE VENDOR, THE VENDOR MAY NOT BE ALLOWED TO DO BUSINESS WITH THE COUNTY OR BE AWARDED A SOLICITATION OR CONTRACT FOR A PERIOD OF 1 YEAR AFTER THE DATE OF TERMINATION. ALL COSTS INCURRED TO INITIATE AND SUSTAIN THE AFOREMENTIONED PROGRAMS SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE VENDOR.

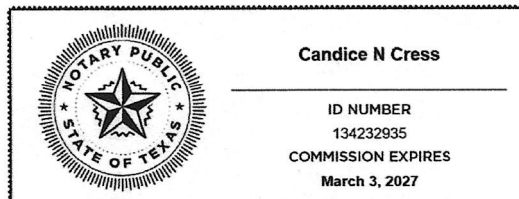
Company Name: Engineers and Associates, LLC  
Mark Puhnaty Principal and Owner 10/03/2023  
Signature Title Date

STATE OF ~~Florida~~ Texas  
COUNTY OF ~~Sarasota~~ Gregg

The foregoing instrument was signed and acknowledged before me, by means of  physical presence or  online notarization, this 3rd day of October 2023, by MARK ANDREW PUHNATY who has produced (Print or Type Name)

DRIVER LICENSE as identification.  
(Type of Identification)

[Signature]  
Notary Public Signature  
Candice N Cress  
Printed Name of Notary Public  
134232935 03/03/2027  
Notary Commission Number/Expiration



Notarized online using audio-video communication

The signee of this Affidavit guarantee, as evidenced by the sworn affidavit required herein, the truth and accuracy of this affidavit to interrogatories hereinafter made. **LEE COUNTY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REQUEST SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION, AS EVIDENCE OF SERVICES PROVIDED, AT ANY TIME.**



## EXHIBIT J PROJECT FUNDING PACKAGE

## Form 3 - Reference Survey

Lee County Procurement Management  
Reference Survey


Reference surveys submitted can be a maximum of twelve (12) months old. If using a previous reference, Proposers must clearly identify the project name and number the reference is being submitted for.

Project Name & Number: Sarasota County Criminal Justice Center - 20227

<b>Section 1</b>		Reference Respondent Information		Please return completed form to:	
<b>FROM:</b>		John Wissler		<b>Bidder/Proposer:</b> Engineers and Associates, LLC	
<b>COMPANY:</b>		Sarasota County Government		<b>Due Date:</b> 10/02/2023	
<b>PHONE #:</b>		941-224-3675		<b>Total # Pages:</b> 1	
<b>FAX #:</b>		N/A		<b>Phone #:</b> 205-907-0529	
<b>EMAIL:</b>		jwissler@scgov.net		<b>Fax #:</b> mpuhnaty@engineersandassociates.com	
				<b>Bidder/Proposer E-Mail:</b> .com	
<b>Section 2</b>		Enter Bidder/Proposer Information, if applicable Similar Performed Project (Bidder/Proposer to enter details of a project performed for above reference respondent)			
<b>Proposer Name:</b>		Engineers and Associates, LLC			
<b>Reference Project Name:</b>		<b>Project Address:</b>		<b>Project Cost:</b>	
Sarasota County Criminal Justice Center		Sarasota, FL		12 Million	
<b>Summarize Scope:</b>					
Mark Puhnaty, PE acted as the PM, EOR and Lead engineer at DTC, Inc. for the design phase of this project. MEP Renovations includes replacing 12 existing VAV Chilled Water Air handling units (AHU's), replacing the electrical panels, new chilled water piping system in building, new boiler, new heating hot water pumps, and a new heating hot water system accessories					
<b>You as an individual or your company has been given as a reference on the project identified above. Please provide your responses in section 3 below.</b>					
<b>Section 3</b>					Indicate: "Yes" or "No"
1. Did this company have the proper resources and personnel by which to get the job done?					YES
2. Were any problems encountered with the company's work performance?					NO
3. Were any change orders or contract amendments issued, other than owner initiated?					NO
4. Was the job completed on time?					YES
5. Was the job completed within budget?					YES
6. On a scale of one to ten, ten being best, how would you rate the overall work performance, considering professionalism; final product; personnel; resources. Rate from 1 to 10. (10 being highest)					10
7. If the opportunity were to present itself, would you rehire this company?					YES
8. Please provide any additional comments pertinent to this company and the work performed for you:					
A performance exceeding that					

