#### **BRAZORIA COUNTY**

#### PURCHASING DEPARTMENT



#### SUSAN P. SERRANO, CPPO, CPPB

**Purchasing Director** 

May 14, 2025

AgH2O Holdings LLC Attn: James Lesko 3817 Bent Brook Drive Round Rock, TX 78664 jlesko@austin.rr.com

Re: Award for ITB# 25-40 Treated Bridge Timbers

Dear Mr. Lesko:

Brazoria County is pleased to inform you that on May 13, 2025, Commissioners' Court awarded the above listed project to your company.

The term of this contract shall be effective upon execution of the contract sheet, for a period of one (1) year with an option to renew the contract for up to four (4) additional one-year terms.

A purchase order and /or notice to proceed will follow. Do not proceed with delivery of services or materials prior to receiving a purchase order number from Brazoria Country.

A Certificate of Interested Parties, Form 1295 is required. Vendors are to log onto the Texas Ethics Commission's website <a href="https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf-info-form1295.htm">https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf-info-form1295.htm</a> and fill out Form 1295. Once the form is completed online, the system will issue a certificate number. Please print, sign the form, and email it to Amanda Erickson at <a href="mailto:aerickson@brazoriacountytx.gov">aerickson@brazoriacountytx.gov</a>.

In addition, per Texas Local Government Code 176, completion of the Conflict of Interest Questionnaire, Form CIQ, is required if applicable. You may access the form and further information on our website at <a href="http://brazoriacountytx.gov/departments/purchasing">http://brazoriacountytx.gov/departments/purchasing</a> under the Doing Business section, Conflict of Interest Reporting.

Per Texas Local Government Code Chapters 808, 809, and 2274, completion of the Boycott Verification Form is required, if applicable. You may access the form and further information on our website at <a href="http://brazoriacountytx.gov/departments/purchasing">http://brazoriacountytx.gov/departments/purchasing</a> under the Doing Business section.

Please email the CIQ and Boycott Verification Form to Amanda Erickson at aerickson@brazoriacountytx.gov.

As a reminder, a copy of a current certificate of insurance shall be due to Brazoria County within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of notification of award. The contract shall not become effective until the certificate of insurance is received. Failure to provide said certificate may result in cancellation and/or termination of the contract. Please have the certificate of insurance names Brazoria County as an additional insured and a waiver of subrogation applies in favor of Brazoria County.

Thank you for your interest in Brazoria County. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Susan P. Serrano, CPPO, CPPB Brazoria County Purchasing Director

### BRAZORIA COUNTY CONTRACT SHEET

# THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

This memorandum of agreement made and entered into on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025, by and between Brazoria County in the State of Texas (hereinafter designated County), acting herein by County Judge L.M. "Matt" Sebesta, Jr., by virtue of an order of Brazoria County Commissioners' Court, and AgH2O Holdings LLC.

#### WITNESSETH:

The Vendor and the County agree that the Instructions to Respondents, Specifications/Statement of Work, Standard Terms & Conditions, and all other requirements herein for ITB# 25-40 Treated Bridge Timbers as stated in the Invitation to Bid Table of Contents hereto attached and made a part hereof, together with the bond (when required), vendor's response and negotiated pricing, shall constitute the full agreement and Contract between parties and for furnishing the items set out and described; the County agrees to pay the prices stipulated in the accepted offer.

The order of precedence shall be:

- Brazoria County ITB# 25-40 Treated Bridge Timbers
- Vendor's submittal to the above listed ITB and the final accepted pricing

It is further agreed that this Contract shall not become binding or effective until signed by the parties hereto and a purchase order authorizing the items desired has been issued.

Executed at Angleton, Texas this 19th day of May 2025.

Sy:\_\_\_\_\_\_County Judge Signature

L. M. "Matt" Sebesta Jr.

Printed Name

Signature of Vendor

By: JAmes LESko
Printed Name and Title

# **EXHIBIT A - REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

- RESPONDENT CERTIFICATION FORM
- BIDDER/RESPONDENT'S AFFIRMATION & SDNs/BLOCKED PERSONS AFFIRMATION
- WORKERS COMPENSATION REQUIREMENTS
- CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING FORM
- EXCEPTIONS TO STANDARD TERMS & CONDITIONS & SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (if applicable) (If vendor has any exceptions to the ITB terms and conditions or special requirements, they must be included with the ITB submittal in order to be considered)
- SIGNED ADDENDA (if applicable)
- NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT
- CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE FORM CIQ (if applicable)
- TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 552, SUBCHAPTER J ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM
- PROHIBITED TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT CERTIFICATION FORM (Vendor to sign form if applicable to telecommunications)
- RESIDENT / NONRESIDENT BIDDER PROVISIONS
- VENDOR DATA SHEET & W-9 FORM



Contractors

**Construction Managers** 

www.agh2oco.com

James R. Lesko, PE General Manager 3817 Bent Brook Drive Round Rock, TX 78664

(512)484-7611 (512)238-1261-Fax jlesko@austin.rr.com

### BRAZORIA COUNTY ADDENDUM NUMBER 1

### ITB # 25-40 Treated Bridge Timbers

PLEASE INCLUDE THIS SIGNED ADDENDUM WITH YOUR SEALED ITB PACKAGE.

This Addendum modifies the ITB #25-40 package as follows:

- Definitions: All definitions set forth in the Contract shall have the same meaning unless stated otherwise in this Addendum.
- The following questions have been submitted for clarification:
  - 2.1 Vendor Question: "In reviewing the documents for ITB on Bonfire I see the sizes required and the quantities. What I do not see is the Species and Treatments, I am guessing treatment retention levels vary from Pilings to Bridge Timbers."

Brazoria County Answer: Please refer to Texas Department of Transportation 2014 Specifications for Construction of Highways, Streets and Bridges and review item 406 & 492 which states the Timber Preservation and Treatment.

 $\frac{https://ftp.txdot.gov/pub/txdot-info/cmd/cserve/specs/2014/standard/specbook-2014.pdf}{}$ 

All other terms and conditions of the ITB are to remain unchanged.

Please refer any questions regarding this ITB to the Brazoria County Purchasing Department at (979) 864-1825 or <a href="mailto:bidclarifications@brazoriacountytx.gov">bidclarifications@brazoriacountytx.gov</a>.

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Addendum approved by: Susan P. Serrano, CPPO, CPPB County Purchasing Director	03/07/2025 Date

### BRAZORIA COUNTY ADDENDUM NUMBER 2

### ITB # 25-40 Treated Bridge Timbers

# PLEASE INCLUDE THIS SIGNED ADDENDUM WITH YOUR SEALED ITB PACKAGE.

This Addendum modifies the ITB #25-40 package as follows:

- Definitions: All definitions set forth in the Contract shall have the same meaning unless stated otherwise in this Addendum.
- 2. The following questions have been submitted for clarification:
  - 2.1 Vendor Question: "In reviewing the document and sections mentioned in Addendum No. 1 can you please clarify what kind of application the timbers are intended to be used for. This information isn't mentioned and isn't provided in the solicitation document and is needed to know what treatments are required."

Brazoria County Answer: The pilings will be in freshwater. All other lumber should be treated for ground contact.

2.2 Vendor Question: "Can the engineer on the project validate the grade and species of wood along with the specific treatment required per timber size.

Brazoria County Answer: Pine wood and all should be grade 2 ccs treated.

All other terms and conditions of the ITB are to remain unchanged.

Please refer any questions regarding this ITB to the Brazoria County Purchasing Department at (979) 864-1825 or <a href="mailto:bidclarifications@brazoriacountytx.gov">bidclarifications@brazoriacountytx.gov</a>.

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TELEPHONE NUMBER  SIGNATURE	FACSIMILE NUMBER  JAMES R LESCO G.M.  NAME AND TITLE PRINTED	
Susan P. Serrano, CPPO, CPPB County Purchasing Director	03/26/2025 Date	

# BRAZORIA COUNTY RESPONDENT CERTIFICATION FORM

te: In order to sign the documents electronically and insert an authorized signature into the PDF, you will need to use the <u>latest rersion of Adobe Reader</u>. Be aware that such a signature will have the full legal force of a handwritten signature under Texas law. Additionally, all documents with company name and authorized/contact person, and their title with the company, must be identical and match the W-9 with the company's legal name. Documents with different company names may be considered non-responsive.

LEGAL NAME OF CONTRACTING COMPANY	145 LLC		
27-0469030 FEDERAL I.D. # (Company or Corporation)	783199578 DUN & BRADSTREET D-U-N	-S NUMBER	
(512) 484-7611 TELEPHONE NUMBER	FACSIMILE NUMBER		
CONTACT PERSON	G. M.		
3817 BENT BROOK DR. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS CITY &	ROUND ROCK TX	78664 ZIP CODE	
COMPLETE STREET ADDRESS  CITY &  LESKO & AUSTIN . R.R.  EMAIL ADDRESS	E STATE  COM	ZIP CODE	
CERTIFICATION  By my signature hereon, I certify that the Goods and/or Services that I propose to furnish will meet or exceed every specification contained herein, and that I have read each and every page of the Specifications/Statement of Work, other requirements, as well as, the documents. I am aware that, once accepted by Brazoria County, my offer is accepted, I shall perform as required in these Contract herein of the aforementioned Contract documents, and that I will not be permitted to attempt enforcement of any other Contract or Contract provisions.			
SIGNATURE imust be authorized to execute on behalf of company	3/12/25 DATE		
Ypewritten or Printed Name	G M Title		

### **BRAZORIA COUNTY** BIDDER/RESPONDENT'S AFFIRMATION

This form must be completed, signed, and returned by Bidder/Respondent

NOTE: FAILURE TO SIGN AND RETURN THIS FORM WITHIN 10 DAYS OF AWARD NOTIFICATION MAY RESULT IN THE TERMINATION OF ANY RESULTING PURCHASE ORDER OR CONTRACT.

- Bidder/Respondent affirms that they are duly authorized to execute this Contract, that this company, corporation, firm, 1. partnership or individual has not prepared this bid/offer in collusion with any other bidder, and that the contents of this bid/offer as to prices, terms or conditions of said bid/offer have not been communicated by the undersigned nor by any employee or Director to any other person engaged in this type of business prior to the official opening of this bid/offer.
- Bidder/Respondent hereby assigns to purchaser any an all claims for overcharges associated with this Contract which arise 2. under the antitrust laws of the United States, 15 USCA Section 1 et seq., and which arise under the antitrust laws of the State of Texas, Tex. Bus. & Com. Code, Section 15.01, et seq.
- Pursuant to §262.0276 (a) of the Texas Local Government Code and subject to Brazoria County Court 3. October 28, 2003, Bidder/Respondent, hereby affirms that Bidder/Respondent: Order No. 36 of

(Please check all that are applicable)	
Does not own taxable property in Brazoria Co	ounty.
	ia County or is not otherwise indebted to Brazoria County.
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# BIDDER/RESPONDENT'S SDNs/BLOCKED PERSONS AFFIRMATION

Pursuant to §2155.077 of the Texas Government Code and subject to Brazoria County Court Order No19 of August 9, 2005, Bidder/Respondent, hereby affirms that Bidder/Respondent: (Please check all that are applicable) Is not excluded from doing business at the federal level. Is not listed as Specially Designated Nationals (SDN)s/Blocked Persons (individuals and companies owned or controlled by or acting for or on behalf of targeted Countries; or individuals, groups and entities, such as terrorists and narcotics traffickers designated under programs that are not country-specific). Brazoria County may not make procurement transactions with SDNs/Blocked Persons. \*

If any additional information is required regarding these requirements, please contact The Brazoria County Purchasing

Bidder/Respondent Company Name Signature of Company Official Authorizing the Bid/Offer Company Official (Printed Name) Official's Position

Department PRIOR to execution.

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# WORKERS' COMPENSATION REQUIREMENTS

### BIDDER/RESPONDENT INSTRUCTIONS:

£AD THIS ENTIRE DOCUMENT CAREFULLY. FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FULFILLING ALL REQUIREMENTS AND SPECIFICATIONS. BE SURE YOU UNDERSTAND THEM.

The following requirements and specifications supersede all other Requirements where applicable.

### Workers' Compensation Insurance Coverage

#### A. Definitions

Certificate of coverage ("certificate") – A copy of a certificate of insurance, a certificate of authority to self-insure issued by the commission, or a coverage agreement (TWCC-81, TWCC-82, TWCC-83, or TWCC-84), showing statutory workers' compensation insurance coverage for the person's or entity's employees providing services on a project, for the duration of the project.

Duration of the project – includes the time from the beginning of the work on the project until the contractor's/person's work on the project has been completed and accepted by the governmental entity.

Persons providing services on the project ("subcontractor" in §406.096) – includes all persons or entities performing all or part of the services the contractor has undertaken to perform on the project, regardless of whether that person contracted directly with the contractor and regardless of whether that person has employees. This includes, without limitation, independent contractors, subcontractors, leasing companies, motor carriers, owner-operators, employees of any such entity or employees of any entity with furnishes persons to provide services on the project. "Services" include, without limitation, providing, hauling, or delivering equipment or materials, or providing labor, transportation, or other service related to a project. "Services" does not include activities unrelated to the project, such as food/beverage vendors, office supply deliveries, and delivery of portable toilets.

