



COBB COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

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Marietta, Georgia 30060
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IMPORTANT NOTICE – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!!

ALL bids **MUST** be received at the Cobb County Purchasing Department.

BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE 12:00 (NOON) ON BID OPENING DAY

Any bid received later than 12:00 (noon) will not be accepted. The County accepts no responsibility for delays in the mail. Bids are to be mailed or delivered to:

COBB COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
122 Waddell Street
MARIETTA, GA 30060

All bids shall be submitted on the Bid Proposal Form. Any revisions made on the outside of the envelope **WILL NOT** be considered.

PLEASE CHECK bid specifications and advertisement for document requirements.

Documents/Forms listed below **MUST** be submitted when required.

Omission of these documents /forms will cause your bid/proposal to be declared **NON-RESPONSIVE**.

- **BID SUBMITTAL FORM**
 - ▶ *Official Signature is required on this form guaranteeing the quotation.*
- **CONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT and AGREEMENT – Exhibit A**
 - ▶ *Affidavit **MUST** be signed, notarized and submitted with any bid requiring the performance of physical services. If the affidavit is not submitted at the time of the bid, bid will be determined non-responsive and will be disqualified.*
- **BID BOND (Not Required)**

If your firm is classified as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) please complete Exhibit B with bid response. A Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) is generally defined as a Female, Black American, Hispanic American and any other minority owned business.

All vendors are required to submit the ORIGINAL AND AT LEAST one (1) duplicated copy of any bid submitted to Cobb County. Please refer to your bid specifications to determine if more than one (1) copy is required. Non-submission of a duplicate copy may disqualify your bid/proposal.

A “SEALED BID LABEL” has been enclosed to affix to your bid. This label **MUST** be affixed to the outside of the envelope or package, even if it is a “NO BID” response. Failure to attach the label may result in your bid being opened in error or not routed to the proper location for consideration. No bid will be accepted after the date and time specified.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Advertisement for Bids

Cobb County will receive Bids before **12:00 NOON, December 8, 2016** in the

**Cobb County Purchasing Department
122 Waddell Street
Marietta, GA 30060**

For furnishing all labor, materials, equipment, appliances, etc. pursuant to the plans, specifications, condition and addenda.

No bids will be accepted after the 12:00 noon deadline

**Sealed Bid # 17 – 6214
Purchase of Two (2)
130 Ton Chillers
Cobb County Property Management Department**

Bids are opened at 2:00 p.m. in the Cobb County Purchasing Department, 122 Waddell Street, Marietta, Georgia 30060.

No bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after date of bid opening, unless otherwise specified in the bid documents. Cobb County will consider the competency and responsibility of bidders in making the award. Cobb County reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities and technicalities, to reject portions of the bids, and to award contracts in a manner consistent with the County and the laws governing the State of Georgia.

The Georgia Security and Immigration Compliance Act Affidavit form must be submitted with all bid packages involving the “performance of physical services” in order to be considered.

This solicitation and any addenda are available for download in PDF format on the Cobb County Purchasing website. www.cobbcounty.org/purchasing.

Advertise: November 11, 18, 25, 2016
December 2, 2016

SEALED BID LABEL

SEALED BID ENCLOSED

DELIVER TO:
Cobb County Purchasing
122 Waddell Street
Marietta, GA 30060

SEALED BID # 17-6214 DATE: December 8, 2016

BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE 12:00 NOON

**DESCRIPTION: Purchase of Two (2)
130 Ton Chillers**

VENDOR: _____

PLEASE ATTACH LABEL TO OUTSIDE OF BID PACKAGE



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"STATEMENT OF NO BID"

COBB COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
122 WADDELL STREET
MARIETTA, GA 30060

TO ALL PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS:

Because of the many requests to be placed on our vendors' list, we are continuously updating the list. While we want to include all bona fide vendors, we do not want to mail bids to those vendors who may no longer be interested in participating in our bidding process.

If you do not choose to respond to the attached Invitation to Bid/Request for Proposal, please fill out the form below indicating whether or not you want to be retained on our current vendor list.

Vendors who do not respond in any way (by either submitting a bid or by returning this form) over a period of one year may be removed from the current vendor list.

Vendors who do not wish to bid often return the entire bid package, sometimes at considerable postage expense. Returning the entire bid package is not necessary. Simply return this form.

Thank you for your cooperation.
Cobb County Purchasing Department

"STATEMENT OF NO BID"
SEALED BID NUMBER 17-6214
Purchase of Two (2)
130 Ton Chillers

Cobb County Property Management Department

If you do not wish to respond to the attached Invitation to Bid/Request for Proposal, please complete this form and mail/fax to: **Cobb County Purchasing Department, Attention: Sealed Bid Department, 122 Waddell Street, Marietta, GA. 30060 -Fax # 770-528-1154**

I do not wish to submit a bid/proposal on this solicitation.

I wish to be retained on the vendor list for this commodity or service: Yes _____ No _____

Please PRINT the following:

_____ Company

_____ Representative

You are invited to list reasons for your decision not to bid: _____



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INVITATION TO BID

Sealed Bid # 17-6214

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130 Ton Chillers
Cobb County Property Management Department**

Bid Opening Date: December 8, 2016

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122 Waddell Street
Marietta, Georgia 30060
Before 12:00 (Noon) By The Bid Opening Date**

**Bids Will Be Opened In the Cobb County Purchasing Department at 2:00 pm
122 Waddell Street
Marietta, GA 30060**

**VENDORS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THE ORIGINAL AND 1 COPY OF BID
(UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED IN BID SPECIFICATIONS)**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

REPRESENTATIVE: _____

PHONE: _____ FAX: _____

E-MAIL _____

NOTE: The Cobb County Purchasing Department will not be responsible for the accuracy or completeness of the content of any Cobb County Invitation to Bid or Request for Proposal or subsequent addenda thereto received from a source other than the Cobb County Purchasing Department.

**INVITATION TO BID
PURCHASE OF TWO 130 TON CHILLERS
COBB COUNTY PROPERTY MANAGEMENT
SEALED BID #17-6214**

INTRODUCTION

Cobb County Property Management (“County”) is soliciting competitive sealed bids from qualified vendors (“Vendor”) for the purchase of two 130 ton chillers for the State Court Building located at 12 East Park Square Marietta, GA 30090 including the furnishing and delivery of all labor, materials & equipment, and all other things necessary pursuant to the specifications and supplemental information contained herein.

Bids shall be received before 12:00 noon on December 8, 2016 at the Cobb County Purchasing Department located at 122 Waddell Street Marietta, Georgia 30060. Late bids will not be accepted.

Vendors are to submit an original and one (1) copy to the Cobb County Purchasing Department.