**Section 4** Please submit non-Lee County employees as references

Reference Name (Print Name) JOHN WISSLER

Reference Signature 

## EXHIBIT J PROJECT FUNDING PACKAGE

## Form 3 - Reference Survey

Lee County Procurement Management  
Reference Survey

Reference surveys submitted can be a maximum of twelve (12) months old. If using a previous reference, Proposers must clearly identify the project name and number the reference is being submitted for.

Project Name & Number: Cortina Oaks - 23001

<b>Section 1</b>	Reference Respondent Information	<b>Please return completed form to:</b>	
<b>FROM:</b>	<u>Obadiah Swafford, AIA</u>	<b>Bidder/Proposer:</b> Engineers and Associates, LLC	
<b>COMPANY:</b>	<u>Capstone Project Services, PLC</u>	<b>Due Date:</b> 10/02/2023	
<b>PHONE #:</b>	<u>407.749.9033</u>	<b>Total # Pages:</b> 1	
<b>FAX #:</b>	<u>N/A</u>	<b>Phone #:</b> 205-907-0529	<b>Fax #:</b>
<b>EMAIL:</b>	<u>oswafford@capstoneps.net</u>	mpuhnaty@engineersandassociates.com	
		<b>Bidder/Proposer E-Mail:</b> .com	

<b>Section 2</b>	Enter Bidder/Proposer Information, if applicable Similar Performed Project (Bidder/Proposer to enter details of a project performed for above reference respondent)		
Proposer Name:	<u>Engineers and Associates, LLC</u>		
Reference Project Name:	Project Address:	Project Cost:	
<u>Cortina Oaks</u>	<u>VENICE, FLORIDA</u>	<u>N/A</u>	
Summarize Scope:			
<u>New MEP Design for an apartment complex consisting of 4 buildings with 15 apartments each in every building. E&amp;A finished the design of the entire MEP system and it is currently under construction.</u>			

**You as an individual or your company has been given as a reference on the project identified above. Please provide your responses in section 3 below.**

<b>Section 3</b>		Indicate: "Yes" or "No"
1. Did this company have the proper resources and personnel by which to get the job done?		YES
2. Were any problems encountered with the company's work performance?		NO
3. Were any change orders or contract amendments issued, other than owner initiated?		NO
4. Was the job completed on time?		YES
5. Was the job completed within budget?		YES
6. On a scale of one to ten, ten being best, how would you rate the overall work performance, considering professionalism; final product; personnel; resources.		10
	Rate from 1 to 10. (10 being highest)	
7. If the opportunity were to present itself, would you rehire this company?		YES
8. Please provide any additional comments pertinent to this company and the work performed for you:		
<u>The work provided was thorough and well done. Response times to any questions exceeded expectations.</u>		

<b>Section 4</b>	<b>Please submit non-Lee County employees as references</b>
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Obadiah Swafford

Reference Name (Print Name)



Reference Signature

EXHIBIT J PROJECT FUNDING PACKAGE

Form 3 - Reference Survey

Lee County Procurement Management Reference Survey

Reference surveys submitted can be a maximum of twelve (12) months old. If using a previous reference, Proposers must clearly identify the project name and number the reference is being submitted for.

Project Name & Number: Cassata Square - 22008

<b>Section 1</b>	Reference Respondent Information	<b>Please return completed form to:</b>	
<b>FROM:</b>	Marc Smith	<b>Bidder/Proposer:</b>	Engineers and Associates, LLC
<b>COMPANY:</b>	MPS Development and Construction, LLC	<b>Due Date:</b>	10/02/2023
<b>PHONE #:</b>	(941) 809-8114	<b>Total # Pages:</b>	1
<b>FAX #:</b>	N/A	<b>Phone #:</b>	205-907-0529
<b>EMAIL:</b>	msmith@mpscontractors.net	<b>Fax #:</b>	mpuhnaty@engineersandassociates.com
		<b>Bidder/Proposer E-Mail:</b>	.com