- The contractor shall provide coverage, based on proper reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts and filing of any the contractor providing services on the project, for the duration of the project.
   The Contractor must provide a certificate of coverage at the duration of the project.
- C. The Contractor must provide a certificate of coverage to the governmental entity prior to being awarded the contract.
- D. If the coverage period shown on the contractor's current certificate of coverage ends during the duration of the project, the contractor must, prior to the end of the coverage period, file a new certificate of coverage with the governmental entity showing that coverage has been extended.
- E. The contractor shall obtain from each person providing services on a project, and provide to the governmental entity:
  - (1) a certificate of coverage, prior to that person beginning work on the project, so the governmental entity will have on file certificates of coverage showing coverage for all persons providing services on the project; and
  - (2) no later than seven (7) days after receipt by the contractor, a new certificate of coverage showing extension of coverage, if the coverage period shown on the current certificate of coverage ends during the duration of the project.
- F. The contractor shall retain all required certificates of coverage for the duration of the project and for one year thereafter
- G. The contractor shall notify the governmental entity in writing by certified mail or personal delivery, within ten (10) days after providing services on the project.
- H. The contractor shall post on each project site a notice, in the text, form and manner prescribed by the Texas Workers' Compensation Commission, informing all persons providing services on the project that they are required to be covered, and stating how a person may verify coverage and report lack of coverage.
- I. The contractor shall contractually require each person with whom it contracts to provide services on a project, to:
  - (1) provide coverage, base on proper reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts and filing of any coverage agreements, which meets the statutory requirements of Texas Labor Code, Section 401.011(44) for all of its employees providing services on the project, for the duration of the project;
  - (2) provide to the contractor, prior to that person beginning work on the project, a certificate of coverage showing that coverage is being provided for all employees of the person providing services on the project, for the duration of the
  - (3) provide the contractor, prior to the end of the coverage period, a new certificate of coverage showing extension of coverage, if the coverage period shown on the current certificate of coverage ends during the duration of the project;
  - (4) obtain from each other person with whom it contracts, and provide to the contractor:
    - (a) a certificate of coverage, prior to the other person beginning work on the project; and
  - (b) a new certificate of coverage showing extension of coverage, prior to the end of the coverage period, if the ITB #25-40 Treated Bridge Timbers

- (5) retain all required certificated of coverage on file for the duration of the project and for one (1) year thereafter;
- (6) notify the governmental entity in writing by certified mail or personal delivery, within ten (10) days after the person services on the project; and
- (7) contractually require each person with whom it contracts, to perform as required by paragraphs (9.1) (9.7), with the certificates of coverage to be provided to the person for whom they are providing services.
- J. By signing this contract or providing or causing to be provided a certificate of coverage, the contractor is representing to the governmental entity that all employees of the contractor who will provide services on the project will be covered by workers' codes and payroll amounts, and that all coverage agreements will be filed with the appropriate insurance carrier of, or in the case of a self-insured, with the commission's Division of Self-Insurance Regulation. Providing false or misleading information may subject the contractor to administration penalties, criminal penalties, civil penalties, or other civil actions.
- K. The contractor's failure to comply with any of these provision is a breach of contract by the contractor which entitles the governmental entity to declare the contract void if the contractor does not remedy the breach within ten (10) days after receipt of notice of breach from the governmental entity.

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If awarded a contract for ITB # 25-40, by my signature below, I certify that I will provide workers' compensation
provide workers compensation for each employee employed on this project. I also certify that each of my subcontractors will also
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SIGNATURE

Typewritten or Printed Name

3/2/25 DATE

Title

### CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certifications For Contracts, Grants, Loans, And Cooperative Agreements

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 an 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 contract, the making 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 Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed within this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transacti8on imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification chall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

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Signature/Authorized Certifying Official	
JAMES R LESKO	
Typed Name and Title	
Applicant / Ogamization	
Date Signed 3/12/25	-

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. The filing of a 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 a covered Federal action. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

- 1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
- Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
- 3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a follow-up report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.
- 4. Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
- 5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Subawardee," then enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
- 6. Enter the name of the federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
- 7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
- 8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number; Invitations for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number; the contract, grant, or loan award number; the olication/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Included prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
- 9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
- 10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the lobbying registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.
- (b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10(a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).
- The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act, as amended, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control Number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is OMB No. 0348-0046. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, DC 20503

#### Approved by OMB

#### 0348-0046

Disclosure of Lobbying Activities

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352 (See reverse for public burden disclosure)

Type of Federal Action:  a. contract b. grant c. cooperative agreement d. loan e. loan guarantee f. loan insurance	Status of Federal Action:  a. bid/offer/application b. initial award c. post-award		Report Type: a. initial filing b. material change	
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Note: If this form is not applicable to your company, please mark the form N/A and sign the highlighted signature field above.

### VENDOR TO INSERT EXCEPTIONS TO STANDARD TERMS & CONDITIONS & SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS HERE (IF APPLICABLE)

Company does not have exceptions (If applicable, check here)

Or

Company does have exceptions (If applicable, check here and list exceptions below for consideration. Brazoria County will review all exceptions listed and will formally communicate as to if any exceptions are accepted by the County. If exceptions are accepted by the County, they will be added in the form of an addendum.)

# SIGNED ADDENDA (IF APPLICABLE)

# VENDOR TO INSERT SIGNED ADDENDA HERE

### NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

THE STATE OF TEXAS
OWNER
Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared
Name Title
SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME by the said
NOTAR PUBLIC in and for Notary ID 135188776
State of Texas
Printed Name: Nicholas Lesko
My Commission Expires: 18/8/28

### CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE FORM CIQ For vendor doing business with local governmental entity This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session. OFFICE USE ONLY This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a vendor who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the Date Received vendor meets requirements under Section 176.006(a). By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006(a-1), Local Government Code. A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor. 1 Name of vendor who has a business relationship with local governmental entity. Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire. (The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th business day after the date on which you became aware that the originally filed questionnaire was incomplete or inaccurate.) 3 Name of local government officer about whom the information is being disclosed. Name of Officer Describe each employment or other business relationship with the local government officer, or a family member of the officer, as described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A). Also describe any family relationship with the local government officer. Complete subparts A and B for each employment or business relationship described. Attach additional pages to this Form A. Is the local government officer or a family member of the officer receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from the vendor? Yes No B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer or a family member of the officer AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity? Yes No 5 Describe each employment or business relationship that the vendor named in Section 1 maintains with a corporation or other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership interest of one percent or more. 6

Check this box if the vendor has given the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts

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as described in Section 176,003(a)(2)(B), excluding gifts described in Section 176.003(a-1).

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Form provided by T

Revised 11/30/2015

### TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 552, SUBCHAPTER J ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

Respondent acknowledges having read and understood the following law, effective January 1, 2020

SIGNATURE "must be authorized to execute on behalf of company"	3/12/25 DATE
Typewritten or Printed Name	G. M. Title

# SUBCHAPTER J. ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS RELATED TO CONTRACTING INFORMATION

Sec. 552.371. CERTAIN ENTITIES REQUIRED TO PROVIDE CONTRACTING INFORMATION TO GOVERNMENTAL BODY IN CONNECTION WITH REQUEST. (a) This section applies to an entity that is not a governmental body that executes a contract with a governmental body that:

- (1) has a stated expenditure of at least \$1 million in public funds for the purchase of goods or services by the governmental Lody; or
- (2) results in the expenditure of at least \$1 million in public funds for the purchase of goods or services by the governmental body in a fiscal year of the governmental body.
- (b) This section applies to a written request for public information received by a governmental body that is a party to a contract described by Subsection (a) for contracting information related to the contract that is in the custody or possession of the entity and not maintained by the governmental body.
- (c) A governmental body that receives a written request for information described by Subsection (b) shall request that the entity provide the information to the governmental body. The governmental body must send the request in writing to the entity not later than the third business day after the date the governmental body receives the written request described by Subsection (b).
  - (d) Notwithstanding Section 552.301:
- (1) a request for an attorney general's decision under Section 552.301(b) to determine whether contracting information subject to a written request described by Subsection (b) falls within an exception to disclosure under this chapter is considered timely if made not later than the 13th business day after the date the governmental body receives the written request described by Subsection (b);
- (2) the statement and copy described by Section 552.301(d) is considered timely if provided to the requestor not later than the 13th business day after the date the governmental body receives the written request described by Subsection (b);
- (3) a submission described by Section 552.301(e) is considered timely if submitted to the attorney general not later than the 18th business day after the date the governmental body receives the written request described by Subsection (b); and

- (4) a copy described by Section 552.301(e-1) is considered timely if sent to the requestor not later than the 18th business day after the date the governmental body receives the written request described by Subsection (b).
  - (e) Section 552.302 does not apply to information described by Subsection (b) if the governmental body:
    - (1) complies with the requirements of Subsection (c) in a good faith effort to obtain the information from the contracting entity;
- (2) is unable to meet a deadline described by Subsection (d) because the contracting entity failed to provide the information to the governmental body not later than the 13th business day after the date the governmental body received the written request for the information; and
- (3) if applicable and notwithstanding the deadlines prescribed by Sections 552.301(b), (d), (e), and (e-1), complies with the requirements of those subsections not later than the eighth business day after the date the governmental body receives the information from the contracting entity.
- (f) Nothing in this section affects the deadlines or duties of a governmental body under Section 552.301 regarding information the governmental body maintains, including contracting information.
  - Sec. 552.372. BIDS AND CONTRACTS. (a) A contract described by Section 552.371 must require a contracting entity to:
- (1) preserve all contracting information related to the contract as provided by the records retention requirements applicable to the governmental body for the duration of the contract;
- (2) promptly provide to the governmental body any contracting information related to the contract that is in the custody or possession of the entity on request of the governmental body; and
  - (3) on completion of the contract, either:
- (A) provide at no cost to the governmental body all contracting information related to the contract that is in the custody or possession of the entity; or
- (B) preserve the contracting information related to the contract as provided by the records retention requirements plicable to the governmental body.
- (b) Unless Section 552.374(c) applies, a bid for a contract described by Section 552.371 and the contract must include the following statement: "The requirements of Subchapter J, Chapter 552, Government Code, may apply to this (include "bid" or "contract" as applicable) and the contractor or vendor agrees that the contract can be terminated if the contractor or vendor knowingly or intentionally fails to comply with a requirement of that subchapter."
- (c) A governmental body may not accept a bid for a contract described by Section 552.371 or award the contract to an entity that the governmental body has determined has knowingly or intentionally failed to comply with this subchapter in a previous bid or contract described by that section unless the governmental body determines and documents that the entity has taken adequate steps to ensure future compliance with the requirements of this subchapter.
- Sec. 552.373. NONCOMPLIANCE WITH PROVISION OF SUBCHAPTER. A governmental body that is the party to a contract described by Section 552.371 shall provide notice to the entity that is a party to the contract if the entity fails to comply with a requirement of this subchapter applicable to the entity. The notice must:
  - (1) be in writing;
  - (2) state the requirement of this subchapter that the entity has violated; and
- (3) unless Section 552.374(c) applies, advise the entity that the governmental body may terminate the contract without further obligation to the entity if the entity does not cure the violation on or before the 10th business day after the date the governmental body provides the notice.

Sec. 552.374. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT FOR NONCOMPLIANCE. (a) Subject to Subsection (c), a governmental body may terminate a contract described by Section 552.371 if:

- (1) the governmental body provides notice under Section 552.373 to the entity that is party to the contract;
- (2) the contracting entity does not cure the violation in the period prescribed by Section 552.373;
- (3) the governmental body determines that the contracting entity has intentionally or knowingly failed to comply with a requirement of this subchapter; and
- (4) the governmental body determines that the entity has not taken adequate steps to ensure future compliance with the requirements of this subchapter.
  - (b) For the purpose of Subsection (a), an entity has taken adequate steps to ensure future compliance with this subchapter if:
- (1) the entity produces contracting information requested by the governmental body that is in the custody or possession of the entity not later than the 10th business day after the date the governmental body makes the request; and
  - (2) the entity establishes a records management program to enable the entity to comply with this subchapter.
- (c) A governmental body may not terminate a contract under this section if the contract is related to the purchase or underwriting of a public security, the contract is or may be used as collateral on a loan, or the contract's proceeds are used to pay debt service of a public security or loan.

Sec. 552.375. OTHER CONTRACT PROVISIONS. Nothing in this subchapter prevents a governmental body from including and enforcing more stringent requirements in a contract to increase accountability or transparency.

Sec. 552.376. CAUSE OF ACTION NOT CREATED. This subchapter does not create a cause of action to contest a bid for or the award of a contract with a governmental body.

Added by Acts 2019, 86th Leg., R.S., Ch. 1216 (S.B. 943), Sec. 9, eff. January 1, 2020.

# PROHIBITED TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT CERTIFICATION FORM

(Vendor to sign form if applicable to telecommunications)

The undersigned vendor hereby represents and warrants that the equipment, systems, and/or services which it will provide to Brazoria County do not use covered telecommunications equipment or services (as defined in Section 889 John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (FY 2019 NDAA), Pub. L. No. 115-232 (2018)) as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system.

Additionally the undersigned vendor hereby represents and warrants that the equipment, systems, and/or services it will provide are not prohibited from being procured using grant funds under section 889 of the FY 2019 NDAA.

Further, per 2 CFR 200.216 (b) & (c)

- (b) As described in section 889 of <u>Public Law 115-232</u>, "covered telecommunications equipment or services" means any of the following:
- (1) Telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);
- (2) For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);
- (3) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment;
- (4) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a overed foreign country;
- (c) For the purposes of this section, "covered telecommunications equipment or services" also include systems 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.

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# RESIDENT / NONRESIDENT BIDDER PROVISIONS

napter 2252, Subchapter A, of the Texas Government Code establishes certain requirements applicable to proposers who are not Texas residents. Under the statute, a "resident" proposer is a person whose principle place of business is in Texas, including a contractor whose ultimate parent company or majority owner has its principle place of business in Texas.

A "nonresident" proposer is a person who is not a Texas resident. Please indicate the status of your company as a "resident" proposer or a "nonresident" proposer under these definitions.

Please check $(\checkmark)$ one of the following:
I certify that my company is a Resident Proposer.
I certify that my company is a Nonresident Proposer.
•
If your company is a Nonresident Proposer, you must provide the following information for your resident state (the state in which your company's principle place of business is located):
Company Name Company Name
Address BENT BROOK DR
City Rock TX
ate
78664
Zip Code
A. Does your resident state require a proposer whose principle place of business is in Texas to under-price proposers whose resident state is the same as yours by a prescribed amount or percentage to receive a comparable contract?  Yes  No
B. What is the prescribed amount of percentage? \$ or%

	Address Change Tax Info Change	(W-9) Other	
VENDOR NAME Ag H20 HOLDINGS LLC  COMPLETED BY: JAMES R. LESKO  DATE FORM COMPLETED: 3/12/25  SAM.GOV: VENDOR D & B DUNS NUMBER: 783199578  CAGE CODE: 4GN73  Is vendor incorporated? Yes No; If incorporated: How incorporated: Where incorporated: TX			
Has Name Changed in past two (2) years?		icorporated:	
FORMER NAME:	if its, when		
3817 BENT BROOK DR PHYSICAL STREET ADDRESS (Cannot be P.O. Box)  JAMES R LESKO	ROUND ROCK TX	<b>78664</b> STATE/ZIP	
PRIMARY PERSON AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A FINANCIAL/BANKING AGREEMENT	TITLE	512 484 76 U TELEPHONE #	
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SECONDARY PERSON AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A FINANCIAL/BANKING AGREEMENT	TITLE	() TELEPHONE #	
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CONTACT PERSON/TITLE	TELEPHONE #	FACSIMILE#	
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ATTACHEMENT A- REQUIRED BID TABLE ITB# 25-40 TREATED BRIDGE TIMBERS					
1.2.2 S1S1E	Surfaced one side, one edge and Rough one side, one edge			ne edge	
Size	Length	Price / ft delivered	IN STOCK	OUT OF STOCK	DELIVERY LEAD TIMES
3'x8'	8'-16'	\$5.25	Х		4 Weeks
QTY NEEDED (320)	30'				ARO

#2 Grade CCA Treated Timber	12 inch minimal diameter				
2.1 PILINGS					
Size	Length	Price / ft delivered	IN STOCK	OUT OF STOCK	DELIVERY LEAD TIMES
QTY NEEDED (20) -12" butt	30FT	\$25.00	x		4 Weeks ARO

2.2.3 S2E	Surfaced two edges				
Size	Length	Price / ft delivered	IN STOCK	OUT OF STOCK	DELIVERY LEAD TIMES
QTY NEEDED (200)-6"x14"x16ft	8'-16'	\$16.00			4 Weeks ARO

2.2.4 ROUGH	Has no	ot been surfaced	, but has been s	awed, edged and	d trimmed
Size	Length	Price / ft delivered	IN STOCK	OUT OF STOCK	DELIVERY LEAD TIMES
12"x12"	8'-16'				
QTY NEEDED (12)	30'	\$41.00			4 Weeks ARO



### BRAZORIA COUNTY COURTHOUSE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT 111 E. LOCUST STREET, BLDG. A-29, SUITE 100 ANGLETON, TEXAS 77515

TEL: 979-864-1825 FAX: 979-864-1034

# BRAZORIA COUNTY INVITATION TO BID COVER SHEET

The INVITATION TO BID (ITB) and accompanying documents are for your convenience in submitting a bid for the referenced products and/or services for BRAZORIA COUNTY.