Written inquiries regarding this Invitation to Bid must be addressed to:

Cobb County Purchasing Department
122 Waddell Street
Marietta, GA 30060
Fax: 770-528-1154
Email: purchasing@cobbcountry.org

A mandatory site visit will be required to bid. Site visits are by appointment only and shall be scheduled through Scott Barfield, Division Manager of Cobb County Property Management, who can be reached at 770-528-2108.

The deadline for questions to be submitted is 5:00 PM on November 29, 2016.

Pricing shall be FOB destination, delivered and unloaded to:

Cobb County State Court
12 East Park Square
Marietta, GA 30090
Attention: Scott Barfield

Delivery hours are 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Cost shall be fixed price. Unit cost is per Chiller. Cost must include all labor, features, freight, offloading, standard warranty and delivery. Pricing submitted shall be net pricing including all government/trade discounts.

An owner's manual and parts & service manual on equipment shall be furnished at no additional charge when available from the manufacturer. The standard equipment warranty shall apply including the manufacturer's warranty on all equipment and accessories.

Equipment must conform to applicable OSHA standards and/or other appropriate laws, regulations, rules and codes of the Federal Government and the State of Georgia.

Such discrepancies as incorrect dimensions, model, material, colors, wrong delivery, etc. will not be accepted by the County. The County shall be the sole determinant of such discrepancies. Should the County, as a result of failure of the contracted vendor to perform in accordance with these specifications, be required to secure additional vendor services, the original contracted vendor shall be liable for any and all additional costs incurred by the County in securing said additional services.

Liquidated damages are not imposed as a penalty but as an estimate of the damages that the County will sustain from incomplete or unsatisfactory work. Late deliveries under this contract shall be penalized five percent (5%) of the amount due to the vendor, for the order, for each day the delivery is late. This amount will be deducted from the amount paid to the vendor.

Products and prices included in the bid may not be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days from the date of the bid opening without the consent of the County.

Federal regulations express a requirement for products which are made in America. Vendors shall indicate for each product line what percentage of the item is made in America.

The County shall be provided with full manufacturer's warranty as a condition of the award. The warranty shall be stated on the bid form for each product specified. The successful bidder must provide the owner with any and all instructions, manuals, and directions for proper cleaning and maintenance of all items.

Failure to provide all the required certifications and documents listed and described in the bidding document may cause the bid to be considered non-responsive.

SPECIFICATIONS

GENERAL: Two (2) New 130 Ton Chillers

PART 1: GENERAL

1.01 SUMMARY

A. Section includes design, performance criteria, refrigerants, controls, and installation requirements for water-cooled scroll compressor packaged chillers. 130 tons, nominal.

1.02 REFERENCES

A. Comply with applicable Standards/Codes of AHRI 550/590-98, ANSI/ASHRAE 15, ASME Section VIII, NEC, and OSHA as adopted by the State. Equipment shall meet efficiency standards of ASHRAE Standard 90.1.

1.03 SUBMITTALS

A. Submit shop drawings and product data in accordance with contract specifications.

B. Submittals shall include the following:

1. Dimensioned plan and elevation view drawings, required clearances, and location of all field connections.
2. Summary of all auxiliary utility requirements such as electricity, water, etc. Summary shall indicate quality and quantity of each required utility.
3. Single line schematic drawing of the field power hookup requirements, indicating all items that are furnished.
4. Schematic diagram of control system indicating points for field connection. Diagram shall fully delineate field and factory wiring.
5. Installation manual.
6. Certification of factory-run test of packaged chiller unit signed by company officer.

1.04 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Qualifications: Equipment manufacturer must specialize in the manufacture of the products specified and have five (5) years' experience with similar equipment and the refrigerant offered.

B. Regulatory Requirements: Comply with the codes and standards specified.

C. Chiller manufacturer must be ISO Registered.

1.05 DELIVERY AND HANDLING

A. Chillers shall be delivered to the job site completely assembled and charged with refrigerant and oil by the manufacturer.

B. Comply with the manufacturer's instructions for rigging and handling equipment.

1.06 WARRANTY

- A. Standard Warranty (Domestic): The refrigeration equipment manufacturer's warranty shall be for a period of one (1) year from the date of equipment start up, but not more than eighteen (18) months from date of shipment. It shall cover replacement parts (labor not included) having proven defective within the above period.
- B. 1st Year Labor Warranty: Entire unit.
- C. Extended Compressor Warranty: 2-5 years.
- D. Extended Unit Warranty: 5 year (alternate)
- E. Refrigerant Warranty: One (1) year R410A refrigerant.

PART 2: PRODUCTS

2.01 ACCEPTABLE MANUFACTURERS

- A. Daikin Applied
- B. Carrier
- C. Trane
- D. York

2.02 UNIT DESCRIPTION

A. Provide factory assembled, factory charged, water-cooled scroll compressor packaged chillers in the quantity specified. Each chiller shall consist of multiple hermetic scroll compressors, multi-circuit brazed plate or shell-and –tube evaporator, shell-and-tube water-cooled condensers, control system and all components necessary for controlled unit operation. Refrigerant shall be R-410A. Each chiller shall be factory run-tested with water to verify full load operation. Operating controls and refrigerant charge shall be verified for proper operation and optimum performance. Units with remote evaporators or condensers shall be tested with a temporary hook-up to a factory evaporator or condenser. Any deviation shall be remedied prior to shipment and the unit retested if necessary to confirm repairs or adjustments.

2.03 DESIGN REQUIREMENTS

- A. General: Provide a complete scroll packaged chiller as specified herein and as shown on the drawings. The unit shall be in accordance with the standards referenced in section 1.02 and any local codes in effect.
- B. Performance: Refer to the schedule of performance on the drawings. Performance shall be in accordance with applicable AHRI Standard.

c. Acoustics: Sound pressure levels for the unit shall not exceed the following specified levels (overall 87 @ 1 meter without insulation). The manufacturer shall provide the necessary sound treatment to meet these levels if required. Sound data shall be provided with the quotation. Test shall be in accordance with AHRI Standard 575.

Octave Band								
63	125	250	500	1000	2000	4000	8000	dBA
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2.04 CHILLER COMPONENTS

A. Compressors: The compressors shall be sealed hermetic scroll type with crankcase oil heater and suction strainer. The compressor motor shall be refrigerant gas cooled, high torque, hermetic induction type, two-pole, with inherent thermal protection on all three phases and shall be mounted on RIS vibration isolator pads.