<b>Section 2</b>	Enter Bidder/Proposer Information, if applicable Similar Performed Project (Bidder/Proposer to enter details of a project performed for above reference respondent)		
<b>Proposer Name:</b>	Engineers and Associates, LLC		
<b>Reference Project Name:</b>	<b>Project Address:</b>	<b>Project Cost:</b>	
Cassata Square	VENICE, FLORIDA	N/A	
<b>Summarize Scope:</b>			
MEP engineering services for a new construction three story building approximately 12,000 sq. ft per floor plate, consisting commercial and residential business spaces. E&A finished the design of the entire MEP system and it is currently under construction.			

You as an individual or your company has been given as a reference on the project identified above. Please provide your responses in section 3 below.

<b>Section 3</b>		Indicate: "Yes" or
1. Did this company have the proper resources and personnel by which to get the job done?		yes
2. Were any problems encountered with the company's work performance?		no
3. Were any change orders or contract amendments issued, other than owner initiated?		NO
4. Was the job completed on time?		yes
5. Was the job completed within budget?		yes
6. On a scale of one to ten, ten being best, how would you rate the overall work performance, considering professionalism; final product; personnel; resources. <small>Rate from 1 to 10. (10 being highest)</small>		9
7. If the opportunity were to present itself, would you rehire this company?		yes.
8. Please provide any additional comments pertinent to this company and the work performed for you:	Very easy to work with.	

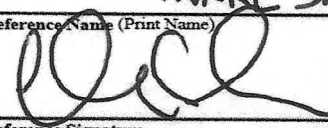
<b>Section 4</b>	<b>Please submit non-Lee County employees as references</b>
<b>Reference Name (Print Name)</b>	MARC SMITH
<b>Reference Signature</b>	

EXHIBIT J PROJECT FUNDING PACKAGE

Form 4 - Negligence or Breach of Contract Disclosure Form



**ALLEGED NEGLIGENCE OR BREACH OF CONTRACT  
DISCLOSURE FORM**

"Please fill in the form below. Provide details for each incident of alleged negligence, breach of contract or non-compliance with governmental regulation that has occurred over the past 10 years. Examples of non-compliance with governmental regulation include but are not limited to zoning violations, code enforcement violations, civil or criminal citations, denial, or revocation of permits. Provide details for all entities currently or previously owned in whole or in part by the proposer in the last 10 years. Please complete in chronological order with the most recent incident starting on page 1. Please do not modify this form (expansion of spacing allowed) or submit your own variation."

**Company Name:** Engineers and Associates, LLC

Type of Incident <i>Alleged Negligence, Breach of Contract, or Non-Compliance</i>	Incident Date And Date Filed	Plaintiff <i>(Company, person, entity- acted against your company or state if your company initiated the action)</i>	Case Number	Court <i>(Name of State and County)</i>	Project <i>(Address and Name)</i>	Allegation <i>(Stated reason your company was accused of negligence, breach of contract or non- compliance of governmental regulation or the allegations your company made)</i>	Final Outcome <i>(Who prevailed and how)</i>
NONE							

Make as many copies of this sheet as necessary to provide a 10-year history of the requested information. If there is no action pending or action taken in the last 10 years, complete the company name and write "NONE" in the first "Type of Incident" box of this page and return with your proposal package. This form should also include the primary partners listed in your proposal. Do not include litigation with your company as the plaintiff. Final outcome should include who prevailed and what method of settlement was made. If a monetary settlement was made the amount may remain anonymous.

Proposals may be declared "non-responsive" due to omissions of "Negligence or Breach of Contract" on this disclosure form. Additionally, proposals may be declared "not responsible" due to past or pending lawsuits that are relevant to the subject procurement such that they call into question the ability of the proposer to assure good faith performance. This determination may be made by the Procurement Management Director, after consulting with the County Attorney.