Sealed Hard Copy or Electronic bids shall be received no later than:

THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2025 at 11:00 A.M. LOCAL TIME

\*BID OPENING WILL BE AVAILABLE VIA ZOOM. MEETING LINK IS AVAILABLE ON THE PROJECT DETAILS PAGE IN BONFIRE UNDER "IMPORTANT EVENTS". BONFIRE LINK:

https://brazoriacounty.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=login

#### IF SUBMITTING A SEALED HARD COPY, PLEASE MARK ENVELOPE:

#### "ITB #25-40 TREATED BRIDGE TIMBERS"

IF SUBMITTING AN ELECTRONIC SEALED BID IN THE BONFIRE ELECTRONIC BIDDING PLATFORM (PREFERRED METHOD): USE LINK https://brazoriacounty.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=login, CLICK THE HELP BUTTON PROVIDED IN THE BONFIRE WEBSITE AS NEEDED.

#### IF SUBMITTING A HARD COPY SEALED OFFER:

#### **DELIVER OFFER TO:**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS FOR COURIERS & HAND DELIVERIES

\*\*MA
SUSAN SERRANO, CPPO, CPPB (SEE NOTE BELOW)

\*\*MAILING ADDRESS

SUSAN SERRANO, CPPO, CPPB COUNTY PURCHASING DIRECTOR BRAZORIA COUNTY PURCHASING COURTHOUSE WEST ANNEX 451 N. VELASCO STREET, SUITE 100 ANGLETON, TEXAS 77515

#### \*\*US Postal Service mailing address

The U.S. mail may not deliver to the physical address shown above. Respondents who prefer to use the U.S. mail may submit their offers using the U.S. Postal Service mailing address shown below.

<u>HOWEVER</u>, packages delivered by the U.S. Postal Service to the Brazoria County mailing address are subject to delays that may cause a response to be rejected due to missing a solicitation receipt deadline.

Responses delivered to the mailing address are routed through the County mailroom and may not reach the required location in time for the bid / offer opening.

Respondents using the U.S. mail should take this possible delay into account when using the U.S. mail.

MAILING ADDRESS SUSAN SERRANO, CPPO, CPPB COUNTY PURCHASING DIRECTOR BRAZORIA COUNTY COURTHOUSE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT 111 E. LOCUST, BLDG A-29, SUITE 100 ANGLETON, TEXAS 77515

BRAZORIA COUNTY is very conscious and extremely appreciative of the time and effort you have expended to submit an offer. We would appreciate it if you would indicate on any "No Offer" response, any requirement of this ITB which may have influenced your decision to "No Offer". If your response to this ITB is a "No Offer" response, please complete the Statement of No Offer in this ITB package and submit.

Any prospective respondent desiring any explanation or interpretation of the solicitation must make a written request online through Bonfire electronic platform or email the project facilitator as shown in Section "Questions Due Date (for Clarifications)", which must be received by the Purchasing Department at least five (5) business days prior to the scheduled time for the offer opening. Any information given to a prospective respondent concerning this solicitation will be furnished promptly to all other known prospective respondents as a written amendment/addendum to the solicitation. Brazoria County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids/offers as it deems in its best interest and to waive any formalities.

It is the Respondent's responsibility to verify the issuance of Addenda in regard to this Offer. All Addenda shall be submitted to all <u>known</u> respondents and shall be posted on the Bonfire electronic bidding platform at <a href="https://brazoriacounty.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=login">https://brazoriacounty.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=login</a>. Brazoria County shall not be responsible for failed internet connections or power interruptions.

All required Offer documents shown on the Table of Contents, including any Addenda Receipt Forms which may have been issued, must be submitted in the Bonfire electronic bidding platform or a sealed envelope included in a hard copy submittal, marked with the bidder's company name, the Offer name, number and due date.

SUSAN SERRANO, CPPO, CPPB

County Purchasing Director Brazoria County Courthouse 111 E. Locust Street, Bldg. A-29, Suite 100

Angleton, Texas 77515

Published Dates:

Wednesday, March 05, 2025 Wednesday, March 12, 2025

# BRAZORIA COUNTY CONTRACT SHEET

# THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

in the State of Texas (hereinafter designation	ated County), acting	eday of, 2025, by and between Brazoria Cog herein by County Judge L.M. "Matt" Sebesta, Jr., by virtue (herein (company name)	of an
WITNESSETH:			
Conditions, and all other requirements he Table of Contents hereto attached and ma	erein for ITB #25-40 de a part hereof, tog ll agreement and C	despondents, Specifications/Statement of Work, Standard Term Translated Term Translated	o Bid arded
The order of precedence shall be:  • ITB #25-40 TREATED BRIDG  • Vendor's Response to the above		rded pricing.	
It is further agreed that this Contract shall authorizing the items desired has been is		g or effective until signed by the parties hereto and a purchase	order
Executed at Angleton, Texas this	day of	2025.	
51GN	By:By:By:By:By:By:	County Judge Signature  Printed Name  Signature of Vendor  Printed Name and Title	

### INVITATION TO BID TABLE OF CONTENTS

#### ITB #25-40 TREATED BRIDGE TIMBERS

All documents included in ITB #25-40 represent components which comprise this bid/offer package and subsequent awarded executed contract. The documents shown in Exhibit A are required to be submitted in your bid/offer package. It is the respondent's responsibility to be thoroughly familiar with all requirements and specifications. Be sure you understand the requirements before you return your bid/offer packet.

The "Exhibit A - Required Documents" below <u>are required</u> to be uploaded into the Bonfire electronic procurement portal system or included with your hard copy submittal in one (1) large sealed envelope or box with the Brazoria County Return Label affixed.

#### **EXHIBIT A – REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

# FAILURE TO RETURN THE FOLLOWING FORMS MAY DEEM YOUR BID AS NON-RESPONSIVE.

- RESPONDENT CERTIFICATION FORM
- BIDDER/RESPONDENT'S AFFIRMATION & SDNs/BLOCKED PERSONS AFFIRMATION
- WORKERS COMPENSATION REQUIREMENTS
- CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING FORM
- EXCEPTIONS TO STANDARD TERMS & CONDITIONS & SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (if applicable) (If
  vendor has any exceptions to the ITB terms and conditions or special requirements, they must be included with the
  ITB submittal in order to be considered)
- SIGNED ADDENDA (if applicable)
- NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT
- CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE FORM CIQ (if applicable)
- TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 552, SUBCHAPTER J ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM
- PROHIBITED TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT CERTIFICATION FORM (Vendor to sign form if applicable to telecommunications)
- RESIDENT / NONRESIDENT BIDDER PROVISIONS
- VENDOR DATA SHEET & W9 FORM

Attachments: The documents marked below are hereby attached and made a part of this package.

- EXHIBIT A REQUIRED DOCUMENTS
- ATTACHMENT A BID TABLE

### BRAZORIA COUNTY SPECIFICATIONS / SCOPE OF WORK

#### ITB #25-40 TREATED BRIDGE TIMBERS

#### 1.0 SPECIFICATIONS / SCOPE OF WORK

- 1.1 Brazoria County is requesting pricing for Treated Bridge Timbers as indicated on the bid table spreadsheet in accordance with Texas Local Government Code 262.022, (5-a) which states, "Lowest and best" means a bid or offer providing the best value considering associated direct and indirect costs, including transport, maintenance, reliability, life cycle, warranties, and customer service after a sale. Brazoria County may award based on best value to the County.
- 1.2 Brazoria County reserves the right to add or delete like items to contract as may be in the best interest of Brazoria County. Any such added items shall be provided to Brazoria County at the same discount bid on other similar products.
- 1.3 Brazoria County may make partial or complete awards to vendors whichever is in the best interest of the County.

#### 2.0 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

TXDOT Item refers to the Texas Department of Transportation 2014 Specifications for Construction of Highways, Streets and Bridges. Grades as specified shall be in accordance with Southern Pine Inspection Bureau (SPIB) Standard Grading Rules for Southern Pine Lumber, 1994 or later edition.

All materials shall be inspected by the Southern Pine Inspection Bureau or Timber Products Inspection. A recent test report shall be submitted with the <u>first</u> invoice only, certifying that the material being furnished meets the requirements of the TXDOT and SPIB Specifications referenced. Invoices will not be approved for payment unless the test report is received with the first invoice.

# BRAZORIA COUNTY INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

#### ITB #25-40 TREATED BRIDGE TIMBERS

The following requirements and specifications shall be in addition to the other requirements contained herein and shall supersede the other requirements where applicable.

#### 1.0 THE CONTRACT:

The Contract consists of all documents included in this Invitation to Bid Number 25-40, as well as addenda issued prior to execution of the Contract and modifications issued after execution of the Contract. The Contract represents the entire and integrated agreement between the parties hereto and supersedes prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either written or oral. The Contract may only be amended or modified under the terms of this Contract. Brazoria County may make partial or complete awards to one or more vendors (if applicable) whichever is in the best interest of the County.

#### 2.0 BID REQUIREMENTS

The ITB includes instructions to respondents, specifications and contract documents. It is the responsibility of each Respondent before submitting a bid to examine the contract documents thoroughly.

#### ITB SUBMISSIONS MAY BE PROVIDED IN ONE OF TWO WAYS, AS EXPLAINED BELOW:

#### If submitting an ITB Electronic Document Submission (using the Bonfire electronic platform)

Respondent shall fill out and upload the "Exhibit A Required Forms" into the Bonfire electronic platform. An authorized representative of the company MUST sign all required forms. See "Exhibit A Required Forms" for instructions on signing electronically.

#### If submitting an ITB Hard Copy Document Submission

One (1) original hard copy shall be submitted, which will consist of "Exhibit A Required Forms".

The hard copy submission shall be sealed in an envelope or box for delivery to the Brazoria County Purchasing Director per instructions herein. All documents included in the response and the outside of the envelope and/or box must be labeled with the vendor name and the ITB number.

#### 3.0 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### 3.1 Purchase Orders:

- 3.1.1 Brazoria County will purchase a finite fixed quantity of products, as specified on the Attachment A Bid Table.
- 3.1.2 The awarded vendor must receive a proper Purchase Order Number from Brazoria County.

#### 3.2 Invoices

- 3.2.1 Invoices shall be mailed to the address on the Purchase Order.
- 3.2.2 All invoices must reference the appropriate Purchase Order number.
- 3.2.3 Invoices shall include additional detailed information such as an itemized listing of the items ordered.

#### 3.3 Pricing:

3.3.1 All prices shall be firm and shall not be subject to escalation for the term of this contract except as specifically stated herein.

- 3.3.2 Brazoria County shall be eligible for any additional discounts, specials and/or promotions offered by the vendor during the term of the contract should those discounts, specials and/or promotions offer a lower cost to the County.
- 3.3.3 Brazoria County reserves the right to negotiate discounts with the awarded vendor for new items offered and for discount modifications to reflect changes in high volume purchases.

#### **3.4** Substitutions:

- 3.4.1 Awarded vendor must fulfill order as specified by purchase order. Substitutions will not be allowed without the prior consent of the purchaser and /or Purchasing Department.
- 3.4.2 In cases where a product or brand is discontinued or not readily available, or where a purchaser specifically requests substitutions, limited substitutions may be allowed with Brazoria County written consent of approval.
- 3.4.3 Vendor substitutions shall be of equal or better quality at equal or less price than the original item requested and shall be accepted with prior approval only.

#### 3.5 Deliveries:

- 3.5.1 Bidder must provide, delivery in the price per foot (ft), as indicated in the Bid Table. Delivery will be to Brazoria County Precinct 3 located at 2508 North Gordon Street, Alvin Tx, 77511 All items shall be delivered F.O.B. Destination, Full Freight Allowed.
- 3.5.2 Delivery location address shall be provided on Brazoria County purchase orders.

#### 3.6 Purchasing Preference Recycled Material:

- 3.6.1 Per the Texas Administrative Code, Title 30 Environmental Quality, Part 1 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Chapter 328, Subchapter K, Rule § 328.203, regarding Waste Minimization and Recycling, the County is required to give preference to vendors that offer products made from recycled materials. This preference is only given if the products meet the County's specifications of quality and quantity. Preferences will be applied in accordance with state and federal procurement statutes and rules.
- 3.6.2 The County relies on vendors to correctly represent the products offered in response to a solicitation and will not be responsible for incorrect information provided by an offeror/vendor. Categories of recycled products and recommended percentages of post-consumer materials and total recovered materials content can be found in the Environmental Protection Agency's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines here: <a href="EPA Procurement Guidelines for Products">EPA Procurement Guidelines for Products</a>.

#### 4.0 QUANTITIES

Brazoria County makes no guarantee of actual contract expenditure.

#### 5.0 START TIME

After Notice of Award, awarded Vendor may be given a maximum of fifteen (15) days to become acclimated with County facilities and procedures prior to startup of services and delivery to the County.

#### 6.0 INSURANCE

Contractor shall furnish certificates of insurance to County evidencing compliance with the insurance requirements hereof for the duration of the project. Certificates shall indicate name of Contractor, name of insurance company, policy number, term of coverage and limits of coverage.

Insurance shall be placed with insurers having an A.M. Best's rating of no less than A. Such insurance must be issued by a casualty company authorized to do business in the State of Texas, and in standard form approved by the Board of Insurance Commissioners of the State of Texas, with coverage provisions insuring the public from loss or damage that may arise to any person or property by reason of services rendered by Contractor.