B. Evaporator:

1. On units 30 tons to 130 tons, the evaporator shall be direct expansion type with stainless steel plates brazed together. It shall be insulated with 3/4 inch (19mm) closed cell polyurethane insulation and have 653 psi (4500 kPa) water side working pressure.

c. Condenser: Horizontal shell and finned tube type with steel shell and integral finned copper tubes rolled into steel tube sheets. The chiller shall be equipped with intermediate tube supports. Construct condenser in accordance with the requirements of ASME Section VIII Unfired Pressure Vessel Code and ANSI B9.1 Safety Code. It shall be designed for 232 psi (1599 kPa) water side working pressure and 450 psig (3104 kPa) refrigerant side pressure and be provided with ASME, ANSI B9.1 pressure relief valves.

D. Refrigerant Circuit: Each refrigerant circuit shall include a liquid line shutoff valve, replaceable core or sealed filter-drier, sight glass with moisture indicator, liquid line solenoid valve, thermal expansion valve, and insulated suction line.

E. Control Panel: The control panel shall contain a microprocessor controller providing operating and equipment protection controls plus motor starting equipment, factory wired, operationally tested, and ready for operation. Standard components shall include a control transformer with primary and secondary fusing, microprocessor transformers with integral fusing, compressor contactors, circuit breakers, single-point wiring arrangement and switches for each circuit pumpdown and unit control power. The control panel shall have a hinged tool-locked door. The control system shall stage the compressors based on the leaving water temperature. Equipment protection devices controlled by the microprocessor include motor protection, high pressure, loss of refrigerant, loss of water flow, freeze protection, and low refrigerant pressure. Controls shall include auto/stop switch, chilled water setpoint adjustment, anti-recycle timer, and digital display with water temperature and setpoint, operating temperatures and pressures, and diagnostic messages.

1. The following features and functions shall be included:

a. The LCD-type display shall have a minimum of 20 characters with all messages in plain English. Coded messages are not acceptable.

- b. Critical parameters shall have their own section of control and shall be password protected.
 - c. Resetting chilled water temperature by a remote 4-20mA DC signal.
 - d. A soft load function to prevent the system from operating at full load during the chilled water pulldown period.
 - e. An electronic time clock to allow programming of a yearly schedule accommodating weekends and holidays.
 - f. Auto restart after a power failure, not requiring external battery backup or auxiliary power for maintaining program memory.
 - g. Shutdowns shall be date and time stamped with system temperatures and pressures recorded. A minimum of six previous occurrences shall be kept in a revolving memory.
 - h. Start-to-start and stop-to-start timers to provide minimum compressor off-time with maximum motor protection.
 - i. Capability of communication with a PC or remote monitoring through a twisted pair RS-232 interface.
 - j. Lead/lag manually or automatically by compressor number of starts.
 - k. Continuous diagnostic checks of unit to provide a pre-alarm signal in advance of a shutdown allowing time for remedial action to be taken.
2. The controller shall contain the following features as a minimum:
 3. Unit Enable Selection - Enables unit operation from local keypad, digital input, or BAS
 4. Unit Mode Selection - Selects standard cooling, ice, glycol, or test operation mode
 5. Analog Inputs - Reset of leaving water temperature, 4-20 mA
 6. Digital Inputs
 - a. Unit off switch
 - b. Remote start/stop
 - c. Flow switch
 - d. Ice mode, converts operation and setpoints for ice production
 - e. Motor protection
 7. Digital Outputs
 - a. Shutdown alarm; field wired, activates on an alarm condition, off when alarm is cleared
 - b. Evaporator pump; field wired, starts pump when unit is set to start
 8. Limit Alarms
 - a. Condenser pressure stage down, unloads unit at high discharge pressures
 - b. Low ambient lockout, shuts off unit at low ambient temperatures
 - c. Low evaporator pressure hold, holds stage #1 until pressure rises
 - d. Low evaporator pressure unload, shuts off one compressor
 9. Shutdown Alarms
 - a. No evaporator water flow
 - b. Low evaporator pressure

- c. High condenser pressure
 - d. Motor protection system
 - e. Phase voltage protection (Optional)
 - f. Outside ambient temperature
 - g. Evaporator freeze protection
 - h. Sensor failures
10. Equipment Protection - The unit shall be protected in two ways: (1) by alarms that shut the unit down and require manual reset to restore unit operation and (2) by limit alarms that reduce unit operation in response to some out-of-limit condition. Shut down alarms shall activate an alarm signal.
- F. Optional Building Automation System (BAS) Interface -
- 1. The unit shall be equipped with an optional factory-installed BAS communication module. Factory mounted DDC controller(s) shall support operation on a BACnet®, Modbus® or LONMARKS ® network via one of the data link / physical layers listed below as specified by the successful Building Automation System (BAS) supplier. The information communicated between the BAS and the factory mounted unit controllers shall include the reading and writing of data to allow unit monitoring, control and alarm notification as specified in the unit sequence of operation and the unit points list.
 - a. BACnet MS/TP master (Clause 9)
 - b. BACnet IP, (Annex J)
 - c. BACnet ISO 8802-3, (Ethernet)
 - d. LONMARKS FTT-10A. The unit controller shall be LONMARKS® certified.
 - e. Modbus
 - 2. For chillers communicating over a LONMARK network, the corresponding LONMARK eXternal Interface File (XIF) shall be provided with the chiller submittal data. All communication from the chiller unit controller as specified in the points list shall be via standard BACnet objects. Proprietary BACnet objects shall not be allowed. BACnet communications shall conform to the BACnet protocol (ANSI/ASHRAE135-2001). A BACnet Protocol Implementation Conformance Statement (PICS) shall be provided along with the unit submittal.
 - 3. Control system must be compatible and coordinated with existing BAS system and manufacturer.

2.05 OPTIONS AND ACCESSORIES

- A. The following options are to be included:
- 1. Hot gas bypass on all circuits.
 - 2. Disconnect switch, single point
 - 3. Plus-One Pass Cooler Configuration
 - 4. Suction Service Valves
 - 5. Chilled water flow switch
 - 6. Control Power Transformer

PART 3: EXECUTION

3.01 START-UP

- A. Ensure proper charge of refrigerant and oil.
- B. Provide testing, and starting of machine, and instruct the Owner in its proper operation and maintenance.

Cobb County General Instructions for Bidders, Terms and Conditions

I. Preparation of Bids

Each bidder shall examine the drawings, specifications, schedule and all instructions. Failure to do so will be at the bidder's risk, as the bidder will be held accountable for their bid response.

Unit price for each quotation shall be shown and such price shall include packing unless otherwise specified, along with a total and grand total where applicable. In case of discrepancy between a unit price and extended price, the unit price will be presumed correct.

Each bidder shall furnish all information required by the bid form or document. Each bidder shall sign the bid and print or type his or her name on the schedule. The person signing the bid must initial erasures or other changes. An authorized agent of the company must sign bids.

Invitations to Bid issued by Cobb County are advertised on the Cobb County Internet site (www.cobbcounty.org/purchasing) and every Friday in the Cobb County legal organ, the Marietta Daily Journal.

II. Delivery

Each bidder should state the time of proposed delivery of goods or services. Words such as "immediate", "as soon as possible", etc. shall not be used. The known earliest date or the minimum number of calendar days required after receipt of order (delivery A.R.O.) shall be stated (if calendar days are used, include Saturday, Sunday and holidays in the number).

III. Explanation to Bidders

Any explanation desired by a bidder regarding the meaning or interpretation of the invitation for bids, drawings, specifications, etc. must be received in writing by **5:00 PM on November 29, 2016** in order for a reply to reach all bidders before the close of the bid. Any information concerning an Invitation to Bid (ITB) will be furnished to all prospective bidders as an addendum if such information is necessary or if the lack of such information would be prejudicial to uninformed bidders.

Submit questions in writing to:
Cobb County Purchasing Department
122 Waddell Street
Marietta, GA 30060
Fax: 770-528-1154
Email: purchasing@cobbcounty.org

The written bid documents supersede any verbal or written communication between parties. Addenda are posted on the Purchasing web site: www.cobbcounty.org/purchasing. Receipt of addenda shall be acknowledged in the bid. It is the bidder's ultimate responsibility to ensure that they have all applicable addenda prior to bid submittal.

IV. Submission of Bids

Bids shall be enclosed in sealed envelopes, addressed to the Cobb County Purchasing Department with the name of the bidder, the date and hour of opening and the invitation to bid number on the face of the envelope. Bids must be received in the Purchasing Department no later than the date and time (determined by the date/time stamp in the department) set forth in the Invitation to Bid. It is the sole responsibility of the bidder to ensure that his or her bid reaches the Purchasing Department. Telegraphic/faxed bids will not be considered. Any addenda should be enclosed in the sealed envelopes as well. **All bids shall be submitted on the Bid Proposal Form. Any revisions made on the outside of the envelope will not be accepted.** The bids will be publicly opened and read at the time and place set forth in the Invitation to Bid.

Samples of items, when required, must be submitted within the time specified and, unless otherwise specified by the County, at no expense to the County. Unless otherwise specified, samples will be returned at the bidder's request and expense if items are not destroyed by testing. Items offered must meet required specifications and must be of a quality, which will adequately serve the use and purpose for which intended.

Full identification of each item bid upon, including brand name, model, catalog number, etc. must be furnished to identify exactly what the bidder is offering. The bidder must certify that items to be furnished are new and that the quality has not deteriorated so as to impair its usefulness.

If no items are bid on, the "Statement of No Bid" must be returned, with the envelope plainly marked "No Bid" including the bid number. Where more than one item is listed, any items not bid upon must be indicated "No Bid".

Unsigned bids will not be considered except in cases where bid is enclosed with other documents, which have been signed. The County will determine this.

Cobb County is exempt from federal excise tax and Georgia sales tax with regards to goods and services purchased directly by Cobb County. Suppliers and contractors are responsible for federal excise tax and sales tax, including any taxes for materials incorporated in county construction projects. Suppliers and contractors should contact the State of Georgia Sales Tax Division for additional information. Tax Exemption Certificates will be furnished upon request.

Information submitted by a bidder in the bidding process shall be subject to disclosure after the public opening in accordance with the Georgia Open Records Act. Each page of proprietary information must be identified. Entire bid may not be deemed proprietary.

V. Withdraw Bid Due To Errors

The bidder shall give notice in writing of his claim of right to withdraw his bid without penalty due to an error within two (2) business days (48 hours) after the conclusion of the bid opening. Bids may be withdrawn from consideration if the price was substantially lower than the other bids due solely to a mistake therein, provided the bid was submitted in good faith,

and the mistake was a clerical mistake as opposed to a judgment mistake, and was actually due to an unintentional arithmetic error or an unintentional omission of a quantity of work, labor or material made directly in the compilation of the bid, which unintentional arithmetic or unintentional omission can be clearly shown by objective evidence drawn from inspection of original work papers, documents and materials used in the preparation of the bid sought to be withdrawn. The bidder's original work papers shall be the sole acceptable evidence of error and mistake if he elects to withdraw his bid. If a bid is withdrawn under the authority of this provision, the lowest remaining responsive bid shall be deemed to be low bid. Bid withdrawal is not automatically granted and will be allowed solely at the discretion of Cobb County.

No bidder who is permitted to withdraw a bid shall, for compensation, supply any material or labor or perform any subcontract or other work agreement for the person or firm to whom the contract is awarded or otherwise benefit, directly or indirectly, from the performance of the project for which the withdrawn bid was submitted.

VI. Testing and Inspection

Since tests may require several days for completion, the County reserves the right to use a portion of any supplies before the results of tests are determined. Cost of inspections and tests of any item, which fails to meet specifications, shall be borne by the bidder.

VII. F.O.B. Point

Unless otherwise stated in the Invitation to Bid and any resulting contract, or unless qualified by the bidder, items shall be shipped F.O.B. Destination. The seller shall retain title for the risk of transportation, including the filing for loss or damages. The invoice covering the items is not payable until items are delivered and the contract of carriage has been completed. Unless the F.O.B. clause states otherwise, the seller assumes transportation and related charges either by payment or allowance.

VIII. Patent Indemnity

The contractor guarantees to hold the County, its agents, officers, or employees harmless from liability of any nature or kind for use of any copyrighted or uncopyrighted composition, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, articles or appliances furnished or used in the performance of contract, for which the contractor is not the patentee, assignee or licensee.

IX. Award

Award will be made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. Conditional bids are not accepted. The quality of articles to be supplied, their conformity with the specifications, their suitability to the requirements of the County, and the delivery terms will be taken into consideration in making the award. The County may make such investigations as it deems necessary to determine the ability of the bidder to perform, and the bidder shall furnish to the County all such information and data for this purpose as the County may request. The County reserves the right to reject any bid if the evidence submitted by, or investigation of such bidder fails to satisfy the County that such bidder is properly qualified to carry out the

obligations of the contract. The County reserves the right to reject or accept any or all bids and to waive technicalities, informalities, and minor irregularities in bids received.

The Bidder does not have the exclusive right to fill all of the County's requirements for the goods or services awarded nor will the County be obligated to purchase the estimated annual quantity or any quantity contained in the bid document.

The County reserves the right to make an award as deemed in its best interest, which may include awarding a bid to a single bidder or multiple bidders; or to award the whole bid, only part of the bid, or none of the bid to single or multiple bidders, based on its sole discretion of its best interest. In case of tie bid, the award will be made as follows:

1. The bid will be awarded to the in-county vendor.
2. The bid will be awarded to the in-state vendor.
3. The bid will be awarded to the vendor with the lesser total dollar volume.

The County reserves the right to award by line item to more than one vendor. The County reserves the right to negotiate a lower price than the bid award price on any line item with the successful vendor, should the quantity required significantly exceed those on the Invitation to Bid. If the County is unable to negotiate an acceptable price, it reserves the right to rebid the item(s) involved. If after the award of the bid there is a decrease in the price of a product from the manufacturer, or a rebate, the successful bidder will pass that price decrease and/or rebate onto the County.

Time payment discounts will be considered in arriving at net prices and in award of bids. Offers of discount for payment within ten (10) days following the end of the month are preferred.

It is the intent of Cobb County Government to award all contracts in a manner that promotes fair, equitable treatment of all contractors and sub-contractors without regard to race, color, creed, national origin, gender, age, or disability.

X. Delivery Failures

Failure of a contractor to deliver within the time specified or within reasonable time as interpreted by the Purchasing Director, or failure to make replacement of rejected articles/services when so requested, immediately or as directed by the Purchasing Director, shall constitute authority for the Purchasing Director to purchase in the open market articles/services of comparable grade to replace the articles/services rejected or not delivered. On all such purchases, the contractor shall reimburse the County within a reasonable time specified by the Purchasing Director for any expense incurred in excess of contract prices, or the County shall have the right to deduct such amount from monies owed the defaulting contractor. Alternatively, the County may penalize the contractor one percent (1%) per day for a period of up to ten (10) days for each day that delivery or replacement is late. Should public necessity demand it, the County reserves the right to use or consume articles delivered which are standard in quality, subject to an adjustment in price to be determined by the Purchasing Director.

XI. County Furnished Property

No material, labor or facilities will be furnished by the County unless so provided in the invitation to bid.

XII. Rejection of Bids

Failure to observe any of the instructions or conditions in this invitation to bid may constitute grounds for rejection of bid.

XIII. Contract

Each bid is received with the understanding that the acceptance in writing by the County of the offer to furnish any or all commodities or services described therein shall constitute a contract between the bidder and the County which shall bind the bidder on his part to furnish and deliver the articles quoted at the prices stated in accordance with the conditions of said accepted bid. The County, on its part, may order from such contractor, except for cause beyond reasonable control, and to pay for, at the agreed prices, all articles specified and delivered. Payment terms are net thirty (30) days after receipt of invoice.

The Price and all unit prices shown shall be deemed to include all costs of Contractor's performance of the Work as set forth in the Bid Documents, including, but not limited to, the costs of labor, supervision, travel, services, materials, equipment, tools, scaffolds, hoisting, transportation, storage, insurance and taxes.

Upon receipt of a bid package, containing a Cobb County "Sample Contract" as part of the requirements, it is understood that the bidder has reviewed the documents with the understanding that Cobb County requires all agreements between the parties must be entered into via this document. If any exceptions are taken to any part, each must be stated in detail and submitted as part of the bid. If no exceptions are stated, it is assumed that the bidder fully agrees to the provisions contained in the "Sample Contract" in its entirety. The County reserves the right to make alterations to Sample Contracts.

XIV. Non-Collusion

By submission of a bid, the vendor certifies, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief:

- (a) The prices in the proposal have been arrived at independently without collusion, consultation, communications, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other vendor or with any competitor.
- (b) Unless otherwise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in the proposal have not been knowingly disclosed by the vendor prior to opening, directly or indirectly, to any other vendor or to any competitor.
- (c) No attempt has been made, or will be made, by the vendor to induce any other person, partnership or corporation to submit or not to submit a proposal for the purpose of restricting competition.

Collusions and fraud in bid preparation shall be reported to the State of Georgia Attorney General and the United States Justice Department.

XV. Conflict of Interest, Etc.

By submission of a bid, the responding firm certifies, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief:

1. No circumstances exist which cause a Conflict of Interest in performing the services required by this ITB, and
2. That no employee of the County, nor any member thereof, not any public agency or official affected by this ITB, has any pecuniary interest in the business of the responding firm or his sub-consultant(s) has any interest that would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance related to this ITB.

By submission of a bid, the vendor certifies under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief:

- (a) The prices in the bid have been arrived at independently without collusion, consultation, communications, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other vendor or with any competitor.
- (b) Unless other wise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in the bid have not knowingly been disclosed by the vendor prior to opening, directly or indirectly, to any other vendor or competitor.
- (c) No attempt has been made, or will be made, by the vendor to induce any other person, partnership or cooperation to submit or not to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition.

For any breach or violation of this provision, the County shall have the right to terminate any related contract or agreement without liability and at its discretion to deduct from the price, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such fee, commission, percentage, gift, payment or consideration.

The successful responding firm shall require each of its sub-consultant(s) to sign a statement certifying to and agreeing to comply with the terms of the Sub-sections above.

XVI. Default

The contract may be cancelled or annulled by the Purchasing Director in whole or in part by written notice of default to the contractor upon non-performance or violation of contract terms. An award may be made to the next low responsive and responsible bidder, or articles specified may be purchased on the open market similar to those so terminated. In either event, the defaulting contractor (or his surety) shall be liable to the County for costs to the County in excess of the defaulted contract prices; provided, however, that the contractor shall continue the performance of this contract to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this clause. Failure of the contractor to deliver materials or services within the time stipulated on his bid, unless extending in writing by the Purchasing Director, shall constitute contract default.

XVII. Disputes

Except as otherwise provided in the contract documents, any dispute concerning a question of fact arising under the contract which is not disposed of shall be decided after a hearing by the Purchasing Director, who shall reduce his/her decision to writing and mail or otherwise furnish a copy thereof to the contractor. The decision of the Purchasing Director shall be final and binding; however, the contractor shall have the right to appeal said decision to a court of competent jurisdiction.

XVIII. Substitutions

Bidders offering and quoting on substitutions or who are deviating from the attached specifications shall list such deviations on a separate sheet to be submitted with their bid. The absence of such a substitution list shall indicate that the bidder has taken no exception to the specifications contained herein.

XIX. Ineligible Bidders

The County may choose not to accept the bid of a bidder who is in default on the payment of taxes, licenses, or other monies due to the County. Failure to respond three (3) consecutive times for any given commodity/service may result in removal from the supplier list under that commodity/service.

XX. Alterations of Documents

Alterations of County documents are strictly prohibited and will result in automatic disqualification of the firm's solicitation response. If there are "exceptions" or comments to any of the solicitation requirements or other language, then the firm may make notes to those areas, but may not materially alter any document language.

XXI. Termination for Convenience

The County, by written notice, may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, when it is in the County's interest. If this contract is terminated, the County shall be liable only for goods or services delivered or accepted. The County Notice of Termination may provide the contractor thirty (30) days prior notice before it becomes effective. However, at the County's sole option a termination of convenience may be effective immediately and may apply to delivery orders (if applicable) or to the contract in whole.

XXII. Inter-Governmental Agreement

Other cities and Authorities located in Cobb County will be allowed to purchase identical items at the same price and upon the same terms and conditions, pursuant to the Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreements entered into between the BOC and Cobb County Governmental entities listed under the Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Program. These entities include the Cobb County Board of Education and Cities of Acworth, Austell, Kennesaw, Smyrna, Marietta, and Powder Springs and the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority and the Cobb-Marietta Coliseum and Exhibit Hall Authority.

XXIII. Indemnification and Hold Harmless

The Contractor covenants and agrees to take and assume all responsibility for the Work rendered in connection with this Agreement. The Contractor shall bear all losses and damages directly or indirectly resulting to it on account of the performance or character of the Work rendered pursuant to this Agreement. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County and the County's elected and appointed officials, officers, boards, commissions, employees, representatives, consultants, servants, agents and volunteers (individually an "Indemnified Party" and collectively the "Indemnified Parties") from and against any and all claims, suits, actions, judgments, injuries, damages, losses, expenses, and liability of any kind whatsoever, including but not limited to attorneys' fees and other legal expenses, ("Liabilities") which may arise from or be the result of willful, negligent or tortious conduct arising out of the Work, performance of contracted services, or operations by Contractor, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Contractor or subcontractor or anyone for whose acts the Contractor or subcontractor may be liable, regardless of whether or not the negligent act or omission is caused in part by a party indemnified hereunder. This indemnity obligation does not include Liabilities caused by or resulting from the sole negligence of an Indemnified Party. Such obligation shall not be construed to negate, abridge or otherwise reduce other rights or obligations of indemnity which would otherwise exist as to the party or person described in this Section 12.

In any and all claims against an Indemnified Party or Indemnified Parties by an employee of the Contractor, its subcontractors, anyone directly or indirectly employed by them or anyone for whose acts they may be liable, the indemnification obligation under this Section 12 shall not be limited by a limitation on amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for the Contractor, or its subcontractors, under workers' or workmen's compensation acts, disability benefit acts or other employee benefit acts.

This obligation to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Indemnified Party and Indemnified Parties shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement provided that the claims are based upon or arise out of acts or omissions that occurred during the performance of this Agreement.

XXIV. Special Terms and Conditions

Should these General Terms and Conditions be in conflict with any attached Special Terms and Conditions, the Special Terms and Conditions will control.

**XXV. Compliance with Georgia Security and Immigration Compliance Act
PROCEDURES & REQUIREMENTS**
(Effective 09-20-2013 - Supersedes All Previous Versions)

BACKGROUND

Pursuant to the “Georgia Security and Immigration Compliance Act,” Cobb County cannot enter into a contract for the physical performance of services unless the contractor registers and participates in the federal work authorization program to verify information of all newly hired employees or subcontractors. Neither may any contractor or subcontractor enter a contract with the county in connection with the physical performance of services unless the contractor and/or subcontractor registers and participates in the federal work authorization program to verify information of all new employees. O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91.

Before any bid for the physical performance of services is considered, the bid must include a signed, notarized affidavit from the contractor attesting to the following: (1) the affiant has registered with and is authorized to use the federal work authorization program; (2) the user ID number and date of authorization for the affiant; and (3) the affiant is using and will continue to use the federal work authorization program throughout the contract period. O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91 (b) (1). Affidavits shall be maintained for five years from the date of receipt. O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91 (b) (1).

Upon contracting with a new subcontractor, a contractor or subcontractor shall, as a condition of the contract or subcontract, provide Cobb County with notice of the identity of any and all subsequent subcontractors hired or contracted by that contractor or subcontractor within five (5) business days of entering into a contract or agreement for hire with any subcontractor. Such notice shall include an affidavit including the subcontractor’s name, address, user ID number, and date of authorization to use the federal work authorization program. O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91 (b) (3).

Based upon the County’s experience and desire for full compliance, no work may be commenced by any subsequent subcontractor prior to notice being received by the County that the subcontractor (regardless of tier) is in compliance with the law and the attached Procedures & Requirements, including the preparation and submission of the Contractor (or Subcontractor) Affidavit & Agreement AND the Immigration Compliance Certificate PRIOR to the commencement of any work.

DEFINITIONS

Affidavit – a written statement made or taken under oath before an officer of the court or a notary public or other person who duly has been authorized so to act.

Affiant – the person who makes and subscribes to a statement made under oath (affidavit).

Physical Performance of Services – any performance of labor or services for a public employer using a bidding process or by contract wherein the labor or services exceed \$2,499.99.

PROCEDURES & REQUIREMENTS

1. Bid Documents: Bid documents should contain information regarding the contract language and contractual requirements described below.
2. Responsive Bid Documents: Responsive bid documents MUST INCLUDE a signed, notarized affidavit from the contractor in the form attached as EXHIBIT A (CONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT & AGREEMENT). **If the affidavit is not submitted at the time of the bid, the applicant will be disqualified.**

This Affidavit Must Be Signed, Notarized And Submitted With Any Bid Requiring The Performance Of Physical Services. If The Affidavit Is Not Submitted At The Time Of The Bid, The Bid Will Be Determined To Be Non-Responsive And Will Be Disqualified.

3. Contract Language & Contractual Requirements: Affirmative language shall be contained in agreements for the performance of services to cover all statutory and County requirements; such language shall require:
 - (a) That affidavits in the form attached to these “Procedures & Requirements” be executed from a contractor (and any subcontractors, regardless of tier) and notarized, showing compliance with the requirements of O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91 and that such be made part of the contract and/or subcontracts;
 - (b) That the contractor (and any subcontractors, regardless of tier) fully comply with the requirements for completing and submitting the “Immigration Compliance Certification” and that such certification be received by the County prior to the commencement of any work under the contract or subcontract;
 - (c) That the contractor (or any subcontractor, regardless of tier) notify the County within five (5) business days of entering into a contract or other agreement for hire with any subcontractor(s), regardless of tier;
 - (d) That the contractor be responsible for obtaining and providing to the County the “Subcontractor Affidavit & Agreement” and “Immigration Compliance Certification” attached to and required under these “Procedures & Requirements” from each subcontractor, regardless of tier, employed or retained for work under the contract prior to the commencement of any work under the contract or any subcontract;
 - (e) That Cobb County, Georgia, reserves the right to dismiss, or require the dismissal of, any contractor or subcontractor for failing to provide the required affidavit or certification and/or for failure to comply with the statutory requirements of O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91 and/or for providing false or misleading information upon the required affidavit(s) or certification(s);
 - (f) That any contractor and/or subcontractor retaining any other subcontractor to perform services under the contract provide legal notice to any subcontractor of the requirements of Cobb County for immigration compliance and further provide notice that Cobb County, Georgia, reserves the right to dismiss, or require the dismissal of, any contractor or subcontractor for failing to provide the required affidavit or certification and/or for failure to comply with the statutory requirements of O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91

and/or for providing false or misleading information upon the required affidavit(s) or certification(s);

(g) That failure to comply with any of the requirements and procedures of the County (i.e., failure to timely supply required affidavits or compliance certification documents; failure to utilize federal work authorization procedures; failure to permit or facilitate audits or reviews of records by County or State officials upon request; and/or failure to continue to meet any of the statutory or County obligations during the life of the contract) shall constitute a material breach of the agreement and shall entitle the County to dismiss any general contractor or to require the dismissal of any subcontractor or sub/subcontractor (irrespective of tier) for failing to fully comply with these requirements;

(h) That upon notice of a material breach of these provisions, the contractor (or subcontractor, regardless of tier) shall be entitled to cure the breach within ten (10) days and provide evidence of such cure. Should the breach not be cured, the County shall be entitled to all available remedies, including termination of the contract, the requirement that a subcontractor be dismissed from performing work under the contract, and any and all damages permissible by law.

4. Immigration Compliance Certification: Prior to commencing work under any contract for the physical performance of services, the contractor shall complete the “IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION” form attached to these “Procedures & Requirements” and submit the same to the County.

Prior to allowing any other subcontractor to perform work under the contract, the contractor shall obtain a completed “IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION” from each subcontractor (regardless of tier) and submit the same to the County.

FORM ATTACHMENTS:

1. CONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT & AGREEMENT (EXHIBIT A);
2. SUBCONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT & AGREEMENT (EXHIBIT A-1);
3. IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION (EXHIBIT A-2).

**CONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT & AGREEMENT
(EXHIBIT A)**

This affidavit must be signed, notarized and submitted with any bid requiring the performance of physical services. If the affidavit is not submitted at the time of the bid, the bid will be determined non-responsive and will be disqualified.

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned contractor verifies compliance with O.C.G.A. §13-10-91, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm or corporation which is contracting with Cobb County, Georgia, has registered with, is authorized to use, and is participating in a federal work authorization program (an electronic verification of work authorization program operated by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security or any equivalent federal work authorization program operated by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to verify information of newly hired employees, pursuant to the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 (IRCA)). The undersigned contractor further attests that it will continue to use the federal Employment Eligibility Verification (EEV) work authorization program throughout the contract period.

The undersigned further agrees that should it employ or contract with any subcontractor(s) or should its subcontractor(s) employ other subcontractor(s) for the physical performance of services pursuant to the contract with Cobb County, Georgia, the contractor or subcontractor will:

- (1) Notify the County within five business days of entering into a contract or agreement for hire with any subcontractor(s);
- (2) Secure from any subcontractor(s) and/or their subcontractor(s) verification of compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91 on the attached Subcontractor Affidavit (EXHIBIT A-1) prior to the commencement of any work under the contract/agreement;
- (3) Secure from any subcontractor(s) and/or their subcontractor(s) a completed Immigration Compliance Certification (EXHIBIT A-2) prior to the commencement of any work under the contract/agreement;
- (4) Provide the subcontractor(s) with legal notice that Cobb County, Georgia, reserves the right to dismiss, or require the dismissal of, any contractor or subcontractor for failing to provide the affidavit and/or for failure to comply with the requirements referenced in the affidavit;
- (5) Maintain records of such compliance and provide a copy of each such verification to Cobb County, Georgia, at the time the subcontractor(s) is retained to perform such services or upon any request from Cobb County, Georgia; and
- (6) Maintain such records for a period of five (5) years.

EEV (E-Verify) Program User ID Number

EEV Program Date of Authorization

BY: Authorized Officer or Agent
[Contractor Name]

Contractor Business Name

Printed Name

Date

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME
ON THIS THE ____ DAY OF _____, 201_

Notary Public Commission Expires: _____

Effective 09-20-2013

**SUBCONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT & AGREEMENT
(EXHIBIT A-1)**

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned subcontractor verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm or corporation which is engaged in the physical performance of services on behalf of Cobb County, Georgia, has registered with, is authorized to use, and is participating in a federal work authorization program (an electronic verification of work authorization program operated by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security or any equivalent federal work authorization program operated by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to verify information of newly hired employees, pursuant to the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 (IRCA)). The undersigned contractor further attests that it will continue to use the federal Employment Eligibility Verification (EEV) work authorization program throughout the contract period.

The undersigned further agrees that should it employ or contract with any subcontractor(s) or should its subcontractor(s) employ other subcontractor(s) for the physical performance of services pursuant to the contract with Cobb County, Georgia, the undersigned subcontractor will:

- (1) Notify the County within five business days of entering into a contract or agreement for hire with any subcontractor(s);
- (2) Secure from any subcontractor(s) and/or their subcontractor(s) verification of compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91 on this Subcontractor Affidavit form (EXHIBIT A-1) prior to the commencement of any work under the contract/agreement;
- (3) Secure from any subcontractor(s) and/or their subcontractor(s) a completed Immigration Compliance Certification (EXHIBIT A-2) prior to the commencement of any work under the contract/agreement;
- (4) Provide the subcontractor(s) with legal notice that Cobb County, Georgia, reserves the right to dismiss, or require the dismissal of, any contractor or subcontractor for failing to provide the affidavit and/or for failure to comply with the requirements referenced in the affidavit;
- (5) Maintain records of such compliance and provide a copy of each such verification to Cobb County, Georgia, at the time the subcontractor(s) is retained to perform such services or upon any request from Cobb County, Georgia; and
- (6) Maintain such records for a period of five (5) years.

EEV (E-Verify) Program User ID Number

EEV Program Date of Authorization

BY: Authorized Officer or Agent
[Subcontractor Name]

Subcontractor Business Name

Printed Name

Date

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME
ON THIS THE ____ DAY OF _____, 201_

Notary Public Commission Expires: _____

Effective 09-20-2013

IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION
(Required to be completed by Contractors and all Subcontractors)
(EXHIBIT A-2)

I certify to the Cobb County Board of Commissioners that the following employees will be assigned to:

<i>(Project Name/Description)</i>		
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

I further certify to Cobb County, Georgia the following:

- The E-Verify program was used to verify the employment eligibility of each of the above-listed employees hired after the effective date of our contract to use the program;
- We have not received a Final Nonconfirmation response from E-Verify for any of the employees listed.
- If we receive a Final Nonconfirmation response from E-Verify for any of the employees listed above, we will immediately terminate that employee's involvement with the project.
- I have confirmed that we have an I-9 on file for every employee listed above and that to the best of my knowledge all the I-9s are accurate.
- To the best of my knowledge and belief, all of the employees on the above list are legally authorized to work in the United States.
- If any other employee is assigned to this Cobb County project, a certification will be provided for said employee prior to the employee commencing work on the project.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the above certification is true, accurate and complete.