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Form 5 - Sub-contractor/consultant List



**SUB-CONTRACTOR/CONSULTANT LIST**

Sub-Contractor/Consultant Company Name	Area Of Work	Point Of Contact Or Project Supervisor	Contact Info Phone or Email	Qualified DBE, MBE, WBE, VBE or Similar	Amount or Percentage of Total
Blot Engineering, Inc	Structural	Edward Blot, PE	eblot@blotengineering.com	N/A	N/A
Capstone Project Services, PLC	Architecture	Obadiah Swafford, AIA	oswafford@capstoneps.net	N/A	N/A

Please include sub-contractor/consultant name, area of work (i.e. mechanical, electrical, etc.) and a **valid** phone number and/or email. Also include the dollar value or percentage that the sub-contractor/consultant will be performing. If sub-contractor/consultant qualifies as a current certificate Florida Certified Business Enterprise such as MBE, WBE, DBE, VBE or similar please indicate such above and provide proof of certification.

## EXHIBIT J PROJECT FUNDING PACKAGE

## Form 6 - Public Entity Crime Form

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## Public Entity Crime Form

This form must be signed and sworn to in the presence of a notary public or other officer authorized to administer oaths.

1. This sworn statement is submitted to Lee County  
(Print name of the public entity)
- by Mark Puhnaty - Principal and Owner  
(Print individual's name and title)
- for Engineers and Associates, LLC  
(Print name of entity submitting sworn statement)
- whose business address is 2519 Hawthorne Street, Sarasota, FL 34239
- (If applicable) its Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is 86-1971730

(If the entity has no FEIN, include the Social Security Number of the individual signing this sworn statement: On the attached sheet.) Required as per IRS Form W-9.

2. I understand that a "public entity crime" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1) (g), Florida Statutes, means a violation of any state or federal law by a person with respect to and directly related to the transaction of business with any public entity or with an agency or political subdivision of any other state or with the United States, including but not limited to, and bid or contract for goods or services to be provided to any public entity or agency or political subdivision or any other state or of the United States, and involving antitrust, fraud, theft, bribery, collusion, racketeering, conspiracy, or material misrepresentation.
3. I understand that "convicted" or "conviction" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1) (b), Florida Statutes, means a finding of guilt or a conviction of a public entity crime, with or without an adjudication of guilt, in any federal or state trial court of record relating to charges brought by indictment or information after July 1, 1989, as a result of a jury verdict, nonjury trial, or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.
4. I understand that "affiliate" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(a), Florida Statutes, means:
1. A predecessor or successor of a person convicted of a public entity crime:  
or:
  2. An entity under the control of any natural person who is active in the management of the entity and who has been convicted of a public entity crime. The term "affiliate" includes those offices, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members and agents who are active in the management of the affiliate. The ownership by one person of shares constituting a controlling interest in another person, or a pooling of equipment or income among persons when not fair market value under an arm's length agreement, shall be a facie case that one person controls another person. A person who knowingly enters into a joint venture with a person who has been convicted of a public entity crime in Florida during the preceding 36 months shall be considered an affiliate.
5. I understand that a "person" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1) (c), Florida Statutes, means any natural person or entity organized under the laws of any state or of the United States with the legal power to enter a binding contract and which bids or applies to bid on contracts for the provision of goods or services let by a public entity, or which otherwise transacts or applies to transact business with a public entity. The term "person" includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in management of the entity.
6. Based on information and belief, the statement which I have marked below is true in relation to the entity submitting those sworn statement. (Please indicate which statement applies.)
- Neither the entity submitted this sworn statement, nor any officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in management of an entity nor affiliate of the entity have been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989.

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Form 6 - Public Entity Crime Form, Page 2

The entity submitting this sworn statement, or one or more of the officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, member, or agents who are active in management of the entity, or an affiliate of the entity have been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989.

The entity submitting this sworn statement, or one or more of its officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, member, or agents who are active in management of the entity, or an affiliate of the entity has been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989. However, there has been subsequent proceeding before a Hearing Officer of the State of Florida, Division of Administrative Hearing and the Final Order entered by the Hearing Officer determined that it was not in the public interest to place the entity submitting this sworn statement on the convicted vendor list. (Attach a copy of the final order)

I UNDERSTAND THAT THE SUBMISSION OF THIS FORM TO THE CONTRACTING OFFICER FOR THE PUBLIC ENTITY IDENTIFIED IN PARAGRAPH 1 (ONE) ABOVE IS FOR THAT PUBLIC ENTITY ONLY AND, THAT THIS FORM IS VALID THROUGH DECEMBER 31 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR IN WHICH IS FILED. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT I AM REQUIRED TO INFORM THE PUBLIC ENTITY PRIOR TO ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT IN EXCESS OF THE THRESHOLD AMOUNT PROVIDED IN SECTION 287.017, FLORIDA STATUTES, FOR CATEGORY TWO OR ANY CHANGE IN THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FORM.