Insurance required herein shall be maintained in full force and effect during the life of this contract and shall be issued on an occurrence basis. Contractor shall require that any and all subcontractors that are not protected under the Contractor's own insurance policies take and maintain insurance of the same nature and in the same amounts as required of Contractor and provide written proof of such insurance to Contractor. Proof of renewed/replacement coverage shall be provided upon expiration, termination, or cancellation of any policy. Contractor shall not allow any subcontractor to commence work on the subcontract until such insurance required for the subcontractor has been obtained and approved.

In the event that the insurance is renewed during the duration of the contract, Contractor shall furnish certificate of insurance to the County evidencing renewal of policy within 30 days of renewal.

Contractor shall provide County with at least 30 days prior written notice of any reduction in the limit of liability by endorsement of the policy, cancellation or non-renewal of the insurance coverage required under this Agreement.

Certificates of Insurance, fully executed by a licensed representative of the insurance company written or countersigned by an authorized Texas state agency, shall be filed with the County Purchasing Agent within ten (10) business days of issuance of notification from the County Purchasing Agent to Bidder that the contract is being activated as written proof of such insurance and further provided that Bidder shall not commence work under this contract until it has obtained all insurance required herein and provided written proof as required herein.

#### WAIVER OF SUBROGATION:

All policies of insurance shall waive all rights of subrogation against Brazoria County, its officers, employees and agents.

#### ADDITIONALLY INSURED:

Further, on vendor's certificate of insurance supplied to Brazoria County, Brazoria County shall be listed as additionally insured with the exception of workers compensation insurance.

#### 7.0 DISCLOSURE OF CERTAIN RELATIONSHIP

Texas Local Government Code chapter 176 requires that any vendor or person who enters or seeks to enter into a contract with a local governmental entity (including any agent of such person or vendor) disclose in the Questionnaire Form CIQ the vendor or person's employment, affiliation, business relationship, family relationship or provision of gifts that might cause a conflict of interest with a local governmental entity.

By law, this questionnaire must be completed and filed with the records administrator of Brazoria County no later than the seventh business day after the date the person engages or communicates with Brazoria County or becomes aware of facts that require the completion of the questionnaire pursuant to Texas Local Government Code section 176.006.

A person commits an offense if the person knowingly violates Texas Local Government Code section 176.006. An offense under this section is a Class C misdemeanor.

A copy of House Bill 23 which amended the Texas Local Government Code Chapter 176 is available at: http://www.capitol.state.tx.us/tlodocs/84R/billtext/html/HB00023F.HTM

Texas Local Government Code Chapter 176 can be found here: http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/LG/htm/LG.176.htm

Questionnaire Form CIQ is included in this bid/offer.

By submitting a response to this request, the vendor or person represents compliance with the requirements of Texas Local Government Code chapter 176. If required, completed forms should be sent with your bid submittal, as well as to:

Brazoria County Courthouse County Clerk's Office 111 E. Locust Street, Suite 200 Angleton, TX 77515

#### 8.0 CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES

Effective January 1, 2016, all contracts and contract amendments, extensions, or renewals executed by the Commissioners Court will require the completion of Form 1295 "Certificate of Interested Parties" pursuant to Government Code § 2252.908. Form 1295 must be completed by awarded vendor at time of signed contract submittal.

Form 1295 and definitions are included in this bid/offer for your information

All responding vendors may access a video from the Texas Ethics Commission which explains the process on how to submit Form 1295. The video link is available on the Brazoria County Purchasing website at <a href="http://brazoriacountytx.gov/departments/purchasing/doing-business">http://brazoriacountytx.gov/departments/purchasing/doing-business</a>.

#### 9.0 QUESTIONS DUE DATE (FOR CLARIFICATIONS)

Any prospective respondent desiring any explanation or interpretation of the proposal must make a written request which must be received by the Purchasing Department on or before Thursday, March 20, 2025. The request must be emailed to bidclarifications@brazoriacountytx.gov. Emails must include the project name and number in the subject field.

All responses to questions or clarification requests will be answered in the form of an addendum after the question deadline and no later than 5 business days prior to the opening/closing date of the solicitation.

#### 10.0 HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESSES (HUB's)

Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUB's) are encouraged to participate in the bid/RFP processes. Although Brazoria County does not certify HUB vendors, Brazoria County recognizes the certifications of other governmental entities. If you are certified by a government entity, please upload the certificate with your response electronically in the Bonfire electronic platform or include a hard copy of your certificate in your submittal.

If applicable for Federal Funding:

Per Code of Federal Regulations, Title 2, § 200.321, "Contracting with small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms", if awarded vendor is a prime contractor and subcontractors are to be let by prime contractor, the following affirmative steps are required of the prime contractor:

- (1) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
- (2) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources:
- (3) 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;
- (4) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
- (5) 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

#### 11.0 SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT (SAM)

The System for Award Management (SAM) is the official registration required prior to bidding on a contract with any federal government agency, including local governments who receive federal funds.

Prior to award, Brazoria County will check <a href="www.sam.gov">www.sam.gov</a>, the System for Award Management (SAM), to ensure that the proposed vendor has not been debarred. Vendor shall provide their Unique Entity ID number to Brazoria County in order to check <a href="www.sam.gov">www.sam.gov</a> for debarment. If you do not have a Unique Entity ID number, you can request a number for free by visiting <a href="https://sam.gov/content/entity-registration">https://sam.gov/content/entity-registration</a>. For additional information about the change from DUNS to Unique Entity ID visit <a href="https://www.gsa.gov/about-us/organization/federal-acquisition-service/office-of-systems-management/integrated-award-environment-iae/iae-systems-information-kit/unique-entity-id-is-here</a>. Brazoria County is unable to conduct business with vendors who have been debarred.

#### 12.0 INCLEMENT WEATHER FOR HARD COPY SUBMITTALS:

In case of inclement weather or any other unforeseen event causing the County to close for business on the date of a bid/proposal submission deadline, the bid closing will automatically be postponed until the next business day the County is open.

If inclement weather conditions or any other unforeseen event causes delays in carrier service operations, the County may issue an addendum to all known vendors interested in the project to extend the deadline. It will be the responsibility of the vendor to notify the County of their interest in the project if these conditions are impacting their ability to turn in a

submission within the stated deadline. The County reserves the right to make the final judgment call to extend any deadline.

#### 13.0 AWARD LETTER

After the award has been made in Commissioner's Court, an award letter will be sent to the vendor with information on how to submit any required documentation needed to finalize the award.

#### 14.0 OTHER REQUIREMENTS

#### 14.1 Remedies

"If the bidder/vendor fails to comply with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, Brazoria County may take one or more of the following actions, as appropriate to the circumstance:

- (a) Temporarily withhold payments pending the bidder/vendor commencing in good-faith corrective action to cure the deficiency;
- (b) Permanently withhold payments; and/or
- (c) Take any and all other remedies that may be legally available.

#### 14.2 Access to Records and Record Retention

"Retention of Records. The contractor agrees to maintain all books, records, accounts and reports required under this contract for a period of not less than three years after the date of termination or expiration of this contract, except in the event of litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this contract, in which case contractor agrees to maintain same until the FEMA or applicable Federal Administrator, Brazoria County, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, have disposed of all such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related to the litigation or settlement of claims."

#### Access to Records. The following access to records requirements apply to this contract:

- 1) The contractor agrees to provide Brazoria County, any State or Federal Agency, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions.
- 1) The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
- 2)The contractor agrees to provide any State or Federal Agency, Brazoria County, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives or their authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under this contract.

#### 14.3 Debarment and Suspension

#### "Suspension and Debarment

- (1) The contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor, 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 disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
- (2) The contractor 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. (3) This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by Brazoria County. If it is later determined that the contractor 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 Texas Department of Emergency Management and Brazoria County, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
- (4) The bidder or proposer 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."

#### 14.4 Procurement of Recovered Materials (Solid Waste Disposal Act) (2 CFR 200.323):

#### Application:

A non-Federal entity that is a state agency or agency of a political subdivision of a state and its contractors must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory

level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

[78 FR 78608, Dec. 26, 2013, as amended at 79 FR 75885, Dec. 19, 2014]

- 1) In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired
- (i) Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
- (ii) Meeting contract performance requirements; or
- (iii) At a reasonable price.

Information about this requirement is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, http://www3.epa.gov/epawaste/conserve/tools/cpg/index.htm

The list of EPA-designate items is available at <a href="https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program">https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program</a>

#### 14.5 Domestic Preferences for Procurements (2 CFR 200.322)

- (a) As appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, the non-Federal entity should, to the greatest extent practicable under a Federal award, 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 subawards including all contracts and purchase orders for work or products under this award.
- (b) For purposes of this section:
- (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.
- (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.

#### 14.6 DHS Seal, Logo and Flags

"The contractor shall not use the DHS seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific FEMA or Federal Administrator preapproval."

#### 14.7 Compliance with Federal Law, Regulations, and Executive Orders

"This is an acknowledgement that FEMA (or applicable Federal Administrator) financial assistance will be used to fund the contract only. The contractor will comply will all applicable federal law, regulations, executive orders, FEMA (or applicable Federal Administrator), policies, procedures, and directives."

#### 14.8 No Obligation by Federal Government

"The Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract."

#### 14.9 Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts

"The contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the contractor's actions pertaining to this contract."

#### 14.10 Termination for Cause and Convenience

#### Termination with Cause:

"Upon written notice to the Contractor of a defect or breach of this Agreement, Contractor has five (5) business days to cure any defect(s) or breach(es) cited in said notice. If Contractor fails to cure the defect(s) or breach(es) within the five (5) business days allowed, Brazoria County may terminate this Agreement. Nevertheless, Brazoria County reserves the right to provide written notice to the Contractor that this Agreement shall continue if Contractor has in good-faith commenced efforts to cure said defect(s) or breach(es) and Contractor agrees, in writing, to continue to act without undue delay to cure said defect(s) or breach(es).

#### Termination Without Cause:

This contract may be terminated by either the County or the Contractor at any time, without cause, by providing the other Party at least thirty (30) calendar days' prior written notice.

#### 14.11 Clean Air Act

- (1) The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
- (2) The contractor agrees to report each violation to Brazoria County and understands and agrees that Brazoria County will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the applicable federal program Administrator, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- (3) The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$100,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by the applicable federal program Administrator.

#### 14.12 Federal Water Pollution Control Act

- (1) The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
- (2) The contractor agrees to report each violation to Brazoria County and understands and agrees that Brazoria County will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to Brazoria County and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- (3) The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$100,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by the applicable federal program Administrator."

#### 14.13 Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment

Contractors 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 of employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining and Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient.

#### 14.14 Energy Efficiency

The Contractor shall comply with the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6201)

#### 14.15 Equal Opportunity:

Standard. Except as otherwise provided under 41 C.F.R. Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 C.F.R. § 60-1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 C.F.R. § 60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, Equal Employment Opportunity (30 Fed. Reg. 12319, 12935, 3 C.F.R.

Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity, and implementing regulations at 41

C.F.R. Part 60 (Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor). See 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II,  $\P$  C.

b. Key Definitions.

- 1) Federally Assisted Construction Contract. The regulation at 41 C.F.R.
- § 60-1.3 defines a "federally assisted construction contract" as any agreement or modification thereof between any applicant and a person for construction work which is paid for in whole or in part with funds obtained from the Government or borrowed on the credit of the Government pursuant to any Federal program involving a grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee, or undertaken pursuant to any Federal program involving such grant, contract, loan, insurance, or any application or modification thereof approved by the Government for a grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee under which the applicant itself participates in the construction work.
- (2) Construction Work. The regulation at 41 C.F.R. § 60-1.3 defines "construction work" as the construction, rehabilitation, alteration, conversion, extension, demolition or repair of buildings, highways, or other changes or improvements to real property, including facilities providing utility services. The term also includes the supervision, inspection, and other onsite functions incidental to the actual construction

#### § 60–1.4 Equal opportunity clause.

Government contracts. Except as otherwise provided, each contracting agency shall include the following equal opportunity clause contained in section 202 of the order in each of its Government contracts (and modifications thereof if not included in the original contract):

1) The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor 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, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:

Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

- (2) The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
- (3) The contractor 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 contractor's legal duty to furnish information.
- (4) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (5) The contractor 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.
- (6) The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- (7) In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the

said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction 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.

(8) The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) 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 subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:

Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

#### 14.16 Davis-Bacon Act and Copeland Anti-Kickback Act

- (1) Minimum wages.
- (i) All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the site of the work (or under the United States Housing Act of 1937 or under the Housing Act of 1949 in the construction or development of the project), will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by regulations issued by the <u>Secretary</u> of Labor under the Copeland Act (29 CFR part 3)), the full amount of wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalents thereof) due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the contractor and such laborers and mechanics. Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under section 1(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of paragraph (a)(1)(iv) of this section; also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in § 5.5(a)(4). Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein: Provided, That the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination (including any additional classification and wage rates conformed under paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of this section) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) shall be posted at all times by the contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers.

(ii)

- (A) The <u>contracting officer</u> shall require that any class of <u>laborers</u> or mechanics, including helpers, which is not listed in the <u>wage determination</u> and which is to be <u>employed</u> under the <u>contract</u> shall be classified in conformance with the <u>wage determination</u>. The <u>contracting officer</u> shall approve an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefore only when the following criteria have been met:
- (1) The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the <u>wage</u> <u>determination</u>; and
- (2) The classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry; and
- (3) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the <u>wage determination</u>.
- (B) If the contractor and the <u>laborers</u> and mechanics to be <u>employed</u> in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the <u>contracting officer</u> agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken shall be sent by the <u>contracting officer</u> to the <u>Administrator</u> of the Wage and Hour Division, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, DC 20210. The <u>Administrator</u>, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the <u>contracting officer</u> or will notify the <u>contracting officer</u> within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

- (C) In the event the contractor, the <u>laborers</u> or mechanics to be <u>employed</u> in the classification or their representatives, and the <u>contracting officer</u> do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the <u>contracting officer</u> shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the <u>contracting officer</u>, to the <u>Administrator</u> for determination. The <u>Administrator</u>, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise the <u>contracting officer</u> or will notify the <u>contracting officer</u> within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.
- (D) The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraphs (a)(1)(ii) (B) or (C) of this section, shall be paid to all workers performing work in the classification under this <u>contract</u> from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.
- (iii) Whenever the minimum wage rate prescribed in the <u>contract</u> for a class of <u>laborers</u> or mechanics includes a fringe benefit which is not expressed as an hourly rate, the contractor shall either pay the benefit as <u>stated</u> in the <u>wage</u> <u>determination</u> or shall pay another bona fide fringe benefit or an hourly cash equivalent thereof.
- (iv) If the contractor does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the contractor may consider as part of the <u>wages</u> of any <u>laborer</u> or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program, Provided, That the <u>Secretary</u> of Labor has found, upon the written request of the contractor, that the applicable standards of the <u>Davis-Bacon Act</u> have been met. The <u>Secretary</u> of Labor may require the contractor to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program.
- (2) Withholding. The (write in name of Federal Agency or the loan or grant recipient) shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor under this contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, which is held by the same prime contractor, so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics, including apprentices, trainees, and helpers, employed by the contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by the contract. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice, trainee, or helper, employed or working on the site of the work (or under the United States Housing Act of 1937 or under the Housing Act of 1949 in the construction or development of the project), all or part of the wages required by the contract, the (Agency) may, after written notice to the contractor, sponsor, applicant, or owner, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased.
- (3) Payrolls and basic records.
- (i) Payrolls and basic records relating thereto shall be maintained by the contractor during the course of the work and preserved for a period of three years thereafter for all <u>laborers</u> and mechanics working at <u>the site of the work</u> (or under the <u>United States Housing Act of 1937</u>, or under the <u>Housing Act of 1949</u>, in the construction or development of the project). Such records shall contain the name, address, and social security number of each such worker, his or her correct classification, hourly rates of <u>wages</u> paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the <u>Davis-Bacon Act</u>), daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made and actual <u>wages</u> paid. Whenever the <u>Secretary</u> of Labor has found under <u>29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(iv)</u> that the <u>wages</u> of any <u>laborer</u> or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the <u>Davis-Bacon Act</u>, the contractor shall maintain records which show that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, and that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the <u>laborers</u> or mechanics affected, and records which show the costs anticipated or the actual cost incurred in providing such benefits. Contractors employing <u>apprentices</u> or <u>trainees</u> under approved programs shall maintain written evidence of the registration of <u>apprentices</u> and trainees, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs.