Sworn to by:

Employer Name & Address:

Signature of Officer

Printed Name/Title

Date

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME
ON THIS THE ____ DAY OF _____, 201_

Notary Public
Commission Expires: _____

Effective 09-20-2013

XXVI. Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE): The following provisions should be carefully read to determine applicability to your business.

Cobb County Government encourages the participation of all businesses in offering their services and/or products. The Cobb County Government has the goal to fairly and competitively procure the best product at the most reasonable cost.

A Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) is generally defined as a Female, Black American, Hispanic American and any other minority owned business. The Federal Government has long had program in place to ensure participation of DBE vendors and suppliers. The State of Georgia has established a similar program whereby DBE firms are defined, certified and made known. This effort is managed by the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT). More information can be obtained from GDOT web site:

1. <http://www.dot.state.ga.us/eeo-div/index.shtml>

The Cobb County Government addresses DBE business participation (frequency and dollar value) in the following ways:

1. Cobb County wishes to identify all DBE participation; both at the contractor and sub-contractor levels in the following ways.
 - a. DBE businesses are requested to identify such status at the time they register as a vendor.
 - b. DBE businesses are requested to identify themselves at the time they propose to do business. Please complete **EXHIBIT B** if applicable and return with bid submittal.
 - c. All businesses will receive with each Purchase Order an instruction sheet for use of the furnished *Cobb County Government DBE Participation Report*, **EXHIBIT C**. Businesses are requested to complete this report and submit it with each invoice for the time period billed.
2. Cobb County has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Plan in accordance with the regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation (U. S. Department of Transportation (USDOT), 49 CFR Part 26.) The Cobb County Department of Transportation is the lead agency for implementing the USDOT DBE Program for the County.

The Plan applies only to projects which are clearly indicated by the County.

EXHIBIT B

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) IDENTIFICATION FORM

A Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) is generally defined as a Female, Black American, Hispanic American and any other minority owned business. If your firm is classified as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE), please complete this form and submit with bid response or send to:

Cobb County Purchasing Department
Attn: Purchasing Director
122 Waddell Street
Marietta, GA 30060
Fax: 770-528-1154
Email: purchasing@cobbcounty.org

Name of Business: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

Certification Number: _____

Name of Organization Certification _____

This information is acquired for informational purposes only and will have no bearing on the award unless otherwise stated

Instructions for Completing Exhibit C
Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)
Participation Report

All Cobb County Government contractors or vendors are requested to complete a report descriptive of any DBE subcontractor involvement in work for which the government is making payment. If otherwise specified in an RFP/ITB or contract, additional reporting forms may be required as well.

The objective of this request is to assist in the identification of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) business participation with the Cobb County Government and to quantify that participation.

The Cobb County Government does not administer a DBE Certification Program. The principle certification agency for the State of Georgia is the Georgia Department of Transportation. As a Contractor/Vendor you are not responsible for verification of any DBE Certification information of your subcontractor.

***** Instructions *****

1. Contractor/Vendor is furnished the one-page *DBE Monthly Participation Report* with each Cobb County Government-issued Purchase Order.
2. Contractor/Vendor completes this report for each billing period and attaches it to the invoice to then be sent to the County department/agency receiving the service or product.
3. Upon receipt of a Contractor/Vendor invoice and DBE report, the County department/agency receiving the service or product should keep a copy of the completed DBE report for their reporting process. In order to add or verify the prime contractor is registered as a DBE vendor in AMS, the County department/agency should send a copy of the DBE report to:

Cobb County Purchasing Division
Attn.: DBE Report

A Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) is a firm that is under the control of someone in an ownership position (at least 51%) that:

1. Has membership in one or more of the following groups: Female, Black American, Hispanic American, Native American, Subcontinent Asian American and Asian-Pacific America. There may be other groups that may be eligible to be certified as DBE.
2. Is a U.S. citizen or lawfully admitted permanent resident of the U.S.
3. Has a personal net worth which does not exceed \$750,000.
4. The business meets the Small Business Administration's size standard for a small business. Its annual gross receipts for the three previous fiscal years cannot have exceeded \$22,410,000. Depending on the type of work the business performs, other size standards may apply.
5. The business is organized as a for-profit business.
6. The business may also be DBE eligible as a certified U.S. Small Business Administration 8 (a) program.

Exhibit C
Cobb County Government Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Participation
Monthly Report

Contractor/Vendor: Please keep this blank report to make copies as needed. Print or type in the report, then send the completed report to the County department/agency receiving the service or product.

County Departments: Keep a copy of this completed report and use the dollar figures to input into your quarterly DBE report to the DBE Liaison (Records Management Division). If you already have a similar reporting method of gathering the dollar figures continue to use it. Send a copy of this completed report to the Purchasing Division (Attn: DBE Report) to add or verify the prime contractor is registered as a DBE vendor.

Submitted by: _____ Month Invoiced: _____
Name of Prime Contractor/Vendor **From/To:**

Cobb County Project Name: _____ Bid or P.O. Number: _____

Cobb County Department or Agency receiving service or product: _____

Description of Purchased Service/Product: _____

Full Contracted Amount: \$_____ Payment amount requested at this time: \$_____

1. Are YOU, the Prime Contractor a DBE business? YES _____ NO _____
2. Are YOUR subcontractors DBE vendors? YES _____ NO _____

Please provide information below for each participating DBE subcontractor(s).

DBE Subcontractor Business Name	Type Service or Product Supplied	DBE Subcontractor Business/Contact Tel. Number	Actual Dollar Value of DBE Subcontractor Participation this Reporting Month
			\$
			\$
			\$
			\$
			\$

Submitted by: _____
Printed Name
Signature of Authorized Representative

Title or position: _____

Date Completed: _____

**BID FORM
PURCHASE OF TWO 130 TON CHILLERS
COBB COUNTY PROPERTY MANAGEMENT
SEALED BID #17-6214**

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT COST	EXTENDED COST
1	130 Ton Chiller (Scroll)	2		

Point of Delivery: Cobb County State Court
 12 East Park Square
 Marietta, GA 30090
 Attention: Scott Barfield

Delivery Time: _____calendar days ARO

Company Name: _____