Mark Puhnaty (Signature)

10/03/2023 (Date)

STATE OF Florida Texas

COUNTY OF Sarasota Gregg

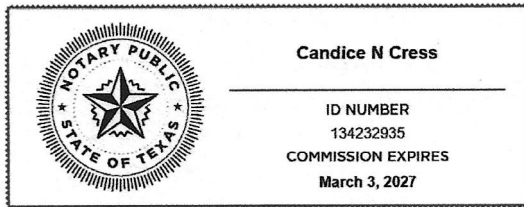
Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me, by means of physical presence or online notarization, this 3rd day of October 2023, by MARK ANDREW PUHNATY who has produced (Print or Type Name)

DRIVER LICENSE as identification. (Type of Identification)

Notary Public Signature

Candice N Cress Printed Name of Notary Public

134232935 03/03/2027 Notary Commission Number/Expiration



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Form 7 - E-Verify Program (Immigration Law)

Attachment: Immigration Law Affidavit Certification

This Affidavit is required and should be signed by an authorized principal of the firm, notarized and submitted with formal Invitations to Bid (ITB's) and Request for Proposals (RFP) submittals. Further, Vendors / Bidders are required to enroll in the E-Verify program, and provide acceptable evidence of their enrollment, at the time of the submission of the vendor's/bidder's proposal. Acceptable evidence consists of a copy of the properly completed E-Verify Company Profile page or a copy of the fully executed E-Verify Memorandum of Understanding for the company. Failure to include this Affidavit and acceptable evidence of enrollment in the E-Verify program, may deem the Vendor / Bidder's proposal as non-responsive.

Lee County will not intentionally award County contracts to any vendor who knowingly employs unauthorized alien workers, constituting a violation of the employment provision contained in 8 U.S.C. Section 1324 a(e) Section 274A(e) of the Immigration and Nationality Act ("INA").

Lee County may consider the employment by any vendor of unauthorized aliens a violation of Section 274A (e) of the INA. Such Violation by the recipient of the Employment Provisions contained in Section 274A (e) of the INA shall be grounds for unilateral termination of the contract by Lee County.

Vendor attests that they are fully compliant with all applicable immigration laws (specifically to the 1986 Immigration Act and subsequent Amendment(s)) and agrees to comply with the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding with E-Verify and to provide proof of enrollment in The Employment Eligibility Verification System (E-Verify), operated by the Department of Homeland Security in partnership with the Social Security Administration at the time of submission of the Vendor's / Bidder's proposal.

Company Name Engineers and Associates, LLC

Print Name Mark Puhnaty Title Principal and Owner

Signature [Handwritten Signature] Date 10/03/2023

State of Florida Texas

County of Sarasota Gregg

The foregoing instrument was signed and acknowledged before me this 3rd day of October, 2023, by

MARK ANDREW PUHNATY who has produced DRIVER LICENSE as identification. (Print or Type Name) (Type of Identification and Number)

[Handwritten Signature]

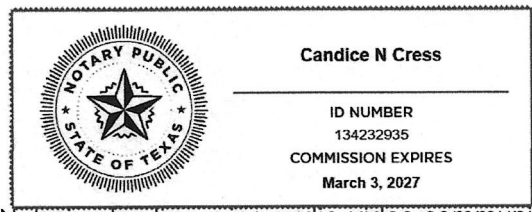
Notary Public Signature

Candice N Cress

Printed Name of Notary Public

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The signee of these Affidavit guarantees, as evidenced by the sworn affidavit required herein, the truth and accuracy of this affidavit to interrogatories hereinafter made.