(ii)

(A) The contractor shall submit weekly for each week in which any contract work is performed a copy of all payrolls to the (write in name of appropriate federal agency) if the agency is a party to the contract, but if the agency is not such a party, the contractor will submit the payrolls to the applicant, sponsor, or owner, as the case may be, for transmission to the (write in name of agency). The payrolls submitted shall set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(i), except that full social security numbers and home addresses shall not be included on weekly transmittals. Instead the payrolls shall only need to include an individually identifying number for each employee (e.g., the last four digits of the employee's social security number). The required weekly payroll information may be submitted in any form desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for this purpose from the Wage and Hour Division Web site at http://www.dol.gov/esa/whd/forms/wh347instr.htm or its successor site. The prime contractor is responsible for the submission of copies of payrolls by all subcontractors. Contractors and subcontractors

shall maintain the full social security number and current address of each covered worker, and shall provide them upon request to the (write in name of appropriate federal agency) if the <u>agency</u> is a party to the <u>contract</u>, but if the <u>agency</u> is not such a party, the contractor will submit them to the applicant, <u>sponsor</u>, or owner, as the case may be, for transmission to the (write in name of agency), the contractor, or the Wage and Hour Division of the Department of Labor for purposes of an investigation or audit of compliance with prevailing wage requirements. It is not a violation of this section for a prime contractor to require a subcontractor to provide addresses and social security numbers to the prime contractor for its own records, without weekly submission to the <u>sponsoring</u> government <u>agency</u> (or the applicant, <u>sponsor</u>, or owner).

- (B) Each payroll submitted shall be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the contractor or subcontractor or his or her agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons <u>employed</u> under the <u>contract</u> and shall certify the following:
- (1) That the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be provided under § 5.5 (a)(3)(ii) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, the appropriate information is being maintained under § 5.5 (a)(3)(i) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, and that such information is correct and complete;
- (2) That each <u>laborer</u> or mechanic (including each helper, <u>apprentice</u>, and trainee) <u>employed</u> on the <u>contract</u> during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly <u>wages</u> earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full <u>wages</u> earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in Regulations, 29 CFR part 3;
- (3) That each <u>laborer</u> or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification of work performed, as specified in the applicable <u>wage determination</u> incorporated into the <u>contract</u>.
- (C) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by <u>paragraph (a)(3)(ii)(B)</u> of this section.
- (D) The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under section 1001 of title 18 and section 231 of title 31 of the United States Code.
- (iii) The contractor or subcontractor shall make the records required under <u>paragraph (a)(3)(i)</u> of this section available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the (write the name of the agency) or the Department of Labor, and shall permit such representatives to interview <u>employees</u> during working hours on the job. If the contractor or subcontractor fails to submit the required records or to make them available, the <u>Federal agency</u> may, after written notice to the contractor, <u>sponsor</u>, applicant, or owner, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds. Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to 29 CFR 5.12.
- (4) Apprentices and trainees -
- (i) Apprentices. Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they performed when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, or if a person is employed in his or her first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such an apprenticeship program, who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services or a State Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice. The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeymen on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the contractor as to the entire work force under the registered program. Any worker listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who is not registered or otherwise employed as stated above, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. Where a contractor is performing construction on a project in a locality other than that in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeyman's hourly rate) specified in the contractor's or subcontractor's registered program shall be observed. Every apprentice must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered program for the apprentice's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeymen hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator determines that a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringes shall be paid in accordance with that determination. In the event the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program,

the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize <u>apprentices</u> at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

- (ii) Trainees. Except as provided in 29 CFR 5.16, trainees will not be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work performed unless they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration. The ratio of trainees to journeymen on the job site shall not be greater than permitted under the plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration. Every trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for the trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the trainee program. If the trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination unless the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the corresponding journeyman wage rate on the wage determination which provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices. Any employee listed on the payroll at a trainee rate who is not registered and participating in a training plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. In the event the Employment and Training Administration withdraws approval of a training program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.
- (iii) Equal employment opportunity. The utilization of <u>apprentices</u>, <u>trainees</u> and journeymen under this part shall be in conformity with the equal employment opportunity requirements of <u>Executive Order 11246</u>, as amended, and <u>29 CFR part</u> 30.
- (5) Compliance with Copeland Act requirements. The contractor shall comply with the requirements of <u>29 CFR part 3</u>, which are incorporated by reference in this <u>contract</u>.
- (6) Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses contained in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1) through (10) and such other clauses as the (write in the name of the Federal agency) may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5.
- (7) Contract termination: debarment. A breach of the <u>contract</u> clauses in <u>29 CFR 5.5</u> may be grounds for termination of the <u>contract</u>, and for debarment as a contractor and a subcontractor as provided in <u>29 CFR 5.12</u>.
- (8) Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act requirements. All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract.
- (9) Disputes concerning labor standards. Disputes arising out of the <u>labor standards</u> provisions of this <u>contract</u> shall not be subject to the general disputes clause of this <u>contract</u>. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the Department of Labor set forth in <u>29</u> CFR parts <u>5</u>, <u>6</u>, and <u>7</u>. Disputes within the meaning of this clause include disputes between the contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the contracting <u>agency</u>, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the <u>employees</u> or their representatives.
- (10) Certification of eligibility.
- (i) By entering into this <u>contract</u>, the contractor certifies that neither it (nor he or she) nor any person or firm who has an interest in the contractor's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of section 3(a) of the <u>Davis-Bacon Act</u> or <u>29 CFR 5.12(a)(1)</u>.
- (ii) No part of this <u>contract</u> shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government <u>contract</u> by virtue of section 3(a) of the <u>Davis-Bacon Act</u> or <u>29 CFR 5.12(a)(1)</u>.
- (iii) The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U.S. Criminal Code, 18 U.S.C. 1001.

#### 14.17 "Compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act.

- (1) Contractor. The contractor shall comply with 18 U.S.C. § 874, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 3 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into this contract.
- (2) Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clause above and such other clauses as any State and or Federal Agency may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors

to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all of these contract clauses.

(3) Breach. A breach of the contract clauses above may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and subcontractor as provided in 29 C.F.R. § 5.12."

#### 14.18 Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act

- (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.
- (1) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible 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 a territory, to such District or to 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 set forth 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 set forth in paragraph (1) of this section.
- (3) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The State, Federal agency, loan or grant recipient shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys 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 set forth in paragraph (2) of this section.
- (4) Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth 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 set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section."

#### 14.19 Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement

#### Application:

a. Stafford Act Disaster Grants. This requirement does not apply to the Public Assistance, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, Fire Management Assistance Grant Program, Crisis Counseling Assistance and Training Grant Program, Disaster Case Management Grant Program, and Federal Assistance to Individuals and Households – Other Needs Assistance Grant Program, as FEMA awards under these programs do not meet the definition of "funding agreement."

- b. State or Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 C.F.R.
- § 401.2(a) and the non-Federal entity wishes to enter 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 non-Federal entity 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 7

FEMA. See 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II, ¶ F.

c. The regulation at 37 C.F.R. § 401.2(a) currently defines "funding agreement" as any contract, grant, or cooperative agreement entered into between any Federal agency, other than the Tennessee Valley Authority, and any contractor for the performance of experimental, developmental, or research work funded in whole or in part by the Federal government. This term also includes any assignment, substitution of parties, or subcontract of any type entered into for the performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under a funding agreement as defined in the first sentence of this paragraph.

## BRAZORIA COUNTY BID TABLE SUBMITTAL INSTRUCTIONS

#### ITB #25-40 TREATED BRIDGE TIMBERS

<u>Please follow the instructions found in Item 1.0 if you are submitting your bid electronically using Bonfire electronic bidding platform</u>

#### 1.0 ONLINE OFFER SUBMISSION (PREFERRED METHOD OF SUBMISSION)

RESPONDENT'S ARE TO DOWNLOAD AND FILL OUT THE ONLINE BID TABLE FROM BONFIRE AND THEN UPLOAD THE COMPLETED TABLE INTO BONFIRE TO BE INCLUDED WITH THEIR ONLINE BID SUBMISSION.

Please follow the instructions found in Item 2.0 if you are submitting a sealed hard copy bid

#### 2.0 HARD COPY BID SUBMISSION

RESPONDENT'S ARE TO INCLUDE WITH THEIR SEALED HARD COPY BID, A PRINTED COPY OF ATTACHMENT A BID TABLE.

IN ADDITION, VENDORS ARE TO INCLUDE THE BID TABLE (IN EXCEL FORMAT) SAVED TO A FLASH DRIVE OR CD.

GENERAL: Brazoria County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and waive all technicalities.

All delivered items should be priced – FOB Destination Full Freight Allowed. Brazoria County will not pay for any additional transportation and/or shipping charges.

## BRAZORIA COUNTY STATEMENT OF NO OFFER

#### ITB #25-40 TREATED BRIDGE TIMBERS

If Respondent is not submitting on the goods and/or services as stated in this ITB, please download and complete this form.

Mail the form.to: Brazoria County Courthouse, Purchasing Department, 111 E. Locust, Bldg. A-29, Suite 100, Angleton, Texas 77515. Or Fax to: 979-864-1034 Or email to: <a href="mailto:aerickson@brazoriacountytx.gov">aerickson@brazoriacountytx.gov</a> \* NAME OF FIRM: ADDRESS: SIGNATURE: TELEPHONE: DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ The above has declined to submit a response for the following reason(s) [please check all that apply]: Specifications too "restrictive", i.e., goods offered by our company do not meet stated specifications. Specifications unclear (please explain below). We do not offer this commodity and/or service or an equivalent. Insufficient time to respond to the ITB. Our schedule would not permit us to perform. Cannot meet insurance requirements. Remarks:

## BRAZORIA COUNTY STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. FUNDING: Funds for payment have been provided through the Brazoria County budget approved by the Commissioners Court for the current fiscal year only. State of Texas statutes prohibit the obligation and expenditure of public funds beyond the fiscal year for which a budget has been approved. Therefore, anticipated orders or other obligations that may arise past the end of the current Brazoria County fiscal year shall be subject to budget approval.
- 2. **DELIVERY**: Items ordered from this offer may require delivery to various locations throughout Brazoria County, as specified in this offer or at time of order. All delivery and freight charges (F.O.B. Brazoria County designated location) are to be included in the offer price except as noted herein.
- 3. AWARD OF CONTRACT: Brazoria County reserves the right to reject any or all offers, and to select any part or parts thereof without accepting the entire offer. All solicitations may be compared with contracts available to the County through other sources such as Interlocal Agreements and other appropriate sources. Brazoria County may purchase through the source that provides the best value to the County. The successful Respondent will be notified of award as promptly as a thorough analysis of offers will permit, and shall have ten (10) calendar days following date of notification of award in which to supply payment and performance bonds and certificate of insurance as may be required herein.
  - 3.1 Brazoria County hereby notifies Respondents that pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §262.0276 (effective September 1, 2003) Brazoria County is prohibited from entering into a contract or other transaction which requires approval by the Commissioners Court with an individual, sole proprietorship, corporation, non-profit corporation, partnership joint venture, limited corporation or other entity which is indebted to the County. Further, that this Contract may be terminated and payment withheld if awarded Respondent becomes indebted to the County during the term of the Contract.
- **4. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT:** All contracts will be awarded by Brazoria County without consideration as to race, religion, sex, national origin or disability of bidder. Successful bidders are required to adhere to the provisions of 42 USCA Sec. 12101 et seq., Americans with Disabilities Act.
- 5. CONTRACT: The Contract consists of the Instructions to Respondents, Specifications/Statement of Work, Standard Terms & Conditions, all well as all other documents included in the Invitation to Bid Number 25-40 as stated in the Invitation to Bid Package Checklist, and any drawings and other specifications, as well as addenda issued prior to execution of the Contract, other documents listed in the Contract, and modifications issued after execution of the Contract represents the entire and integrated agreement between the parties hereto and supersedes prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either written or oral. No invoices will be paid prior to acceptance of Contract by Brazoria County. No different or additional terms will become a part of this Contract, except as agreed upon by all parties hereto.
- **6. INTERLOCAL PARTICIPATION**: It is hereby made a precondition of any offer for a Contract for supplies or services and a part of these specifications, that the submission of any offer in response to this request constitutes a offer made under the same conditions, for the same price, and for the same effective period as this offer, to any other governmental entity having an interlocal agreement with Brazoria County.
  - **6.1** It is further understood, that any other governmental entity that elects to use a Brazoria County semi-annual or annual award will issue its own Contracts or purchase orders and will require separate billing.
- 7. **DEFAULT OF RESPONDENT**: If successful respondent defaults by failing to supply payment and performance bonds and/or certificate of insurance within the ten (10) day period allotted, award shall pass to the next respondent who provides the best value to Brazoria County upon the approval of Commissioners' Court.
  - 7.1 Respondent, in submitting this offer, agrees that Brazoria County shall not be liable for damages in the event that the County declares the respondent in default.
- 8. ADDENDA: Any interpretations, corrections or changes to these Contract documents and specifications will be made by addenda. Sole issuing authority of addenda shall be vested in the Brazoria County Purchasing Director. Addenda will be mailed to all that are known to have received a copy of the offer package and/or Contract. Respondents shall acknowledge receipt of all addenda.
- 9. SALES TAX: Brazoria County is exempt by law from payment of Texas Sales Tax and Federal Excise Tax.