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Form 8: Form LLL – Disclosure of Lobbying Activities

CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- (1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions.
- (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents of all sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all sub-recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, United States Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

The Contractor, Engineers and Associates, LLC, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. § 3801 *et seq.*, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.



Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

Mark Puhnaty - Principal and Owner

Name & Title of Contractors Authorized Official

10/03/2023

Date

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## Form 8: Form LLL – Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (Continued)

### DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C.1352

Approved by OMB  
4040-0013

Review Public Burden Disclosure Statement

<b>1. * Type of Federal Action:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> a. contract <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b. grant <input type="checkbox"/> c. cooperative agreement <input type="checkbox"/> d. loan <input type="checkbox"/> e. loan guarantee <input type="checkbox"/> f. loan insurance	<b>2. * Status of Federal Action:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> a. bid/offer/application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b. initial award <input type="checkbox"/> c. post-award	<b>3. * Report Type:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a. Initial filing <input type="checkbox"/> b. material change
<b>4. Name and Address of Reporting Entity:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prime <input type="checkbox"/> SubAwardee * Name: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/> * Street 1: <input style="width: 45%;" type="text"/> Street 2: <input style="width: 45%;" type="text"/> * City: <input style="width: 25%;" type="text"/> State: <input style="width: 35%;" type="text"/> Zip: <input style="width: 10%;" type="text"/> Congressional District, if known: <input style="width: 50%;" type="text"/>		
<b>5. If Reporting Entity in No.4 is Subawardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime:</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 80px;"></div>		
<b>6. * Federal Department/Agency:</b> <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>	<b>7. * Federal Program Name/Description:</b> <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/> CFDA Number, if applicable: <input style="width: 50%;" type="text"/>	
<b>8. Federal Action Number, if known:</b> <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>	<b>9. Award Amount, if known:</b> \$ <input style="width: 50%;" type="text"/>	
<b>10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying Registrant:</b> Prefix: <input style="width: 10%;" type="text"/> * First Name: <input style="width: 30%;" type="text"/> Middle Name: <input style="width: 30%;" type="text"/> * Last Name: <input style="width: 40%;" type="text"/> Suffix: <input style="width: 10%;" type="text"/> * Street 1: <input style="width: 45%;" type="text"/> Street 2: <input style="width: 45%;" type="text"/> * City: <input style="width: 25%;" type="text"/> State: <input style="width: 35%;" type="text"/> Zip: <input style="width: 10%;" type="text"/>		
<b>b. Individual Performing Services (including address if different from No. 10a)</b> Prefix: <input style="width: 10%;" type="text"/> * First Name: <input style="width: 30%;" type="text"/> Middle Name: <input style="width: 30%;" type="text"/> * Last Name: <input style="width: 40%;" type="text"/> Suffix: <input style="width: 10%;" type="text"/> * Street 1: <input style="width: 45%;" type="text"/> Street 2: <input style="width: 45%;" type="text"/> * City: <input style="width: 25%;" type="text"/> State: <input style="width: 35%;" type="text"/> Zip: <input style="width: 10%;" type="text"/>		
<b>11. Information requested through this form is authorized by title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when the transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be reported to the Congress semi-annually and will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.</b> * Signature: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/> * Name: Prefix: <input style="width: 10%;" type="text"/> * First Name: <input style="width: 30%;" type="text"/> Middle Name: <input style="width: 30%;" type="text"/> * Last Name: <input style="width: 40%;" type="text"/> Suffix: <input style="width: 10%;" type="text"/> Title: <input style="width: 30%;" type="text"/> Telephone No.: <input style="width: 20%;" type="text"/> Date: <input style="width: 20%;" type="text"/>		
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Form 9: Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility And Voluntary Exclusion

CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR Covered Transactions

- (1) The prospective CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR, Engineers and Associates, LLC of the Sub-Recipient certifies, by submission of this document, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
(2) Where the Sub-Recipient's subcontractor is unable to certify to the above statement, the prospective subcontractor shall attach an explanation to this form.

CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR

Engineers and Associates, LLC

By: Mark Puhnaty Signature

Mark Puhnaty - Principal and Owner Name and Title

2519 Hawthorne Street Street Address

Sarasota, Florida, 34239 City, State, Zip

10/03/2023 Date

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## LICENSEE DETAILS

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### Licensee Information

Name:	<b>ENGINEERS AND ASSOCIATES, LLC (Primary Name)</b>
	<b>E&amp;A (DBA Name)</b>
Main Address:	<b>2519 HAWTHORNE STREET SARASOTA Florida 34239</b>
County:	<b>SARASOTA</b>

### License Information

License Type:	<b>Engineering Business Registry</b>
Rank:	<b>Registry</b>
License Number:	<b>37137</b>
Status:	<b>Current</b>
Licensure Date:	<b>05/26/2023</b>
Expires:	

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# *State of Florida*

## *Department of State*


I certify from the records of this office that ENGINEERS AND ASSOCIATES, LLC is a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Florida, filed on January 13, 2021, effective January 13, 2021.

The document number of this limited liability company is L21000030721.

I further certify that said limited liability company has paid all fees due this office through December 31, 2023, that its most recent annual report was filed on March 30, 2023, and that its status is active.

*Given under my hand and the  
Great Seal of the State of Florida  
at Tallahassee, the Capital, this  
the Eleventh day of May, 2023*



  
Secretary of State

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# *State of Florida*

## *Department of State*

I certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the Application For Registration of the Fictitious Name E&A, registered with the Department of State on May 12, 2023, as shown by the records of this office.

The Registration Number of this Fictitious Name is G23000060133.

*Given under my hand and the Great Seal of  
Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this the  
Thirteenth day of May, 2023*



  
\_\_\_\_\_  
*Secretary of State*

# *State of Florida*

## *Department of State*

I certify from the records of this office that E&A is a Fictitious Name registered with the Department of State on May 12, 2023.

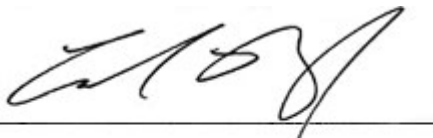
The Registration Number of this Fictitious Name is G23000060133.

I further certify that said Fictitious Name Registration is active.

I further certify that this office began filing Fictitious Name Registrations on January 1, 1991, pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes.

*Given under my hand and the Great Seal of  
Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this the  
Thirteenth day of May, 2023*



  
*Secretary of State*





## EXHIBIT J PROJECT FUNDING PACKAGE

POLICY NUMBER:N9BP992365

Date Processed: 05/19/2023

BUSINESSOWNERS

BP 12 01 07 02

THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

**BUSINESSOWNERS POLICY CHANGES**

Engineers and Associates, LLC

2519 Hawthorne St  
Sarasota, FL 34239-3004

THIS ENDORSEMENT FORMS A PART OF THE POLICY NUMBERED BELOW.

POLICY NUMBER N9BP992365	POLICY CHANGES EFFECTIVE 05/18/2023	COMPANY Berkshire Hathaway Direct Insurance Company
NAMED INSURED Engineers and Associates, LLC		AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
<b>CHANGES</b>		
<b>Additional Names of the Insured</b>		
Deleted      MP Professional Engineering; Effective: 04/19/2023-04/19/2024		
<b>Insured's Name</b>		
Changed      From: Mark Puhnaty Professional Engineering, LLC To: Engineers and Associates, LLC		

## EXHIBIT J PROJECT FUNDING PACKAGE

POLICY NUMBER:N9BP992365

Date Processed: 07/21/2023

BUSINESSOWNERS

BP 12 01 07 02

THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

**BUSINESSOWNERS POLICY CHANGES**

Engineers and Associates, LLC

E&amp;A

2519 Hawthorne St

Sarasota, FL 34239-3004

THIS ENDORSEMENT FORMS A PART OF THE POLICY NUMBERED BELOW.

POLICY NUMBER N9BP992365	POLICY CHANGES EFFECTIVE 07/21/2023	COMPANY Berkshire Hathaway Direct Insurance Company
NAMED INSURED Engineers and Associates, LLC E&A		AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
<b>CHANGES</b>		
<b>Additional Names of the Insured</b>		
Added            E&A; Effective: 04/19/2023-04/19/2024		

## EXHIBIT J PROJECT FUNDING PACKAGE

POLICY NUMBER: N9BP992365

BUSINESSOWNERS  
BP 04 04 01 06**THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.****HIRED AUTO AND NON-OWNED AUTO LIABILITY**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

BUSINESSOWNERS COVERAGE FORM

**SCHEDULE**

Coverage	Additional Premium
<b>A. Hired Auto Liability:</b>	\$50.00
<b>B. Non-Owned Auto Liability:</b>	\$79.00

Information required to complete this Schedule, if not shown above, will be shown in the Declarations.

**A.** Insurance is provided only for those coverages for which a specific premium charge is shown in the Declarations or in the Schedule.

**1. Hired Auto Liability**

The insurance provided under Paragraph **A.1. Business Liability** in **Section II – Liability**, applies to "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the maintenance or use of a "hired auto" by you or your "employees" in the course of your business.

**2. Non-Owned Auto Liability**

The insurance provided under Paragraph **A.1. Business Liability** in **Section II – Liability**, applies to "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the use of any "non-owned auto" in your business by any person.

**B.** For insurance provided by this endorsement only:

**1.** The exclusions, under the Paragraph **B.1. Applicable To Business Liability Coverage** in **Section II – Liability**, other than Exclusions **a., b., d., f.** and **i.** and the Nuclear Energy Liability Exclusion, are deleted and replaced by the following:

**a.** "Bodily injury" to:

**(1)** An "employee" of the insured arising out of and in the course of:

**(a)** Employment by the insured; or

**(b)** Performing duties related to the conduct of the insured's business; or

**(2)** The spouse, child, parent, brother or sister of that "employee" as a consequence of Paragraph **(1)** above.

This exclusion applies:

**(1)** Whether the insured may be liable as an employer or in any other capacity; and

**(2)** To any obligation to share damages with or repay someone else who must pay damages because of injury.

This exclusion does not apply to:

**(1)** Liability assumed by the insured under an "insured contract"; or

**(2)** "Bodily injury" arising out of and in the course of domestic employment by the insured unless benefits for such injury are in whole or in part either payable or required to be provided under any workers compensation law.

**b.** "Property damage" to:

**(1)** Property owned or being transported by, or rented or loaned to the insured; or

**(2)** Property in the care, custody or control of the insured.

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**2. Paragraph C. Who Is An Insured in Section II – Liability, is replaced by the following:**

**1.** Each of the following is an insured under this endorsement to the extent set forth below:

- a.** You;
- b.** Any other person using a "hired auto" with your permission;
- c.** For a "non-owned auto":
  - (1)** Any partner or "executive officer" of yours; or
  - (2)** Any "employee" of yours but only while such "non-owned auto" is being used in your business; and

**d.** Any other person or organization, but only for their liability because of acts or omissions of an insured under **a.**, **b.** or **c.** above.

**2.** None of the following is an insured:

- a.** Any person engaged in the business of his or her employer for "bodily injury" to any co-"employee" of such person injured in the course of employment, or to the spouse, child, parent, brother or sister of that co-"employee" as a consequence of such "bodily injury", or for any obligation to share damages with or repay someone else who must pay damages because of the injury;
- b.** Any partner or "executive officer" for any "auto" owned by such partner or officer or a member of his or her household;

**c.** Any person while employed in or otherwise engaged in duties in connection with an "auto business", other than an "auto business" you operate;

**d.** The owner or lessee (of whom you are a sublessee) of a "hired auto" or the owner of a "non-owned auto" or any agent or "employee" of any such owner or lessee; or

**e.** Any person or organization for the conduct of any current or past partnership or joint venture that is not shown as a Named Insured in the Declarations.

**C.** The following additional definitions apply:

- 1.** "Auto Business" means the business or occupation of selling, repairing, servicing, storing or parking "autos".
- 2.** "Hired Auto" means any "auto" you lease, hire, rent or borrow. This does not include any "auto" you lease, hire, rent or borrow from any of your "employees", your partners or your "executive officers" or members of their households.
- 3.** "Non-Owned Auto" means any "auto" you do not own, lease, hire, rent or borrow which is used in connection with your business. This includes "autos" owned by your "employees", your partners or your "executive officers", or members of their households, but only while used in your business or your personal affairs.