- 10. ETHICAL CONDUCT: The respondent shall not offer or accept gifts or anything of value, nor enter into any business arrangement with any employee, official, or Director of Brazoria County. No public official shall have interest in this Contract, in accordance with Texas Local Government Code Annotated Title 5, Subtitle C, Chapter 171.
  - 10.1 The Respondent affirms that the only person or parties interested in this offer as principals are those named herein, and that this offer is made without collusion with any other person, firm, or corporation.
- 11. MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR RESPONSIBLE PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS: A prospective bidder must affirmatively demonstrate bidder's responsibility. A prospective bidder must meet the following requirements:
  - 1) Have adequate financial resources, or the ability to obtain such resources as required;
  - 2) Be able to comply with the required or proposed delivery schedule;
  - 3) Have a satisfactory record of performance;
  - 4) Have a satisfactory record of integrity and ethics;
  - 5) Be otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award.
    - 11.1 Brazoria County may request representation and other information sufficient to determine bidder's ability to meet these minimum standards listed above.
- **12. REFERENCES**: During an analysis of all offers, Brazoria County may request Respondent to supply a list of three (3) references to which like services or materials have been supplied by Respondent. If requested, references should include name of firm, address, telephone number and name of representative.
- **13. INSURANCE**: Prior to acceptance of contract by Brazoria County, the successful Respondent must furnish a Certificate of Insurance from an approved insurance carrier for the coverage indicated.
- 14. SILENCE OF SPECIFICATIONS: The apparent silence of the specifications contained as a part of this package as to any detail or to the apparent omission of a detailed description concerning any point, shall be regarded as meaning that only the best commercial practices are to prevail. All interpretations of these specifications shall be made on the basis of this statement.
- 15. INDEMNIFICATION: The successful Respondent (herein after referred to as Contractor), shall defend, indemnify, and save harmless Brazoria County and all its officers, Directors, officials, agents, and employees from all suits, actions, or other claims of any character, name, and description brought for or on account of any injuries or damages of any negligent act or fault of the Contractor; or on account of or in consequence of any neglect in safeguarding the work; or through use of unacceptable materials in constructing the work; or because of any act of omission, neglect, or misconduct of said Contractor; or because any claims or amount recovered from any infringements of patent, trademark, or copyright; or from any claims or amounts arising recovered under the Worker's Compensation Act, or any other law, ordinance, order, or decree; or of any Director, employee, subcontractor, or supplier in the execution of, or performance under, any Contract which may result from award of bid/offer.
  - 15.1 Further, Contractor indemnifies and will indemnify and save harmless Brazoria County from liability, claim or demand on their part, their Directors, servants, customers, employees, subcontractors, or any employees or agents of subcontractors, whether such liability, claim, or demand arise from event or casualty happening within the job site itself or elsewhere. Contractor shall pay any judgment with costs which may be obtained against Brazoria County growing out of such injury or damages.
  - 15.2 Money due the Contractor under and by virtue of his Contract as may be considered necessary by the County for such purpose may be retained for the use of the County, or in case no money is due, his surety may be held until such suit or suits action or actions, claim or claims for injuries or damages as aforesaid shall have been settled and suitable evidence to the effect furnished to the County, except that money due the Contractor will not be withheld when the Contractor produces satisfactory evidence that he is adequately protected by public liability and property damage insurance.
- 16. THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARY CLAUSE: It is specifically agreed between the parties executing the Contract that it is not intended by any of the provisions of any part of the Contract to create with the public or any member thereof a third party beneficiary or to authorize anyone not a party to the Contract to maintain a suit for personal injuries or property damage pursuant to the terms or provisions of the Contract.
- 17. PURCHASE ORDERS REQUIRED: All orders for materials or work must be authenticated by a purchase order issued by the Brazoria County Purchasing Department. Invoices not bearing a purchase order number will not be paid.

- 18. TESTING: All materials being used in fulfillment of this Contract are subject to inspection or test at any time during their preparation, delivery, or use. At the option of the County Purchasing Director, they may be sampled and tested in order to determine compliance with the governing specifications. Materials not conforming to the requirements of these specifications shall not be used in fulfillment of this Contract with Brazoria County. The County reserves the right to immediately terminate any Contract found not to be in compliance with governing specifications as a result of testing by the County.
- 19. WAGES: Contractor shall pay or cause to be paid, without cost or expense to Brazoria County, all Social Security, Unemployment and Federal Income Withholding Taxes of all employees; and all such employees shall be paid wages and benefits as required by Federal and/or State law. Contracts involving construction work or supply of materials in place shall abide by the provisions of Article 5159d Texas Revised Civil Statutes Annotated.
- 20. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT: Termination with Cause:

"Upon written notice to the Contractor of a defect or breach of this Agreement, Contractor has five (5) business days to cure any defect(s) or breach(es) cited in said notice. If Contractor fails to cure the defect(s) or breach(es) within the five (5) business days allowed, Brazoria County may terminate this Agreement. Nevertheless, Brazoria County reserves the right to provide written notice to the Contractor that this Agreement shall continue if Contractor has in good-faith commenced efforts to cure said defect(s) or breach(es) and Contractor agrees, in writing, to continue to act without undue delay to cure said defect(s) or breach(es).

#### **Termination Without Cause:**

This contract may be terminated by either the County or the Contractor at any time, without cause, by providing the other Party at least thirty (30) calendar days' prior written notice.

- 21. DELIVERY OF NOTICES: Any notice provided by this Contract (or required by law) to be given to the Contractor by Brazoria County shall be conclusively deemed to have been given and received on the next day after such written notice has been deposited in the mail in Angleton, Texas, by Registered or Certified mail with sufficient postage affixed thereto, addressed to the Contractor at the address so provided; provided this shall not prevent the giving of actual notice in any other manner.
- 22. DELIVERY TICKETS: Delivery tickets shall accompany each order shipped, and shall show Contractor's name and address, delivery location, Brazoria County purchase order number and descriptive information as to item and quantity delivered.
- 23. HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES: State law requires that shipments of hazardous substances shall include MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEETS (MSDS). MSDS must be supplied with the first order shipped under any contract, and at any time MSDS is revised.
- 24. PAYMENT: Payment shall be made upon receipt and/or acceptance in accordance with the terms of this Contract by the County of items(s) ordered, and receipt of a valid invoice in accordance with Texas Government Code chapter 2251. Contractor is required to pay subcontractors within ten (10) days.
- 25. CONTRACTOR'S LIABILITY: The Contractor shall be responsible for all damage or injury to property of any character during the execution of the work, resulting from any act, omission, neglect, or misconduct in his manner or method of executing the work, including the Contractor's agents, employees, subcontractors, and any employees or agents of subcontractors, or at any time due to defective work or materials, and said responsibility will not be released until the project shall have been completed and accepted.
  - 25.1 When or where any direct or indirect damage or injury is done to public or private property by or on account of any act, omission, neglect, or misconduct in the execution of the work, or in consequence of the non-execution thereof by the Contractor, including the Contractor's agents, employees, subcontractors, and any employees or agents of subcontractors, he shall restore, at his own expense, such property to a condition similar or equal to that existing before such damage or injury was done, by repairing, rebuilding, or otherwise restoring as he may be directed, or he shall make good such damage or injury in an acceptable manner.
- 26. DEFECTIVE MATERIALS: Unless otherwise stated herein, items supplied under this Contract shall be subject to the County's approval. Items found defective or not meeting specifications shall be picked up and replaced by the Contractor at the next service day at no expense to the County. If item is not picked up within one (1) week after notification, the item will become a donation to the County for disposition.
- 27. WARRANTY: Contractor shall warrant that all items and services shall conform to the proposed specifications, all warranties as stated in the Uniform Commercial Code, and be free from all defects in material, workmanship and title.

Contractor and the County agree that both parties have all rights, duties, and remedies available as stated in the Uniform Commercial Code. Further, Contractor shall provide additional warranty requirements as defined in the Scope of Work attached. Respondents must provide all warranty terms and conditions in response package.

- **28. ASSIGNMENT**: Contractor shall not sell, assign, transfer or convey this Contract, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of Brazoria County.
- 29. GOVERNING LAW: Contractor is advised that these requirements shall be fully governed by the laws of the State of Texas and that Brazoria County may request and rely on advice, decisions and opinions of the Attorney General of Texas and the County Attorney concerning any portion of these requirements. All disputes arising out of this agreement will be resolved in Brazoria County, Texas.
  - All documents are subject to the Public Information Act requirements.
- 30. DRAWINGS: All drawings, plans, and specifications are hereby attached and made a part of this Contract.
- 31. RIGHT TO AUDIT: At any time during the term of this Contract and for a period of four (4) years thereafter, the State of Texas, Brazoria County, and/or other federal, State and local agencies which may have jurisdiction over this contract and/or purchase order, at reasonable times and at its expense reserve the right to audit successful bidder's records and books. If needed for audit, original or independently certified copies of off-site records will be provided to auditors at successful respondent's expense within two (2) weeks of written request.
- **32. BID BOND:** If required by the County, all respondents must submit with bid, a Bid Bond for at least five percent (5%) of the total bid price, if the bid exceeds \$100,000 in Contract price or if the Contract includes construction of public work. Such Bid Bond issued by a surety, acceptable to Brazoria County, authorized to do business in the State of Texas, is a guaranty that the respondent will enter into a contract with Brazoria County (as outlined in the Instructions/Specifications/Statement of Work and attachments) and that offer will furnish the requisite performance and payment bonds as may be required.
- 33. PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS: (Public Works Contract or as Required by Commissioner's Court) In the event the total accepted bid price exceeds \$25,000 the successful respondent must provide to the office of the County Purchasing Director, a payment bond, and if the price exceeds \$100,000 the successful respondent must also provide a performance bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the total contract sum within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of notification of bid/proposal award.

  Such bonds shall be executed by a corporate surety or corporate sureties in accordance with Article 7.19-1, Vernon's Texas Insurance Code. Such corporate surety/sureties shall be duly authorized and admitted to do business in the State of Texas and licensed in the State of Texas to issue fidelity and surety bonds with a Best Rating of "A" or better and have a bonding capacity adequate for the prescribed amount. Brazoria County reserves the right to accept or reject any surety company proposed by the respondent. In the event Brazoria County rejects the proposed surety company, the respondent will be afforded five (5) additional days to submit the required bonds issued by a surety company acceptable to Brazoria County.
- **34. APPLICABLE LAW:** All applicable laws and regulations of the State of Texas and ordinances and regulations of Brazoria County shall apply.
- **35. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS:** Respondent shall at all times observe and comply with all federal, state, local and municipal ordinances, rules, regulations, relating to the provision of the services contracted to be provided by respondent hereunder or which in any manner affect this Contract.
- **36. FORCE MAJEURE:** Neither the County nor the successful respondent shall be deemed in violation of this Agreement if either is prevented from performing its obligations hereunder for any reason beyond its control, including but not limited to, acts of God, civil or military authority, acts of public enemy, war riots, rebellions, accidents, fires, explosions, earthquakes, floods, or catastrophic failure of public transportation; provided however, that in the event of strikes or labor disputes, an inability to procure raw materials, equipment, power or supplies, or the enactment of any law, order, proclamation, regulation, ordinance, demand, or other requirement of any governmental agency or intergovernmental body, which prevents, restricts, interferes or delays with the performance of this Contract, the party so affected, upon giving notice to the other party, shall be excused from such performance to the extent of such prevention, restriction, delay or interference, so long as the party so affected shall use reasonable efforts under the circumstance to avoid or remove such causes of nonperformance, and shall continue performance hereunder with the utmost dispatch whenever such causes are removed.
- **37. SEVERABILITY:** If any provision of this Contract is held to be unenforceable for any reason, the unenforceability thereof shall not affect any other provision contained herein, and the remainder of the Contract shall remain in full force and effect, and enforceable in accordance with its terms.

- **38. QUANTITIES:** Brazoria County requests purchase prices for the items identified in this offer, and in accordance with the specifications provided herein. The quantities provided are given as a guideline only for the purpose of offer preparation. These quantities shall not be construed as the total number of purchases for the Contract. This estimated figure may increase and/or decrease throughout the year. No guarantee is expressed or implied as to the total quantity of items to be purchased under this Contract.
  - 38.1 Brazoria County reserves the right to add or delete like or related items at any time during the term of this Contract. The additions or deletions shall be incorporated into the contract in the form of an addendum. Additional items shall be priced in accordance with this contract with appropriate discounts being applied.
- **39. PURCHASE FROM OTHER SOURCES:** Brazoria County reserves the right to purchase goods and/or services specified herein, or of equal or like kind, through contracts established by other governmental agencies or thorough separate procurement actions due to the unique or special needs of Brazoria County. Further, the County reserves the right to obtain such goods and/or services from others without penalty or prejudice to the County or the respondent and such action shall not invalidate in whole or in part this Contract or any rights or remedies Brazoria County may have hereunder.
- **40. AGREEMENT TO NOT BOYCOTT ISRAEL:** By agreeing to this Purchase Order [or if no formal agreement, by providing the good(s) / services(s)] the vendor verifies it does not boycott Israel and will not boycott Israel, as defined by Chapter 808 of the Texas Government Code, during the term of this contract [during the time necessary to provide the good(s) / services(s)].
- **41. TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 552, SUBCHAPTER J**: Effective January 1, 2020, the requirements of Subchapter J, Chapter 552, Texas Government Code, may apply to this contract and the Contractor agrees that the contract can be terminated if the Contractor knowingly or intentionally fails to comply with a requirement of that subchapter.
- 42. PROHIBITED TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT CERTIFICATION: By agreeing to this purchase order (or if no formal agreement, by providing goods/services) the vendor represents and warrants that the equipment, systems, and/or services which it will provide to Brazoria County do not use covered telecommunications equipment or services (as defined in Section 889 John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (FY 2019 NDAA), Pub. L. No. 115-232 (2018)) as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system. Additionally, the vendor represents and warrants that the equipment, systems, and/or services it will provide are not prohibited from being procured using grant funds under section 889 of the FY 2019 NDAA.
- **43. AGREEMENT TO NOT BOYCOTT ENERGY COMPANIES:** By agreeing to this Purchase Order [or if no formal agreement, by providing the good(s) / services(s)] the vendor verifies it does not boycott energy companies and will not boycott energy companies, as defined by Chapter 809 of the Texas Government Code, during the term of this contract [during the time necessary to provide the good(s) / services(s)].
- **44. AGREEMENT TO NOT DISCRIMINATE AGAINST A FIREARM ENTITY OR TRADE ASSOCIATION:** By agreeing to this Purchase Order [or if no formal agreement, by providing the good(s) / services(s)] the vendor verifies it does not discriminate against a firearm entity or trade association and will not discriminate against a firearm entity or trade association, as defined by Chapter 2274 of the Texas Government Code, during the term of this contract [during the time necessary to provide the good(s) / services(s)].
- **45. DEBRIEF, PROTEST AND APPEAL PROCEDURES:** Please see page 20 of 48, section D. of the Brazoria County Policy and Procedure Manual which can be found on the Brazoria County Purchasing Department's "Doing Business" webpage, <a href="https://www.brazoriacountytx.gov/departments/purchasing/doing-business">https://www.brazoriacountytx.gov/departments/purchasing/doing-business</a>.
- 46. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTED PARTIES FORM 1295: A person or business, who enters into a contract with the County, meeting the conditions according to Texas Local Government Code Sec. 2252.908, is required to file Form 1295 with Texas Ethics Commission. A contract entered into by a governmental entity is voidable for failure to provide the disclosure of interested parties if the entity submits written notice to the business entity of the failure to submit the form and the business entity has not provided the form on, or before, the 10<sup>th</sup> business day after the business entity receives written notice to submit the Form 1295. This form is not required unless there is a contract between the vendor and the Brazoria County. Do not submit this form unless you receive an award letter from the County.

# BRAZORIA COUNTY SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

#### **BIDDER INSTRUCTIONS:**

READ THIS ENTIRE DOCUMENT CAREFULLY. FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FULFILLING ALL REQUIREMENTS AND SPECIFICATIONS. BE SURE YOU UNDERSTAND THEM.

The following requirements and specifications supersede other requirements where applicable.

#### General

All bids inclusive of pricing shall remain firm for acceptance for a minimum period of ninety (90) days from opening date unless otherwise specified by Brazoria County.

Prices bid shall reflect the full Specifications/Statement of Work as defined per the ITB documents, inclusive of all associated costs for insurance, taxes, overhead, profit and bonding, if required and so identified.

Bidder must include all incidental costs in his pricing. Brazoria County will not provide or allow for parking or travel reimbursements for the bidder's employees. Bidder's offices, administration and/or place of business will not be on Brazoria County premises and will be the bidder's responsibility. Only those costs shown on the Pricing/Delivery Sheet and confirmed by a purchase order will be paid.

It is also understood that any and all persons who provide services under Contract to Brazoria County, resulting from this Invitation to Bid, shall be and remain employees of the Contractor, not Brazoria County. It is understood and agreed that the bidder is solely responsible for all services being provided and shall provide adequate insurance to cover against any and all losses incurred by the bidder's employees and or equipment during the course of the Contract.

All correspondence relating to this ITB, from receipt to award shall be sent to the Brazoria County Purchasing Director.

No award or acquisition can be made until Commissioners' Court approves such action.

This Invitation to Bid in no manner obligates Brazoria County or any of its agencies to the eventual purchase of any goods and/or service described, implied or which may be bid, until confirmed by a written Contract and purchase order. Progress toward this end is solely at the discretion of Brazoria County and may be terminated at any time prior to the signing of a Contract.

Brazoria County will not be liable for any costs incurred by the bidder in preparing a response to this ITB. Brazoria County makes no guarantee that any goods and/or services will be purchased as a result of this Invitation to Bid, and reserves the right to reject any and all bids. All bids and their accompanying documentation will become the property of Brazoria County.

The bidder is expected to examine all documents, forms, specifications, and all instructions. Failure to do so will be at bidder's risk.

#### ITB Electronic Document Completion (using Bonfire electronic platform)

Bidder shall fill out, electronically **SIGN**, and upload the document into the Bonfire electronic platform. An authorized representative of the bidder **MUST** electronically sign the Bidder Acknowledgement Form. The Contract will be binding upon award and when signed by the Brazoria County Judge and a purchase order authorizing the item(s) desired has been issued.

ALL ITBs are to be F.O.B. Destination, Net Thirty (30) Days.

#### **ITB Hard Copy Document Completion**

Bidder shall fill out, **SIGN**, and return to the Brazoria County Purchasing Department one (1) original of the complete ITB document. Bidders are to include with their sealed hard copy bid, a printed copy of Attachment A bid table.

In addition, vendors are to include the bid table (in excel format) saved to a flash drive or CD.

An authorized representative of the bidder MUST sign the Contract Sheet upon award. The Contract will be binding only when awarded in court and signed by the Brazoria County Judge and a purchase order authorizing the item(s) desired has been issued.

The use of liquid paper is **NOT** acceptable and may result in the disqualification of ITB. If an error is made, bidder **MUST** draw a line through the error and initial each change.

PLEASE NOTE: Unless otherwise specified, ALL ITBs are to be F.O.B. Destination, Net Thirty (30) Days

#### **Exceptions**

Bidder/Respondent Terms & Conditions are subject to the review and approval of Brazoria County. In the event of conflicting Terms & Conditions, the terms and conditions contained in the solicitation package shall prevail. Bidder/Respondent must clearly identify any conflict with terms & conditions by denoting them on the same page where the conflicting terms and conditions appear.

#### **Public Information Act**

All responses to this solicitation are in their entirety, subject to the Public Information Act. Brazoria County will respond to open records requests in accordance to law by providing all requested response information unless respondent (respondent) has specifically identified, in the response package, any section or part respondent deems confidential and/or proprietary. Respondent must note and identify such information on the page where such information appears in the same manner as other exceptions.

#### **Late Bid - Electronic Submissions**

Once the project closes in Bonfire, bidders are not able to upload a finalized submission electronically.

#### **Late Bid – Hard Copy Submissions**

Hard Copy bids received in the office of the County Purchasing Director after submission deadline will be considered void and unacceptable. Brazoria County is not responsible for lateness or non-delivery of mail, carrier, etc., and the date/time stamp in the office of the County Purchasing Director shall be the official time of receipt.

#### **Altering Submissions - Electronic**

If an error is made after your bid submission is finalized, click <u>HERE</u> for instructions. Bonfire allows for bidders to make alterations or amendments and re-submit their submissions before the project closes.

#### Altering Submissions - Hard Copy

Bids cannot be altered or amended after submission deadline. Any interlineation, alteration, or erasure made before opening time must be initialed by the signer of the bid/offer, guaranteeing authenticity.

#### Substitutions to Bid

Brazoria County reserves the right to accept any and all or none of the substitutions deemed to be in the best interest of the County.

#### Withdrawal of Bid/Offer

A bid/offer may not be withdrawn or canceled by the bidder without the permission of Brazoria County for a period of ninety (90) days following the date designated for the receipt of bids/offers, and bidder so agrees upon submittal of their bid/offer.

#### Descriptions

Any reference to model and/or make/manufacturer used in bid/offer specifications or scope of work are descriptive, not restrictive. It is used to indicate the type and quality desired. Bids/Offers on items of like quality will be considered. Bid must provide hardware specifications where hardware is offered.

#### **Terms of Payment**

Terms of payment shall be Net Thirty (30) Days from receipt of acceptable invoice and/or acceptance of conforming goods, whichever is later. However, alternate terms will be considered and may be bid. Invoices for installed equipment and software will not be paid prior to complete acceptance by Brazoria County unless otherwise specified. If installation of equipment and software is delayed, the County reserves the right (without extra expense or penalty) to delay a portion of the payment until equipment is installed and functioning properly.

#### **Contract Term**

Award will be made to the lowest and best bid meeting specifications. Renewal shall be subject to approval by Brazoria County Commissioners Court each period. Once renewal option is exhausted, the Contract must be re-bid.

Brazoria County retains the option to rebid at any time if in its best interest and is not automatically bound to renewal or rebid.

#### **Pricing / Delivery**

All items should be priced – FOB Destination Full Freight Allowed, inside delivery. Brazoria County will not pay for any additional transportation and/or shipping charges.

No charges may be billed to the County unless such costs were explicitly included in the bid/proposal. Bidder will incur any costs not explicitly included in the bid/proposal and/or mutually agreed to in writing by the Brazoria County Purchasing Department.

**Reduction in Price:** If during the life of the contract, the successful bidder's net prices to other customers for items awarded herein are reduced below the contracted price, it is understood and agreed that the benefits of such reduction shall be extended to Brazoria County.

**Price Increase:** Requests for price adjustments must be solely for the purpose of accommodating an increase in the vendor's cost. A request for a pricing increase will be reviewed by Purchasing Department using the Producer Price Index (PPI) and/or Consumer Price Index (CPI) and any other research available to determine market conditions favorable to the increase. If market conditions dictate an increase to an awarded vendor's cost, the awarded vendor may submit a request to increase pricing no later than thirty (30) days after receiving notice of the County's intent to renew the contract. Requests will only be considered at the time of renewal with written approval from the County. Additionally, the vendor must de-escalate pricing on a previously escalated item, if the decrease is appropriate, due to market conditions.

The request must be in writing and substantiated with supporting documentation (i.e., increase in manufacturers direct cost, etc.). The request shall be addressed to the County Purchasing Director, 111 E. Locust, Bldg. A-29, Suite 100, Angleton, Texas 77515. The request may also be emailed to the Contract Specialist listed in the solicitation. The awarded vendor's past history of honoring contracts at the bid/offer price will be an important consideration in the determination of requested price increase. Brazoria County reserves the right to accept or reject any/all of the requests for price adjustments as it deems to be in the best interest of the County. If rejected, either party may terminate the contract in accordance with the termination provisions of the contract.

#### **Contract Obligations**

This bid, submitted documents and any negotiations, when properly accepted by Brazoria County, shall constitute a Contract equally binding between the successful bidder and Brazoria County. The selected bidder will be considered as the prime Contractor and shall assume responsibility for the goods and/or services. Failure to meet obligations may result in the cancellation of any Contracts.

The bidder's response may be incorporated into any Contract which results from this ITB, therefore, bidders are cautioned not to make claims or statements which they are not prepared to commit to contractually. Failure by the bidder to meet such claims will result in a requirement that the bidder provide resources necessary to meet submitted claims and/or breach of Contract.

#### Title VI and Related Statues Nondiscrimination Statement

Brazoria County, as a recipient of Federal financial assistance and under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and related statutes, ensures that no person shall on the grounds of race, religion (where the primary objective of the financial assistance is to provide employment per 42 U.S.S. § 2000d-3), color, national origin, sex, age or disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any Department programs or activities.

L.M. "MATT" SEBESTA, JR.

**COUNTY JUDGE** 

#### Titulo VI y Estatutos Relacionados Declaration de No Discrimacion

Brazoria County, como beneficiario de la asistencia financiera federal y según el Título VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964 y los estatutos relacionados, asegura que ninguna persona será excluida por motivos de raza, religión (donde el objetivo principal de la ayuda financiera es proporcionar empleo por 42 USS § 2000d-3), color, origen nacional, sexo, edad o discapacidad de participacion en, o negado los beneficios de, ni será sujeto a discriminación bajo ningún programa o las actividades del Departamento.

L.M. "MATT" SEBESTA, JR.

**COUNTY JUDGE** 

CERTIFICATE OF INTE	ERESTED PARTIES		FORM <b>1295</b>
Complete Nos. 1 - 4 and 6 if th Complete Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6	ere are interested parties. if there are no interested parties.	OFFI	CE USE ONLY
Name of business entity filing form, entity's place of business.	and the city, state and country of the busin	ness	
2 Name of governmental entity or state agency that is a party to the contract for which the form is being filed.			
3 Provide the identification number used by the governmental entity or state agency to track or identify the contract, and provide a description of the services, goods, or other property to be provided under the contract.			
Name of Interested Party	City, State, Country (place of business)	Nature of Interes	t (check applicable)
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5 Check only if there is NO Interes	ted Party.		
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My address is(street)  I declare under penalty of perjury that the fo	(city)	(state) (zip cod	de) (country)
Executed in County,	State of, on the day of _		(year)
Signature of authorized agent of contracting business entity (Declarant)			
ADD ADDITIONAL PAGES AS NECESSARY			

Form provided by Texas Ethics Commission

www.ethics.state.tx.us

Revised 12/22/2017

## TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION RULES

#### CHAPTER 46. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTED PARTIES

- § 46.1. Application
- (a) This chapter applies to section 2252.908 of the Government Code
- (b) Section 2252.908 of the Government Code applies only to a contract of a governmental entity or state agency entered into after December 31, 2015, that meets either of the following conditions:
  - (1) the contract requires an action or vote by the governing body of the entity or agency; or
  - (2) The value of the contract is at least \$1 million.
- (c) A contract does not require an action or vote by the governing body of a governmental entity or state agency if:
  - (1) the governing body has legal authority to delegate to its staff the authority to execute the contract
  - (2) The governing body has delegated to its staff the authority to execute the contract; and
  - (3) The governing body does not participate in the selection of the business entity with which the contract is entered into.

#### § 46.3. Definitions

- (a) "Contract" means a contract between a governmental entity or state agency and a business entity at the time it is voted on by the governing body or at the time it binds the governmental entity or state agency, whichever is earlier, and includes an amended, extended, or renewed contract.
- (b) "Business entity" includes an entity through which business is conducted with a governmental entity or state agency, regardless of whether the entity is a for-profit or nonprofit entity. The term does not include a governmental entity or state agency.
- (c) "Controlling interest" means: (1) an ownership interest or participating interest in a business entity by virtue of units, percentage, shares, stock, or otherwise that exceeds 10 percent; (2) membership on the board of directors or other governing body of a business entity of which the board or other governing body is composed of not more than 10 members; or (3) service as an officer of a business entity that has four or fewer officers, or service as one of the four officers most highly compensated by a business entity that has more than four officers. Subsection (3) of this section does not apply to an officer of a publicly held business entity or its wholly owned subsidiaries.
- (d) "Interested party" means: (1) a person who has a controlling interest in a business entity with whom a governmental entity or state agency contracts; or (2) an intermediary.
- (e) "Intermediary," for purposes of this rule, means, a person who actively participates in the facilitation of the contract or negotiating the contract, including a broker, adviser, attorney, or representative of or agent for the business entity who:
  - (1) receives compensation from the business entity for the person's participation;
  - (2) communicates directly with the governmental entity or state agency on behalf of the business entity regarding the contract; and
  - (3) is not an employee of the business entity or of an entity with a controlling interest in the business entity.
- (f) "Signed" includes any symbol executed or adopted by a person with present intention to authenticate a writing, including an electronic signature.
- (g) "Value" of a contract is based on the amount of consideration received or to be received by the business entity from the governmental entity or state agency under the contract.
- § 46.4. Changes to Contracts (new rule effective January 1, 2017)
- (a) Section 2252.908 of the Government Code does not apply to a change made to an existing contract, including an amendment, change order, or extension of a contract, except as provided by subsections (b) or (c) of this section.
- (b) Section 2252.908 of the Government Code applies to a change made to an existing contract, including an amendment, change order, or extension of a contract, if a disclosure of interested parties form was not filed for the existing contract; and either:
  - (1) the changed contract requires an action or vote by the governing body of the entity or agency;

or

- (2) the value of the changed contract is at least \$1 million.
- (c) Section 2252.908 of the Government Code applies to a change made to an existing contract, including an amendment, change order, or extension of a contract, if the business entity submitted a disclosure of interested parties form to the governmental entity or state agency that is a party to the existing contract; and either:
  - (1) there is a change to the disclosure of interested parties; or
  - (2) the changed contract requires an action or vote by the governing body of the entity or agency;
  - (3) the value of the changed contract is at least \$1 million greater than the value of the existing contract.

#### § 46.5. Disclosure of Interested Parties Form

- (a) A disclosure of interested parties form required by section 2252.908 of the Government Code must be filed on an electronic form prescribed by the commission that contains the following:
  - (1) The name of the business entity filing the form and the city, state, and country of the business entity's place of business;
  - (2) The name of the governmental entity or state agency that is a party to the contract for which the form is being filed;
  - (3) The name of each interested party and the city, state, and country of the place of business of each interested party;
  - (4) The identification number used by the governmental entity or state agency to track or identify the contract for which the form is being filed and a short description of the services, goods, or other property used by the governmental entity or state agency provided under the contract; and
  - (5) An indication of whether each interested party has a controlling interest in the business entity, is an intermediary in the contract for which the disclosure is being filed, or both.
- (b) The certification of filing and the completed disclosure of interested parties form generated by the commission's electronic filing application must be printed, signed by an authorized agent of the contracting business entity, and submitted to the governmental entity or state agency that is the party to the contract for which the form is being filed.
- (c) A governmental entity or state agency that receives a completed disclosure of interested parties form and certification of filing shall notify the commission, in an electronic format prescribed by the commission, of the receipt of those documents not later than the 30th day after the date the governmental entity or state agency receives the disclosure.
- (d) The commission shall make each disclosure of interested parties form filed with the commission under section 2252.908(f) of the Government Code available to the public on the commission's Internet website not later than the seventh business day after the date the commission receives the notice required under subsection (c) of this section.
- \*\*Note: A contract entered into by a governmental entity is voidable for failure to provide the disclosure of interested parties if the entity submits written notice to the business entity of the failure to submit the form and the business entity has not provided the form on, or before, the 10<sup>th</sup> business day after the business entity receives written notice to submit the Form 1295.

#### **Boycott Verification**

This verification is required pursuant to Sections 808, 809, 2271, and 2274 (87(R) Senate Bill 13 and 19 versions) of the Texas Government Code:

#### Definitions:

- 1. Per Government Code Chapter 808, "Boycott Israel" means refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations specifically with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli-controlled territory, but does not include an action made for ordinary business purpose
- 2. Per Government Code Chapter 809, "Boycott energy company" means, without an ordinary business purpose, refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations with a company because the company:
  - (A)engages in the exploration, production, utilization, transportation, sake or normalization of fossil fuel-based energy and does not commit or pledge to meet environmental standards beyond applicable federal and state law; or
  - (B) does business with a company described by Paragraph (A).
- 3. Per Government Code Chapter 2274 (87(R) Senate Bill 19), "Discriminate against a firearm entity or firearm trade association":
  - (A) means, with respect to the entity or association, to
    - (i) refuse to engage in the trade of any goods or services with the entity of association based solely on its status as a fire-entity or firearm trade a secution;
    - (ii) refrain from continuing an existing business relationship with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association; of
    - (iii) terminate an existing Dusiness relationship with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association,

(Person name), the undersigned representative of (Company or Business

4. "Company" has the meaning assigned by Texas Government Code Sections 808.001(2), 809.001(2), and 2274.001(2) (87(R) Senate Bill 19).

This verification is only required for a contract that is between a governmental entity and a company with 10 or more full-time employees; and has a value of \$100,000 or more that is to be paid wholly or partly from public funds of the governmental entity. If your contract value or number of employees does not reach that threshold, please provide a written certification of the contract amount and number of employees.

Name)	(hereinafter referred to as Company)
being an adult over the age of eightee	en (18) years of age, do hereby depose and verify under oath that the company named-
above,	
(A) does not boycott Israel curre	ntly;
(B) will not boycott Israel during	g the term of the contract the named Company, business or individual with Brazoria
County Texas, Texas;	
(C) does not boycott energy com	npanies currently;
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Brazoria County, Texas;	
(E) does not boycott a firearm en	ntity of firearm trade association currently; and
(F) will not boycott a firearm en	tity of firearm trade association during the term of the contract the named Company,
business or individual with I	Brazoria County, Texas
DATE	SIGNATURE OF COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE
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# BRAZORIA COUNTY INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements and specifications shall be in addition to the other requirements contained herein and shall supersede the other requirements where applicable.

INSURANCE: Prior to acceptance of contract by Brazoria County, the successful bidder must furnish a Certificate of Insurance together with a receipt showing the time period for which premium has been paid, from an approved insurance carrier for the coverage indicated below.

#### A. THE FOLLOWING COVERAGES ARE REQUIRED:

Aggregate policy

limits

a.

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- 1. Statutory workers compensation in accordance with the State of Texas requirements.
- 2. Comprehensive general liability including owners and contractors protective liability insurance for bodily injury, death, or property damages in the following amounts:

COVERAGE	PER OCCURRENCE
Premises and product liability	\$1,000,000

3. Comprehensive automobile and truck liability insurance (covering owned, hired and non-owned vehicles):

\$1,000,000

COVERAGE

a. Bodily injury \$1,000,000 (including death)

b. Property damage \$1,000,000

Insurance certificates and policy endorsements shall include agreements to <u>hold</u> Commissioners Court of Brazoria County and Brazoria County, Texas harmless; i.e., shall include coverage for "Hold Harmless Agreement".

Failure to maintain insurance coverage as required herein shall be grounds for immediate termination of contract.

All policies must provide, by endorsement to the policy, that thirty (30) days prior written notice of cancellation or material change in coverage be given to the Purchasing Director of Brazoria County. Such insurance when accepted by the County in writing will become acceptable and shall remain unmodified until final acceptance of the work. Coverage provided must be on an occurrence basis.

No policy submitted shall be subject to limitations, conditions, or restrictions deemed inconsistent with the intent of the insurance requirements to be fulfilled by the successful bidder. The decision of Brazoria County thereon is final.

All policies shall be written through a company duly entered and authorized to transact that class of insurance in the State of Texas.

Neither approval by Brazoria County of any insurance supplied by the successful bidder, nor a failure to disapprove that insurance, shall relieve the successful bidder of full responsibility of liability, damages and accidents as set forth herein.

No additional payment shall be made for any insurance that the successful bidder may be required to carry.

## BRAZORIA COUNTY RETURN LABEL

# USE THIS LABEL ONLY IF YOU <u>ARE SUBMITTING A HARD</u> COPY BID

## **SEALED INVITATION TO BID (ITB)**

**ITB#:** 25-40

**OPENING DATE:** THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2025

**OPENING TIME:** 11:00 A.M. LOCAL TIME

ITB DESCRIPTION:

TREATED BRIDGE TIMBERS

**RETURN OFFER TO:** PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

COUNTY PURCHASING DIRECTOR BRAZORIA COUNTY PURCHASING COURTHOUSE WEST ANNEX 451 N. VELASCO STREET, SUITE 100 ANGLETON, TEXAS 77515

DATED MATERIAL – DELIVER IMMEDIATELY

PLEASE CUT OUT AND AFFIX THE ITB LABEL ABOVE TO THE OUTER MOST ENVELOPE OF YOUR RESPONSE TO HELP ENSURE PROPER DELIVERY!

\*\*\*\*\*LATE ITB's CANNOT BE ACCEPTED\*\*\*\*

## BRAZORIA COUNTY ADDENDUM NUMBER 1

#### ITB # 25-40 Treated Bridge Timbers

#### PLEASE INCLUDE THIS SIGNED ADDENDUM WITH YOUR SEALED ITB PACKAGE.

This Addendum modifies the ITB #25-40 package as follows:

- 1. Definitions: All definitions set forth in the Contract shall have the same meaning unless stated otherwise in this Addendum.
- 2. The following questions have been submitted for clarification:
  - 2.1 Vendor Question: "In reviewing the documents for ITB on Bonfire I see the sizes required and the quantities. What I do not see is the Species and Treatments, I am guessing treatment retention levels vary from Pilings to Bridge Timbers."

Brazoria County Answer: Please refer to Texas Department of Transportation 2014 Specifications for Construction of Highways, Streets and Bridges and review item 406 & 492 which states the Timber Preservation and Treatment.

 $\frac{https://ftp.txdot.gov/pub/txdot-info/cmd/cserve/specs/2014/standard/specbook-2014.pdf}{}$ 

3. All other terms and conditions of the ITB are to remain unchanged.

Please refer any questions regarding this ITB to the Brazoria County Purchasing Department at (979) 864-1825 or bidclarifications@brazoriacountytx.gov.

LEGAL NAME OF CONTRACTING COMPANY	
TELEPHONE NUMBER	FACSIMILE NUMBER
SIGNATURE	NAME AND TITLE PRINTED
*Addendum approved by:	03/07/2025
Susan P. Serrano, CPPO, CPPB	Date
County Purchasing Director	

## BRAZORIA COUNTY ADDENDUM NUMBER 2

#### ITB # 25-40 Treated Bridge Timbers

#### PLEASE INCLUDE THIS SIGNED ADDENDUM WITH YOUR SEALED ITB PACKAGE.

This Addendum modifies the ITB #25-40 package as follows:

- 1. Definitions: All definitions set forth in the Contract shall have the same meaning unless stated otherwise in this Addendum.
- 2. The following questions have been submitted for clarification:
  - 2.1 Vendor Question: "In reviewing the document and sections mentioned in Addendum No. 1 can you please clarify what kind of application the timbers are intended to be used for. This information isn't mentioned and isn't provided in the solicitation document and is needed to know what treatments are required."
    - Brazoria County Answer: The pilings will be in freshwater. All other lumber should be treated for ground contact.
  - 2.2 Vendor Question: "Can the engineer on the project validate the grade and species of wood along with the specific treatment required per timber size.
    - Brazoria County Answer: Pine wood and all should be grade 2 ccs treated.
- 3. All other terms and conditions of the ITB are to remain unchanged.

Please refer any questions regarding this ITB to the Brazoria County Purchasing Department at (979) 864-1825 or <a href="mailto:bidclarifications@brazoriacountytx.gov">bidclarifications@brazoriacountytx.gov</a>.

LEGAL NAME OF CONTRACTING COMPANY	
TELEPHONE NUMBER	FACSIMILE NUMBER
SIGNATURE	NAME AND TITLE PRINTED
*Addendum approved by:	03/26/2025
Susan P. Serrano, CPPO, CPPB	Date
County Purchasing Director	

## **CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES**

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	Complete Nos. 1 - 4 and 6 if there are interested parties. Complete Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6 if there are no interested parties.		OFFICE USE ONLY CERTIFICATION OF FILING	
1	Name of business entity filing form, and the city, state and country of the business entity's place of business.		Certificate Number: 2025-1311657	
	AGH2O Holdings, LLC	2023	-1311037	
	ROUND ROCK, TX United States	Date I	Filed:	
2	Name of governmental entity or state agency that is a party to the contract for which the form is	05/19/2025		
	being filed.	Data	6 a lova a vol a dava do	
	Brazoria County Purchasing	Date /	Acknowledged:	5/19/2025
3	Provide the identification number used by the governmental entity or state agency to track or identify description of the services, goods, or other property to be provided under the contract.	the co	ontract, and prov	ride a
	ITB# 25-40 Treated Bridge Timb Bridge Timbers			
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	Name of Interested Party City, State, Country (place of busin	C55)	Controlling	Intermediary
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5	Check only if there is NO Interested Party.			
6	UNSWORN DECLARATION			
	My name is, and my date of	birth is	9/26/0	.3
	My address is 3817 BENT BLOOK DL , ROUND ROCK (street) (city)	itate)	78669 (zip code)	(country)
	I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.			
	Executed in WILLIAMSON County, State of TX , on the 19 day of M47, 20 25			, 20 25.
	(month) (year)			
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	Signature of authorized agent of cor (Declarant)	macun	y pusiness entity	

## **Boycott Verification**

This verification is required pursuant to Sections 808, 809, 2271, and 2274 (87(R) Senate Bill 13 and 19 versions) of the Texas Government Code:

#### Definitions:

- Per Government Code Chapter 808, "Boycott Israel" means refusing to deal with, terminating business activities
  with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial
  relations specifically with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli-controlled
  territory, but does not include an action made for ordinary business purpose
- 2. Per Government Code Chapter 809, "Boycott energy company" means, without an ordinary business purpose, refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations with a company because the company:
  - (A) engages in the exploration, production, utilization, transportation, sale, or manufacturing of fossil fuel-based energy and does not commit or pledge to meet environmental standards beyond applicable federal and state law; or
  - (B) does business with a company described by Paragraph (A).
- 3. Per Government Code Chapter 2274 (87(R) Senate Bill 19), "Discriminate against a firearm entity or firearm trade association":
  - (A) means, with respect to the entity or association, to:
    - (i) refuse to engage in the trade of any goods or services with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association;
    - (ii) refrain from continuing an existing business relationship with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association; or
    - (iii) terminate an existing business relationship with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association;
- 4. "Company" has the meaning assigned by Texas Government Code Sections 808.001(2), 809.001(2), and 2274.001(2) (87(R) Senate Bill 19).

This verification is only required for a contract that is between a governmental entity and a company with 10 or more full-time employees; and has a value of \$100,000 or more that is to be paid wholly or partly from public funds of the governmental entity. If your contract value or number of employees does not reach that threshold, please provide a written certification of the contract amount and number of employees.

I, JAME LESKO	(Person name), the undersigned repre-	sontative of (C
Name) AGHZO HOLDING		
being an adult over the age of eighteen	(18) years of age, do hereby depose and	ematter referred to as Company) verify under oath that the company named-
above,		1 7

- (A) does not boycott Israel currently;
- (B) will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract the named Company, business or individual with Brazoria County Texas, Texas;
- (C) does not boycott energy companies currently;
- (D) will not boycott energy companies during the term of the contract the named Company, business or individual with Brazoria County, Texas;
- (E) does not discriminate against a firearm entity of firearm trade association currently; and
- (F) will not discriminate against a firearm entity of firearm trade association during the term of the contract the named Company, business or individual with Brazoria County, Texas

5/19/2025

SIGNATURE OF COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE