

	District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties Invitation For Bid	Solicitation #	2026-044
		Date Issued	June 2, 2026
		Procurement Official	Melissa Kauffman
		Phone	(803) 476-8136
		E-Mail Address	D5bids@lexrich5.org

DESCRIPTION	District Wide Inspection, Maintenance, and Repair of Fire Extinguishers, Kitchen Hood Fire Suppression Systems, Sprinkler Fire Suppression Systems, and Backflow Preventer Assemblies
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The Term "Offer" Means Your "Bid" or "Proposal"

SUBMIT OFFER BY	June 16, 2026 @ 11:00 am
QUESTIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY	June 9, 2026 @ 12:00 pm Electronically to D5bids@lexrich5.org
NUMBER OF COPIES TO BE SUBMITTED	One (1)

Offers must be submitted in a sealed package. Solicitation number & Opening Date must appear on package exterior.

SUBMIT YOUR SEALED OFFER TO:

District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties Purchasing Office 1020 Dutch Fork Road Irmo, SC 29063

CONFERENCE TYPE: N/A DATE & TIME: As appropriate, see "Conferences - Pre-Bid/Proposal" & "Site Visit" provisions	LOCATION: N/A
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AWARD & AMENDMENTS	The award, this solicitation, and any amendments will be posted at the following web address: https://www.lexrich5.org/departments/office-of-finance/procurement/solicitations-and-awards
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You **must** submit a signed copy of this form with Your Offer. By submitting a bid or proposal, You agree to be bound by the terms of the Solicitation. You agree to hold Your Offer open for a minimum of sixty (60) calendar days after the Opening Date.

NAME OF OFFEROR (Full legal name of business submitting the offer)	OFFEROR'S TYPE OF ENTITY: (Check one) ☐ Sole Proprietorship ☐ Partnership ☐ Corporation (tax-exempt) ☐ Corporate entity (not tax-exempt) ☐ Government entity (federal, state, or local) ☐ Other _____ (See "Signing Your Offer" provision.)
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE (Person signing must be authorized to submit a binding offer to enter into a contract on behalf of Offeror named above.)	
TITLE (Business title of person signing above)	
PRINTED NAME (Printed name of person signing above) DATE SIGNED	

Instructions regarding Offeror's name: Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the Offeror above. The entity named as the Offeror **must** be a single and distinct legal entity. Do not use the name of a branch office or a division of a larger entity if the branch or division is not a separate legal entity, *i.e.*, a separate corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, etc.

STATE OF INCORPORATION (If Offeror is a corporation, identify the state of Incorporation.)	TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NO.
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HOME OFFICE ADDRESS (Address for Offeror's home office / principal place of business)	NOTICE ADDRESS (Address to which all procurement and contract related notices should be sent.) (See "Notice" clause)						
	Area Code - Number - Extension Facsimile						
	E-Mail Address						
PAYMENT ADDRESS (Address to which payments will be sent.) (See "Payment" clause)	ORDER ADDRESS (Address to which purchase orders will be sent) (See "Purchase Orders" and "Contract Documents" clauses)						
	Order E-Mail Address:						
☐ Payment Address same as Home Office Address ☐ Payment Address same as Notice Address (check only one)	☐ Order Address same as Home Office Address ☐ Order Address same as Notice Address (check only one)						
ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENTS: Offerors acknowledge receipt of amendments by indicating amendment number and its date of issue. (See "Amendments to Solicitation" Provision)							
Amend ment No.	Amendment Issue Date	Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date	Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date	Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date
DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT (See "Discount for Prompt Payment" clause)	10 Calendar Days (%) _____	20 Calendar Days (%) _____	30 Calendar Days (%) _____	_____ Calendar Days (%)			
PREFERENCES - A NOTICE TO VENDORS (SEP. 2009): On June 16, 2009, the South Carolina General Assembly rewrote the law governing preferences available to in-state vendors, vendors using in-state subContractors, and vendors selling in-state or US end products. This law appears in Section 11-35-1524 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. A summary of the new preferences is available at www.procurement.sc.gov/preferences . ALL THE PREFERENCES MUST BE CLAIMED AND ARE APPLIED BY LINE ITEM, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER AWARD IS MADE BY ITEM OR LOT. VENDORS ARE CAUTIONED TO CAREFULLY REVIEW THE STATUTE BEFORE CLAIMING ANY PREFERENCES. THE REQUIREMENTS TO QUALIFY HAVE CHANGED. IF YOU REQUEST A PREFERENCE, YOU ARE CERTIFYING THAT YOUR OFFER QUALIFIES FOR THE PREFERENCE YOU'VE CLAIMED. IMPROPERLY REQUESTING A PREFERENCE CAN HAVE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES. [11-35-1524(E)(4)&(6)]							
PREFERENCES - ADDRESS AND PHONE OF IN-STATE OFFICE: Please provide the address and phone number for your in-state office in the space provided below. An in-state office is necessary to claim either the Resident Vendor Preference (11-35-1524(C)(1)(i)&(ii)) or the Resident Contractor Preference (11-35-1524(C)(1)(iii)). Accordingly, you must provide this information to qualify for the preference. An in-state office is not required, but can be beneficial, if you are claiming the Resident SubContractor Preference (11-35-1524(D)).							
☐ In-State Office Address same as Home Office Address ☐ In-State Office Address same as Notice Address (check only one)							

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I. SCOPE OF SOLICITATION

It is the intent of School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties to seek competitive sealed bids from qualified contractors to perform annual testing, inspection, maintenance, and repair of fire extinguishers, sprinkler fire suppression systems, and backflow preventer assemblies, as well as semi-annual (twice per year) testing, inspection, maintenance and repair of kitchen hood fire suppression system, throughout the District.

ACQUIRE SERVICES: The purpose of this solicitation is to acquire services complying with the enclosed description and/or specifications and conditions.

MAXIMUM CONTRACT PERIOD (ESTIMATED): Start: July 1, 2026 End: June 30, 2031. Dates are estimates only. Any resulting contract will begin on the date specified in the notice of award. See clause entitled “Term of Contract – Effective Date/Initial Contract Period.”

GENERAL INFORMATION:

School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties encompasses an area of approximately 196 square miles, approximately one-half of which is situated in both Lexington and Richland Counties. The School District consists of the northern portion of Lexington County north of Lake Murray and the Saluda River and the northwestern portion of Richland County south of the Broad River. The School District is primarily a residential suburb located to the northwest of the city of Columbia, the capital city of South Carolina. The District has a student population of approximately 17,505 and 2,600 staff members. The District currently operates a total of 13 elementary schools, 2 intermediate schools, 3 middle schools, 4 high schools, 1 Center for Advanced Technical Studies and 1 alternative school. Additional basic information about the District is posted on the District’s website: www.lexrich5.org.

II. INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS – A. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

DEFINITIONS, CAPITALIZATION, AND HEADINGS: CLAUSE HEADINGS USED IN THIS SOLICITATION ARE FOR CONVENIENCE ONLY AND SHALL NOT BE USED TO CONSTRUE MEANING OR INTENT. EVEN IF NOT CAPITALIZED, THE FOLLOWING DEFINITIONS ARE APPLICABLE TO ALL PARTS OF THE SOLICITATION, UNLESS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED OTHERWISE.

AMENDMENT means a document issued to supplement the original solicitation document.

BOARD means the Board of Trustees of District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties.

BUSINESS means any corporation, partnership, individual, sole proprietorship, joint stock company, joint venture, or any other legal entity.

CHANGE ORDER means any written alteration in specifications, delivery point, rate of delivery, period of performance, price, quantity, or other provisions of any contract accomplished by mutual agreement of the parties to the contract.

CONTRACT means all types of District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties' agreements, regardless of what they may be called, for the procurement or disposal of supplies, services, equipment or construction.

CONTRACT MODIFICATION means a written order signed by the Procurement Officer, directing the Contractor to make changes which the clause of the contract TITLED "Changes, "if included herein, authorizes the Procurement Coordinator to order without the consent of the Contractor.

CONTRACTOR means the Offeror receiving an award as a result of this solicitation.

COVER PAGE means the top page of the original solicitation on which the solicitation is identified by number. Offerors are cautioned that Amendments may modify information provided on the Cover Page.

OFFER means the bid, quote or proposal submitted in response to this solicitation. The terms Bid and Proposal are used interchangeably with the term Offer.

OFFEROR means the single legal entity submitting the offer. The term Bidder is used interchangeably with the term Offeror. See bidding provisions entitled Signing Your Offer and Bid/Proposal As Offer To Contract.

PAGE TWO means the second page of the original solicitation, which is labeled Page Two.

PROCUREMENT OFFICER means the person, or his successor, identified as such on either the cover page, an amendment, or an award notice.

YOU and YOUR means Offeror.

SOLICITATION means this document, including all its parts, attachments, and any Amendments.

SUBCONTRACTOR means any person you contract with to perform or provide any part of the work.

WORK means all labor, materials, equipment, services, or property of any type, provided or to be provided by the Contractor to fulfill the Contractor's obligations under the Contract.

AMENDMENTS TO SOLICITATION: (a) The Solicitation may be amended at any time prior to opening. All actual and prospective Offerors should monitor the following web site for the issuance of Amendments: <https://www.lexrich5.org/departments/office-of-finance/procurement/solicitations-and-awards> (b) Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation (1) by signing and returning the amendment, (2) by identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose on Page Two, (3) by letter, or (4) by submitting a bid that indicates in some way that the bidder received the amendment. (c) If this solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions which are not modified remain unchanged.

AUTHORIZED AGENT: All authority regarding this procurement is vested solely with the responsible Procurement Officer. Unless specifically delegated in writing, the Procurement Officer is the only government official authorized to bind the government with regard to this procurement or the resulting contract.

AWARD NOTIFICATION: Notice regarding any award, cancellation of award, or extension of award will be posted at the location specified on the Cover Page, or if applicable, the most recent notice of extension of award. Should the contract resulting from this Solicitation have a total or potential value more than one hundred thousand dollars, such notice will be sent electronically to all Offerors responding to the Solicitation. Unless a written notice of intent to protest is timely filed pursuant to Section 11-35-4210(1)(b) or the award is otherwise suspended or canceled, the award will be effective on the calendar day (including weekends and holidays) immediately following the seventh business day after such notice is given. When only one response is received, the notice of intended award and the seven-day delay of award may be waived.

BID/PROPOSAL AS OFFER TO CONTRACT: By submitting Your Bid or Proposal, You are offering to enter into a contract with District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties. Without further action by either party, a binding contract shall result upon final award. Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the Offeror on the Cover Page. An Offer may be submitted by only one legal entity; "joint bids" are not allowed.

BID ACCEPTANCE PERIOD: In order to withdraw Your Offer after the minimum period specified on the Cover

Page, You must notify the Procurement Officer in writing.

BID IN ENGLISH AND DOLLARS: Offers submitted in response to this solicitation shall be in the English language and in US dollars, unless otherwise permitted by the Solicitation.

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION: GIVING FALSE, MISLEADING, OR INCOMPLETE INFORMATION ON THIS CERTIFICATION MAY RENDER YOU SUBJECT TO PROSECUTION UNDER SECTION 16-9-10 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS.

- (a) By submitting an offer, the Offeror certifies that:
 - (1) The prices in this offer have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other Offeror or competitor relating to:
 - (i) Those prices;
 - (ii) The intention to submit an offer; or
 - (iii) The methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered.
 - (2) The prices in this offer have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the Offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other Offeror or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a negotiated solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and
 - (3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the Offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit an offer for the purpose of restricting competition.
- (b) Each signature on the offer is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory:
 - (1) Is the person in the Offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification; or
 - (2)(i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the Offeror's principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification [As used in this subdivision (b)(2)(i), the term "principals" means the person(s) in the Offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal].
 - (ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals referenced in subdivision (b)(2)(i) of this certification have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification; and
 - (iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification.
- (c) If the Offeror deletes or modifies paragraph (a)(2) of this certification, the Offeror must furnish with its offer a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS:

- (a) (1) By submitting an Offer, Offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that-
 - (i) Offeror and/or any of its Principals
 - (A) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any state or federal agency;
 - (B) Have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, state, or local) contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and
 - (C) Are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity with, commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(B) of this provision.
 - (ii) Offeror has not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, had one or more contracts terminated for default by any public (Federal, state, or local) entity.
- (2) "Principals," for the purposes of this certification, means officers; directors; owners; partners; and, persons having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g., general manager; plant manager; head of a subsidiary, division, or business segment, and similar positions).
- (b) Offeror shall provide immediate written notice to the Procurement Officer if, at any time prior to contract award,

Offeror learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

(c) If Offeror is unable to certify the representations stated in paragraphs (a)(1), Offer must submit a written explanation regarding its inability to make the certification. The certification will be considered in connection with a review of the Offeror's responsibility. Failure of the Offeror to furnish additional information as requested by the Procurement Officer may render the Offeror non-responsible.

(d) Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render, in good faith, the certification required by paragraph (a) of this provision. The knowledge and information of an Offeror is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

(e) The certification in paragraph (a) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the Offeror knowingly or in bad faith rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the District, the Procurement Officer may terminate the contract resulting from this solicitation for default.

CODE OF LAWS AVAILABLE: The District's Procurement Code is available at: www.lexrich5.org.

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST OR UNFAIR COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE:

(OCI FAQ for Contractors" is available at www.procurement.sc.gov)

(a) You certify that, after reasonable inquiry, to the best of your knowledge and belief: (1) your offer identifies any services that relate to either this solicitation or the work that has already been performed by you, a proposed subcontractor, or an affiliated business or consultant of either; and (2) there are no relevant facts or circumstances that may give rise to an actual or potential organizational conflict of interest, as defined in S.C. Code Ann. Reg. 19-445-2127, or that your offer identifies and explains any unfair competitive advantage you may have in competing for the proposed contract and any actual or potential conflicts of interest that may arise from your participation in this competition or your receipt of an award.

(b) If you, a proposed subcontractor, or an affiliated business or consultant of either, have an unfair competitive advantage or an actual or potential conflict of interest, the District may withhold award. Before withholding award on these grounds, the District will notify you of the concerns and provide a reasonable opportunity for you to respond. The District may consider efforts to avoid or mitigate such concerns, including restrictions on future activities.

(c) The certification in paragraph (a) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which the District will rely when considering your offer for award.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF OFFER: Any offer received after the Procurement Officer of the District or their designee has declared that the time set for opening has arrived, shall be rejected unless the offer has been delivered to the designated District office or mailroom as instructed on the Cover page prior to the bid opening.

DISTRICT OFFICE CLOSINGS: If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal processes so that offers cannot be received at the District as designated for receipt of bids by the exact time specified in the solicitation, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal district processes resume. In lieu of an automatic extension, an Amendment may be issued to reschedule the bid opening. If district offices are closed at the time a pre-bid or pre-proposal conference is scheduled, an Amendment will be issued to reschedule the conference. Useful information may be available at: <http://www.lexrich5.org>

DRUG FREE WORK PLACE CERTIFICATION: By submitting an Offer, Contractor certifies that, if awarded a contract, Contractor will comply with all applicable provisions of The Drug-free Workplace Act, Title 44, Chapter 107 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended.

DUTY TO INQUIRE: Offeror, by submitting an Offer, represents that it has read and understands the Solicitation and that its Offer is made in compliance with the Solicitation. Offerors are expected to examine the Solicitation thoroughly and should request an explanation of any ambiguities, discrepancies, errors, omissions, or conflicting statements in the Solicitation. Failure to do so will be at the Offeror's risk. All ambiguities, discrepancies, errors, omissions, or conflicting statements in the Solicitation shall be interpreted to require the better quality or greater

quantity of work and/or materials, unless otherwise directed by amendment. Offeror assumes responsibility for any patent ambiguity in the Solicitation that Offeror does not bring to the District's attention. See clause entitled "Questions from Offerors."

ETHICS CERTIFICATE: By submitting an offer, the offeror certifies that the offeror has and will comply with, and has not, and will not, induce a person to violate Title 8, Chapter 13 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended (ethics act). The following statutes require special attention: Section 8-13-700, regarding use of official position for financial gain; Section 8-13-705, regarding gifts to influence action of public official; Section 8-13-720, regarding offering money for advice or assistance of public official; Sections 8-13-755 and 8-13-760, regarding restrictions on employment by former public official; Section 8-13-775, prohibiting public official with economic interests from acting on contracts; Section 8-13-790, regarding recovery of kickbacks; Section 8-13-1150, regarding statements to be filed by consultants; and Section 8-13-1342, regarding restrictions on contributions by Contractor to candidate who participated in awarding of contract. The district may rescind any contract and recover all amounts expended as a result of any action taken in violation of this provision. If Contractor participates, directly or indirectly, in the evaluation or award of public contracts, including without limitation, change orders or task orders regarding a public contract, Contractor shall, if required by law to file such a statement, provide the statement required by Section 8-13-1150 to the procurement officer at the same time the law requires the statement to be filed.

MULTIPLE OFFERS: Offerors may submit more than one Offer, provided that each Offer has significant differences other than price. Each separate Offer must satisfy all Solicitation requirements. If this solicitation is an Invitation for Bids, each separate offer must be submitted or uploaded as a separate document and must clearly indicate that it is a separate offer. If this solicitation is a Request for Proposals, multiple offers may be submitted or uploaded as one document, provided that you clearly differentiate between each offer and you submit a separate cost proposal for each offer, if applicable.

OMIT TAXES FROM PRICE: Do not include any sales or use taxes in your price that the District may be required to pay.

OPEN TRADE REPRESENTATION: By submitting an Offer, Offeror represents that Offeror is not currently engaged in the boycott of a person or an entity based in or doing business with a jurisdiction with whom South Carolina can enjoy open trade, as defined in SC Code Section 11-35-5300.

PRICING: (a) Fixed Price. If a fixed price is required, award will not be made on an Offer if the total possible price to the District cannot be determined. (b) Price Reasonableness: Any offer may be rejected if the Procurement Officer determines in writing that it is unreasonable as to price. S.C. Code Ann. Reg 19-445.2070E. (c) Unbalanced Pricing. The District will analyze all offers with separately priced line items or subline items to determine if the prices are unbalanced. Unbalanced pricing exists when, despite an acceptable total evaluated price, the price of one or more line items is significantly over or understated. The responsible procurement officer may reject an offer as unreasonably priced if she determines that unbalanced pricing increases performance risk (e.g., it is so unbalanced as to be tantamount to allowing an advanced payment) or could result in payment of unreasonably high prices. S.C. Code Ann. Reg. 19-445-2122C.

PROHIBITED COMMUNICATIONS AND DONATIONS: Violation of these restrictions may result in disqualification of your offer, suspension or debarment, and may constitute a violation of law.

(a) During the period between publication of the solicitation and final award, you must not communicate, directly or indirectly, with the District or its employees, agents or officials regarding any aspect of this procurement activity, unless otherwise approved in writing by the Procurement Officer.

(b) You are advised to familiarize yourself with Regulation 19-445.2165, which restricts donation to a governmental entity with whom you have or seek to have a contract. You represent that your offer discloses any gifts made, directly or through an intermediary, by you or your named subcontractors to or for the benefit of the District during the period beginning eighteen months prior to the Opening Date.

PROTESTS: If you are aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or award of the contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in Section 11-35-4210. To protest the solicitation or an amendment, your written protest must be received within fifteen Days of the date of the applicable solicitation document is issued. To protest

an award, (i) written notice of your intent to protest must be received within seven Business Days of the date the award notice is posted and (ii) your actual written protest must be received within fifteen Days of the date the award notice is posted. Time periods are computed in accordance with Section 11-35-310(13) and the definitions of Day and Business Day. Both protests and notices of intent to protest must be received by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer (CPO). Coordinator of Procurement. (b) Pursuant to Section 11-35-410, documents directly connected to a procurement activity may be available within five days after request. All document requests should be directed to D5bids@lexrich5.org. If a protest is pending, the protestant's lawyer may access otherwise unavailable information by applying to the CPO for the issuance of a protective order.

Any protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Office and submitted in writing

(a) by email to D5bids@lexrich5.org, or

(B) School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties, 1020 Dutch Fork Road, Irmo, SC 29063

Lauren Bové, CPPO, CPPB, Coordinator of Procurement
School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties
1020 Dutch Fork Road
Irmo, SC 29063
Fax: 803-476-8140
E-Mail: lbove@lexrich5.org

PUBLIC OPENING: Offers will be publicly opened at the date/time and at the location identified on the Cover Page, or last Amendment, whichever is applicable.

QUESTIONS FROM OFFERORS:

(a) Any prospective Offeror desiring an explanation or interpretation of the solicitation, drawings, specifications, etc., must request it in writing. Questions regarding the original solicitation or any amendment must be received by the Procurement Officer no later than five (5) days prior to opening unless an earlier date is stated on the Cover Page. Label any communication regarding your questions with the name of the procurement officer, and the solicitation's title and number. Oral explanations or instructions will not be binding. Any information given a prospective Offeror concerning a solicitation will be furnished promptly to all other prospective Offerors as an Amendment to the solicitation, if that information is necessary for submitting offers or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to other prospective Offerors. We will not identify you in our answer to your question. (b) The District seeks to permit maximum practicable competition. Offerors are urged to advise the Procurement Officer – as soon as possible – regarding any aspect of this procurement, including any aspect of the Solicitation, that unnecessarily or inappropriately limits full and open competition.

Email is the preferred method for submitting with “Questions: Solicitation # as the subject of the email.” Questions must be submitted in an easily copied format such as Word.

Email: D5bids@lexrich5.org

Questions may also be submitted to the address listed on the Cover Page of this document or faxed to (803) 476-8138.

REJECTION/CANCELLATION: The District may cancel this solicitation in whole or in part. The District may reject any or all proposals in whole or in part.

RESPONSIVENESS: (a) Award will not be made on a nonresponsive offer. An offer is nonresponsive (i) if it does not constitute an unambiguous offer to enter into a contract with the District, or (ii) if it imposes conditions inconsistent with, or does not unambiguously agree to, the solicitation's material requirements. (b) Bid as Specified. Offers for supplies or services other than those specified will not be considered unless authorized by the Solicitation.

SIGNING YOUR OFFER: Every Offer must be signed by an individual with actual authority to bind the Offer. (a) If the Offeror is an individual, the Offer must be signed by that individual. If the Offeror is an individual doing business as a firm, the Offer must be submitted in the firm name, signed by the individual, and state that the individual is doing business as a firm. (b) If the Offeror is a partnership, the Offer must be submitted in the partnership name, followed by the words by its Partner, and signed by a general partner. (c) If the Offeror is a corporation, the Offer must be submitted in the corporate name, followed by the signature and title of the person

authorized to sign. (d) An Offer may be submitted by a joint venturer involving any combination of individuals, partnerships, or corporations. If the Offeror is a joint venture, the Offer must be submitted in the name of the Joint Venture and signed by every participant in the joint venture in the manner prescribed in paragraphs (a) through (c) above for each type of participant. (e) If an Offer is signed by an agent, other than as stated in subparagraphs (a) through (d) above, the Offer must state that it has been signed by an Agent. Upon request, Offeror must provide proof of the agent's authorization to bind the principal.

DISCLOSURE OF YOUR BID/PROPOSAL & SUBMITTING CONFIDENTIAL DATA: (a) According to Section 11-35-410, any person submitting a document in response or with regard to any solicitation or other request, must comply with instructions provided in the solicitation for marking information exempt from public disclosure. Information not marked as required by the applicable instructions may be disclosed to the public. IF YOU IDENTIFY YOUR ENTIRE RESPONSE AS EXEMPT FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE, OR IF YOU DO NOT SUBMIT A REDACTED COPY AS REQUIRED, THE DISTRICT MAY, IN ITS SOLE DISCRETION, DETERMINE YOUR BID OR PROPOSAL NONRESPONSIVE AND INELIGIBLE FOR AWARD

(b) By submitting a response to this solicitation or request, Offeror agrees to the public disclosure of every page, or portion thereof, of every document regarding this solicitation or request that was submitted at any time prior to entering into a contract (including, but not limited to, documents contained in a response, documents submitted to clarify a response, and documents submitted during negotiations), unless the page, or portion thereof, was redacted and conspicuously marked "Trade Secret" or "Confidential" or "Protected". (2) agrees that any information not redacted and marked, as required by these bidding instructions, as a "Trade Secret" is not a trade secret as defined by the Trade Secrets Act, and (3) agrees that, notwithstanding any claims or markings otherwise, any prices, commissions, discounts, or other financial figures used to determine the award, as well as the final contract amount, are subject to public disclosure.

(c) If your offer includes any information that you claim is exempt from public disclosure, you must submit one complete copy of your offer from which you have removed or concealed such information (the redacted copy). Except for the information removed or concealed, the redacted copy must be identical to your original offer.

(d) Do not mark your entire response (bid, proposal, quote, etc.) as confidential, trade secret, or protected. If only portions of a page are subject to some protection, do not redact the entire page. The redacted copy must reflect the same pagination as the original and show the empty space from which information was redacted. The Procurement Officer must be able to view, search, copy and print the redacted copy without a password. If your response, or any part thereof, is improperly marked as confidential or trade secret or protected, the District may, in its sole discretion, determine it nonresponsive.

(e) On the redacted copy, you must identify the basis of your claim by marking each redaction as follows: You must separately mark with the word "CONFIDENTIAL" every page, or portion thereof, that you redacted and claim as exempt from public disclosure because it is either (1) a trade secret as defined in Section 30-4-40(a)(1) of the Freedom of Information Act, or (2) privileged and confidential, as that phrase is used in Section 11-35-410. You must separately mark with the words "TRADE SECRET" every page, or portion thereof, that you redacted and claim as exempt from public disclosure as a trade secret pursuant to Section 39-8-20 of the Trade Secrets Act. You must separately mark with the word "PROTECTED" every page, or portion thereof, that you redacted and claim as exempt from public disclosure pursuant to Section 11-35-1810. All markings must be conspicuous; use color, bold, underlining, or some other method in order to conspicuously distinguish the mark from the other text.

(f) In determining whether to release documents, the District will detrimentally rely on your redaction and marking of documents, as required by these bidding instructions, as being either "Confidential" or "Trade Secret" or "Protected". By submitting a response, you agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the District, its officers and employees, from every claim, demand, loss, expense, cost, damage or injury, including attorney's fees, arising out of or resulting from withholding information by the District, that you have redacted or marked as "Confidential" or "Trade Secret" or "Protected". (All references to S.C. Code of Laws.)

SUBMITTING A PAPER OFFER OR MODIFICATION: (a) All prices and notations should be printed in ink or typewritten. Errors should be crossed out, corrections entered and initialed by the person signing the bid. Do not modify the solicitation document itself (including bid schedule). (b) (1) All copies of the offer or modification, and any other documents required to be submitted with the offer shall be enclosed in a sealed, opaque envelope or package. (2) Address to the Office of Procurement Services as specified in the Solicitation (3) The envelope or package must show the time and date specified for opening, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the bidder. If the offer or modification is sent by mail or special delivery service (UPS, Federal Express, etc.), the

outermost envelope or wrapper must be labeled "OFFER ENCLOSED" on the face thereof. (c) If you are responding to more than one solicitation, submit each offer in a separate envelope or package. (d) Submit the number of copies indicated on the Cover Page. (e) Facsimile or e-mail offers, modifications, or withdrawals, will not be considered unless authorized by the Solicitation.

TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: (a) If Offeror is owned or controlled by a common parent as defined in paragraph (b) of this provision, Offeror shall submit with its Offer the name and TIN of common parent.

(b) Definitions: "Common parent," as used in this provision, means that corporate entity that owns or controls an affiliated group of corporations that files its Federal income tax returns on a consolidated basis, and of which the Offeror is a member. "Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)," as used in this provision, means the number required by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to be used by the Offeror in reporting income tax and other returns. The TIN may be either a Social Security Number or an Employer Identification Number.

(c) If Offeror does not have a TIN, Offeror shall indicate if either a TIN has been applied for or a TIN is not required. If a TIN is not required, indicate whether (i) Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the United States; (ii) Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a state or local government; (iii) Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government; or (iv) Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government.

VENDOR REGISTRATION: Offerors who have not provided products/services to the District in the past or within the past three years should complete a W-9 and submit it with your offer.

WITHDRAWAL OR CORRECTION OF OFFER: Offers may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before the exact time set for opening. If the Solicitation authorizes facsimile offers, offers may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before the exact time set for opening. A bid may be withdrawn in person by a bidder or its authorized representative if, before the exact time set for opening, the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the bid. The withdrawal and correction of Offers is governed by S.C. Code Section 11-35-1520 and Regulation 19-445.2085.

II. INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS – B. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

BID SAMPLES OR DESCRIPTIVE LITERATURE: Do not submit bid samples or descriptive literature unless expressly requested. Unsolicited bid samples or descriptive literature will not be examined or tested, will not be used to determine responsiveness, and will not be deemed to vary any of the provisions of the solicitation.

DESCRIPTIVE LITERATURE – LABELLING: Include the offeror's name on the cover of any specifications or descriptive literature submitted with your offer.

PREFERENCES - A NOTICE TO VENDORS: On June 16, 2009, the South Carolina General Assembly rewrote the law governing preferences available to in-state vendors, vendors using in-state subcontractors, and vendors selling in-state or US end products. This law appears in Section 11-35-1524 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. A summary of the new preferences is available at www.procurement.sc.gov/preferences. ALL THE PREFERENCES MUST BE CLAIMED AND ARE APPLIED BY LINE ITEM, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER AWARD IS MADE BY ITEM OR LOT. VENDORS ARE CAUTIONED TO CAREFULLY REVIEW THE STATUTE BEFORE CLAIMING ANY PREFERENCES. THE REQUIREMENTS TO QUALIFY HAVE CHANGED. IF YOU REQUEST A PREFERENCE, YOU ARE CERTIFYING THAT YOUR OFFER QUALIFIES FOR THE PREFERENCE YOU'VE CLAIMED. IMPROPERLY REQUESTING A PREFERENCE CAN HAVE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES. [11-35-1524(E)(4)&(6)]

PREFERENCES - SC/US END-PRODUCT: Section 11-35-1524 provides a preference to vendors offering South Carolina end-products or US end-products, if those products are made, manufactured, or grown in SC or the US, respectively. An end-product is the tangible project identified for acquisition in this solicitation, including all component parts in final form and ready for the use intended. The terms "made," "manufactured," and "grown" are

defined by Section 11-35-1524(A). By signing your offer and checking the appropriate space(s) provided and identified on the bid schedule, you certify that the end-product(s) is either made, manufactured or grown in South Carolina, or other states of the United States, as applicable. Preference will be applied as required by law. Post award substitutions are prohibited. See “Substitutions Prohibited - End Product Preferences (Sep 2009)” provision

PREFERENCES - RESIDENT CONTRACTOR PREFERENCE: To qualify for the RCP, you must maintain an office in this state. An office is a nonmobile place for the regular transaction of business or performance of a particular service which has been operated as such by the bidder for at least one year before the bid opening and during that year the place has been staffed for at least fifty weeks by at least two employees for at least thirty-five hours a week each. In addition, you must, at the time you submit your bid, directly employ, or have a documented commitment with, individuals domiciled in South Carolina that will perform services expressly required by the solicitation and your total direct labor cost for those individuals to provide those services must exceed fifty percent of your total bid price. [11-35-1524(C)(1)(iii)] Upon request by the procurement officer, you must identify the persons domiciled in South Carolina that will perform the services involved in the procurement upon which you rely in qualifying for the preference, the services those individuals are to perform, and documentation of the labor cost for each person identified. If requested, your failure to provide this information promptly will be grounds to deny the preference (and, potentially, for other enforcement action).

PREFERENCES - RESIDENT SUBCONTRACTOR PREFERENCE: To qualify for this preference, You must meet the following requirements. (1) You must -- at the time you submit your bid -- have a documented commitment from a single proposed first tier subcontractor to perform some portion of the services expressly required by the solicitation. (2) The subcontractor -- at the time you submit your bid -- must directly employ, or have a documented commitment with, individuals domiciled in South Carolina that will perform services expressly required by the solicitation and the total direct labor cost to the subcontractor for those individuals to provide those services exceeds, as applicable, either twenty percent for a 2% preference or forty percent of bidder's total bid price for a 4% preference. (3) You must identify the subcontractor that will perform the work, the work the subcontractor is to perform, and your factual basis for concluding that the subcontractor's work constitutes the required percentage of the work to be performed in the procurement. [11-35-1524(D)] You can stack this preference, i.e., earn another 2% or 4% preference for each additional qualifying subcontractor, but the preference is capped. [11-35-1524(D)(4), (E)(7)] Upon request by the procurement officer, you must identify the persons domiciled in South Carolina that are to perform the services involved in the procurement upon which you rely in qualifying for the preference, the services those individuals are to perform, the employer of those persons, your relationship with the employer, and documentation of the subcontractor's labor cost for each person identified. If requested, your failure to provide this information promptly will be grounds to deny the preference (and, potentially, for other enforcement action). YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE THE PREFERENCE UNLESS YOU SPECIFY WHETHER YOU'RE ARE CLAIMING THE 2% OR 4% PREFERENCE AND YOU PROVIDE THE INFORMATION REQUIRED BY ITEM (3) ABOVE.

PREFERENCES - RESIDENT VENDOR PREFERENCE: To qualify for the RVP, you must maintain an office in this state. An office is a nonmobile place for the regular transaction of business or performance of a particular service which has been operated as such by the bidder for at least one year before the bid opening and during that year the place has been staffed for at least fifty weeks by at least two employees for at least thirty-five hours a week each. In addition, you must either: (1) maintain at a location in South Carolina at the time of the bid an inventory of expendable items which are representative of the general type of commodities for which the award will be made and which have a minimum total value, based on the bid price, equal to the lesser of fifty thousand dollars [\$50,000] or the annual amount of the contract; or (2) be a manufacturer headquartered and having an annual payroll of at least one million dollars in South Carolina and the end product being sold is either made or processed from raw materials into a finished end product by that manufacturer or its affiliate (as defined in Section 1563 of the Internal Revenue Code).

RESPONSIVENESS – CORRECTION OF NON-CONFORMITY: Offerors will not be given an opportunity to correct any material nonconformity. Any deficiency resulting from a minor informality may be cured or waived at the sole discretion of the Procurement Officer.

SITE VISIT: Bidders are strongly encouraged to visit the site(s) prior to bidding to inspect. All visitors are required to check in at the front office of the school upon arrival.

UNIT PRICES REQUIRED: Unit price to be shown for each item.

EVERY RESULTING CONTRACT IS SUBJECT TO ALL TERMS OF THE DISTRICT PROCUREMENT CODE INCLUDING LIMITATIONS AS TO DURATION, RIGHTS OF THE DISTRICT TO TERMINATE AND MEANS OF DISPUTE RESOLUTION. NO RESULTING CONTRACT IS RENEWABLE EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED IN THE SOLICITATION. NO VENDOR TERMS TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER THE SOLICITATION AND DISTRICT PROCUREMENT CODE.

III. SCOPE OF WORK / SPECIFICATIONS

SCOPE OF WORK:

It is the intent of School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties to seek competitive sealed bids from qualified contractors to perform annual testing, inspection, maintenance, and repair of fire extinguishers, sprinkler fire suppression systems, and backflow preventer assemblies, as well as semi-annual (twice per year) testing, inspection, maintenance and repair of kitchen hood fire suppression system, throughout the District.

SPECIFICATIONS:

1. Fire Extinguishers

Annual Testing and Inspection

- a. The contractor will perform annual inspections and certification of fire extinguishers for all District Five schools, offices, and buildings, to include a nonportable Clean-Agent Fire Suppression System (FM-200) located at the District Office- Annex Building (Server Room). Inspections must be done in accordance with all National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards; all local, state, and federal laws and codes.
- b. The contractor will perform hydrostatic testing of fire extinguishers if required during the inspection. Testing and Inspections are to occur at intervals of not more than one (1) time per year, or at the time of the hydrostatic test, or when indicated by an inspection. Annual inspections, testing, and certifications must be performed during the month of March for each contract period.
- c. For the initial contract period, the Contractor shall perform a comprehensive inventory, inspection, testing, and certification of all fire extinguishers within four (4) weeks of issuance of the first Purchase Order (PO).
 - i. Upon issuance of the first PO, the Contractor shall conduct a complete physical inventory of all fire extinguishers at each school and/or facility location.
 - ii. The inventory shall include, at a minimum, the type, size, and location of each unit.
 - iii. A copy of the completed inventory report shall be provided to the District's Facilities Department upon completion.
- d. Fire extinguishers must be internally examined at intervals not exceeding those in table 7.3.1.1.2 and hydrostatically tested at intervals not exceeding table 8.3.1 of NFPA 10, chapter 7.
- e. When fire extinguishers are removed from service for maintenance, testing, or charging, they must be replaced with a fire extinguisher suitable for the type of hazard being protected and must be of at least equal rating. When same-day, on-site maintenance, testing or recharging is conducted, this service is not considered removal from service.
- f. After testing and inspection, the contractor must install a new tamper-proof seal on each fire extinguisher and must have a new tag or label attached securely to the unit. The label must include the contractor's name, the name of the individual performing the work, and contact information. The tag will also indicate the month and year that the service was performed. The tag must include space for district personnel to initial during monthly inspections.

Maintenance, Repair and Recharging

- g. The contractor must maintain all fire extinguishers for District Five schools, including a nonportable FM-200 Clean-Agent Fire Suppression System located in the District Office - Annex Building (server room), in accordance with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) NFPA 10, chapter 7 – inspection, maintenance, and recharging of portable fire extinguisher; and chapter 8 hydrostatic testing.
- h. Fire extinguishers that undergo maintenance that includes internal examination or recharging must have a verification of service collar around the neck of the container. The collar must indicate the name of the contractor performing the maintenance or recharge and the month

and year of service by perforation of the tag. No stamping metal is allowed except when it is determined that the extinguisher is condemned of service.

- i. The contractor must complete all requested repair work during normal business hours. Normal business hours are defined as Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. When work cannot be completed during normal business hours, the contractor must receive approval from the Facilities Office prior to authorizing any over-time.

2. Kitchen Hoods

Semi-Annual Testing and Inspection

- a. The contractor must conduct semi-annual (twice a year) inspections, certification of operation, and testing of kitchen hood fire suppression systems. Inspections must be done in accordance with all National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards; all local, state and federal laws and codes. The District estimates approximately thirty-one (31) kitchen hood fire suppression systems. Based on current information, each system is equipped with one (1) suppression cylinder (tank) and three (3) fusible links. This information is provided for general reference only and is not guaranteed. Bidders are encouraged to conduct site visits to verify existing conditions. The awarded Contractor shall be responsible for performing a comprehensive inventory of all system components as part of the initial contract requirements, which will establish final quantities.
- b. Semi-Annual inspections, testing, and certifications must be performed during the months of **July and January** for each contract period. For the initial contract period, inspections, testing and certifications must be performed within four (4) weeks of issuance of the first Purchase Order (PO).
- c. The successful bidder must fully configure and test each system.
- d. The contractor shall include in the cost of their inspection replacing up to a total of fifteen (15) fusible links per hood system.
- e. The contractor must provide written certification that semi-annual testing and inspections have been performed. Inspection reports must be compiled and submitted to the District's Facilities Office within ten (10) days of inspection. The NFPA 96 report must be provided for each semi-annual inspection and as requested by the District.
- f. When reports show deficiencies or violations are found, the contractor must supply the District's Facilities Office with an estimate to repair the deficiency and/or correct the violation.
- g. Quantities and location for Wet-Dry Systems is found in **Attachment D** of this solicitation.

Maintenance and Repair

- h. The contractor must complete all requested repair work during normal business hours. Normal business hours are defined as Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. When work cannot be completed during normal business hours, the contractor must receive approval from the Facilities Office prior to authorizing any over-time.
- i. The contractor must have the capability to replace outdated equipment upon request. The District reserves the right to negotiate a fair and reasonable price for new equipment with the contract holder or seek competition on the open market.

3. Sprinkler Fire Suppression Systems and Backflow Preventer Assemblies

Annual Testing and Inspection

- a. The contractor must conduct annual inspections, maintenance, certification of operation, and testing of sprinkler fire suppression systems, including all associated backflow preventer valves and assemblies. Inspections shall be performed in accordance with all National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards; all local, state and federal laws and codes. The contractor must perform functional testing (NFPA 25) of the standpipe, main drain, hose valves, backflow preventer valves, all valves, private fire service mains, monitor nozzles, hydrants, fire pump systems, full flow, alarm signals, and annual maintenance.

The District estimates that there are approximately fifty-one (51) backflow prevention assemblies. Fifteen (15) schools are equipped with sprinkler systems, and certain campuses may contain multiple systems and/or buildings served by a single system. All quantities are estimates provided for bidding purposes only and are not guaranteed. The awarded Contractor shall verify existing conditions and complete a comprehensive inventory of all backflow prevention assemblies during the initial contract period. School and Office locations can be found in **Attachment C** of this solicitation.

- b. Annual inspections, testing, and certification (NFPA25) for Sprinkler Fire Suppression Systems and Backflow Preventer Assemblies must be performed during the month of July for each contract period. **The contractor shall perform the NFPA-required Five-Year Inspection and Testing during the initial year of the contract term.** Services shall be performed within four (4) weeks of issuance of the first Purchase Order (PO). Services shall include, but are not limited to, testing and, where required, replacement or inspection of gauges; extra high-temperature/corrosive atmosphere components; internal pipe obstruction inspections; fire department connections; hydrostatic testing of Siamese connections; standpipe full-flow testing to remote points; hose connection pressure reducing valves (full flow); hydrostatic testing of manual/dry standpipes; inspection and replacement of fire hoses that fail inspection; valves; valve connections; pressure reducing valves; relief valves (full flow); private fire service mains; and internal backflow components.
- c. The successful bidder must fully configure and test each system to verify proper operation.
- d. The contractor shall provide written certification that annual testing and inspections have been performed. Inspection reports must be compiled and submitted to the District's Facilities Office within ten (10) days of inspection. The NFPA 72 report must be provided for each annual inspection and as requested by the District.
- e. When reports show deficiencies or violations are found, the contractor must supply the District's Facilities Office with an estimate to repair the deficiency and/or correct the violation.

Maintenance and Repair

- f. The contractor must complete all requested repair work during normal business hours. Normal business hours are defined as Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. When work cannot be completed during normal business hours, the contractor must receive approval from the Facilities Office prior to authorizing any over-time.
- g. The contractor must have the capability to replace outdated equipment upon request. The District reserves the right to negotiate a fair and reasonable price for new equipment with the contract holder or seek competition on the open market.

DELIVERY / PERFORMANCE LOCATION – PURCHASE ORDER: After award, all deliveries shall be made and all services provided to the location specified by the District on the purchase order.

IV. INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT

Offeror shall submit proof of compliance with the qualifications specified by this solicitation by providing the following information and documents:

1. Signed Cover Page and Page Two of the most recent amendment.
2. Bid Schedule: Completed Section VIII of the solicitation (or most recent amendment).
3. Copies of all required licenses and/or certifications held.
4. Certificate of insurance (COI) that includes workers' compensation and general liability insurance.
5. Offeror shall provide (3) references demonstrating the company's background and experience of contracts that are similar in size and type, preferably in a K-12 setting. References should be for work completed within the last two (2) years and should be on the same scope as described within this offer (Submit on enclosed Reference Form).
6. See **V. QUALIFICATIONS - REQUIRED INFORMATION** No.1-4 (page 15)

INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT – GENERAL: Offeror shall submit a signed Cover Page, Page Two, and Amendments (if applicable). Offeror should submit all other information and documents requested in this part and in parts II.B. Special Instructions; III. Scope of Work; V. Qualifications; and any appropriate attachments addressed in section IX. Attachments to Solicitations. You should submit a summary of all insurance policies you have or plan to acquire to comply with the insurance requirements stated herein, if any, including policy types; coverage types; limits, sub-limits, and deductibles for each policy and coverage type; the carrier's A.M. Best rating; and whether the policy is written on an occurrence or claims-made basis.

REFERENCES Offeror shall provide (3) references demonstrating company's background and experience of contracts that are similar in size and type, preferably in a K-12 setting. References should be for work completed within the last two (2) years and should be on the same scope as described within this offer (Submit on enclosed Reference Form).

V. QUALIFICATIONS

QUALIFICATION OF OFFEROR: (1) To be eligible for award, you must have the capability in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements and the integrity and reliability which will assure good faith performance. We may also consider a documented commitment from a satisfactory source that will provide you with a capability. We may consider information from any source at any time prior to award. We may elect to consider (i) key personnel, any predecessor business, and any key personnel of any predecessor business, including any facts arising prior to the date a business was established, and/or (ii) any subcontractor you identify. (2) You must promptly furnish satisfactory evidence of responsibility upon request. Unreasonable failure to supply requested information is grounds for rejection. (3) Corporate subsidiaries are cautioned that the financial capability of an affiliated or parent company will not be considered in determining financial capability; however, we may elect to consider any security, e.g., letter of credit, performance bond, parent-company corporate guaranty, that you offer to provide. Instructions and forms to help assure acceptability are posted on procurement.sc.gov, link to "Standard Clauses & Provisions."

QUALIFICATIONS- SPECIAL STANDARDS OF RESPONSIBILITY: (a) This section establishes special standards of responsibility. **UNLESS YOU POSSESS THE FOLLOWING MANDATORY MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS, DO NOT SUBMIT AN OFFER:**

1. Bidders must have D.O.T certification as a cylinder re-qualification facility.
2. Current Class A license issued by the South Carolina Office of State Fire Marshall. This includes recharging carbon dioxide units and conducting hydrostatic testing on all types of portable fire extinguishers.
3. Each individual servicing the systems covered under this contract shall possess a valid permit issued by the South Carolina Office of State Fire Marshall.
4. Should any required license be suspended or revoked during the contract term, the individual and firm shall notify the District in writing within five (5) business days of the suspension or revocation.

QUALIFICATIONS – REQUIRED INFORMATION: Submit the following information or documentation for you and for any subcontractor (at any tier level) that you identify pursuant to the clause titled subcontractor – Identification. Err on the side of inclusion. You represent that the information provided is complete.

1. Documentation demonstration certification by D.O.T. as a cylinder requalification facility.
2. Copy of current Class A Fire Protection Contractor License.
3. Provide a statement of confirmation that no unpermitted personnel will perform regulated work under this contract.
4. Offeror shall provide (3) references demonstrating the company's background and experience of contracts that are similar in size and type, preferably in a K-12 setting. References should be for work completed within the last two (2) years and should be on the same scope as described within this offer (**Submit on enclosed Reference Form found in Attachment A).**

VI. AWARD CRITERIA

AWARD BY LOT: Award will be made by complete lot(s).

AWARD CRITERIA - BIDS: Award will be made to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder(s).

AWARD TO MULTIPLE OFFERORS: Award may be made to more than one Offeror.

UNIT PRICE GOVERNS: In determining award, unit prices will govern over extended prices unless otherwise stated.

VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS – A. GENERAL

ASSIGNMENT, NOVATION, AND CHANGE OF NAME, IDENTITY, OR STRUCTURE:

(a) Contractor shall not assign this contract, or its rights, obligations, or any other interest arising from this contract, or delegate any of its performance obligations, without the express written consent of the responsible procurement officer. The foregoing restriction does not apply to a transfer that occurs by operation of law (e.g., bankruptcy; corporate reorganizations and consolidations, but not including partial asset sales). Notwithstanding the foregoing, Contractor may assign monies receivable under the contract provided that the District shall have no obligation to make payment to an assignee until thirty days after Contractor (not the assignee) has provided the responsible procurement officer with (i) proof of the assignment, (ii) the identity (by contract number) of the specific District contract to which the assignment applies, and (iii) the name of the assignee and the exact address or account information to which assigned payments should be made. (b) If Contractor amends, modifies, or otherwise changes its name, its identity (including its trade name), or its corporate, partnership or other structure, or its FEIN, Contractor shall provide the procurement officer prompt written notice of such change. (c) Any name change, transfer, assignment, or novation is subject to the conditions and approval required by Regulation 19-445.2180, which does not restrict transfers by operation of law.

BANKRUPTCY - GENERAL: (a) Notice. In the event the Contractor enters into proceedings relating to bankruptcy, whether voluntary or involuntary, the Contractor agrees to furnish written notification of the bankruptcy to the District. This notification shall be furnished within two (2) days of the initiation of the proceedings relating to the bankruptcy filing. This notification shall include the date on which the bankruptcy petition was filed, the identity of the court in which the bankruptcy petition was filed, and a listing of all District contracts against which final payment has not been made. This obligation remains in effect until final payment under this Contract. (b) Termination. This contract is cancellable and subject to immediate termination by the District upon the Contractor's insolvency, including the filing of proceedings in bankruptcy.

CHOICE-OF-LAW: The Agreement, any dispute, claim, or controversy relating to the Agreement, and all the rights and obligations of the parties shall, in all respects, be interpreted, construed, enforced and governed by and

under the laws of the State of South Carolina, except its choice of law rules. As used in this paragraph, the term “Agreement” means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation.

CONTRACT AWARDED PURSUANT TO CODE: Any contract resulting from this solicitation is formed pursuant to the District’s Procurement Code and is deemed to incorporate all applicable provisions thereof and the ensuing regulations. See also clause titled “Code of Laws Available.”

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS & ORDER OF PRECEDENCE: (a) Any contract resulting from this solicitation shall consist of the following documents: (1) a Record of Negotiations, if any, executed by you and the Procurement Officer, (2) documentation regarding the clarification of an offer, if applicable, (3) the solicitation, as amended, (4) modifications, if any, to your offer, if accepted by the Procurement Officer, (5) your offer, (6) any statement reflecting the District’s final acceptance (a/k/a “award”), and (7) purchase orders. These documents shall be read to be consistent and complimentary. Any conflict among these documents shall be resolved by giving priority to these documents in the order listed above. (b) The terms and conditions of documents (1) through (6) above shall apply notwithstanding any additional or different terms and conditions in either (i) a purchase order or other instrument submitted by the District or (ii) any invoice or other document submitted by Contractor. Except as otherwise allowed herein, the terms and conditions of all such documents shall be void and of no effect. (c) No contract, license, or other agreement containing contractual terms and conditions will be signed by the District. Any document signed or otherwise agreed to by persons other than the Procurement Officer or designee shall be void and of no effect.

DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT: (a) Discounts for prompt payment will not be considered in the evaluation of offers. However, any offered discount will form a part of the award, and will be taken if payment is made within the discount period indicated in the offer by the Offeror. As an alternative to offering a discount for prompt payment in conjunction with the offer, Offerors awarded contracts may include discounts for prompt payment on individual invoices. (b) In connection with any discount offered for prompt payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. If the Contractor has not placed a date on the invoice, the due date shall be calculated from the date the designated billing office receives a proper invoice, provided the District annotates such invoice with the date of receipt at the time of receipt. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date that appears on the payment check or, for an electronic funds transfer, the specified payment date. When the discount date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a legal holiday when Federal Government offices are closed and Government business is not expected to be conducted, payment may be made on the following business day.

DISPUTES: (1) Choice-of-Forum. All disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the Agreement shall be resolved exclusively by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer in accordance with Title 11, Chapter 35, Article 17 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, or in the absence of jurisdiction, only in the Court of Common Pleas for, or a federal court located in, Richland County, State of South Carolina. Contractor agrees that any act by the Government regarding the Agreement is not a waiver of either the Government’s sovereign immunity or the Government’s immunity under the Eleventh Amendment of the United States Constitution. As used in this paragraph, the term “Agreement” means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation. (2) Service of Process. Contractor consents that any papers, notices, or process necessary or proper for the initiation or continuation of any disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the Agreement; for any court action in connection therewith; or for the entry of judgment on any award made, may be served on Contractor by certified mail (return receipt requested) addressed to Contractor at the address provided as the Notice Address on Page Two or by personal service or by any other manner that is permitted by law, in or outside South Carolina. Notice by certified mail is deemed duly given upon deposit in the United States mail.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY: Contractor is referred to and shall comply with all applicable provisions, if any, of Title 41, Part 60 of the Code of Federal Regulations, including but not limited to Sections 60-1.4, 60-4.2, 60-4.3, 60-250.5(a), and 60-741.5(a), which are hereby incorporated by reference.

FALSE CLAIMS: According to the S.C. Code of Laws § 16-13-240, “a person who by false pretense or representation obtains the signature of a person to a written instrument or obtains from another person any chattel,

money, valuable security, or other property, real or personal, with intent to cheat and defraud a person of that property is guilty” of a crime.

FIXED PRICING REQUIRED: Any pricing provided by Contractor shall include all costs for performing the work associated with that price. Contractor’s price shall be fixed for the duration of this contract, including option terms, except as otherwise provided in this solicitation. This clause does not prohibit Contractor from offering lower pricing after award.

NO INDEMNITY OR DEFENSE: Any term or condition is void to the extent it requires the District to indemnify, defend, or pay attorney’s fees to anyone for any reason.

NOTICE: A) After award, any notices shall be in writing and shall be deemed duly given (1) upon actual delivery, if delivery is by hand, (2) upon receipt by the transmitting party of automated confirmation or answer back from the recipient’s device if delivery is by telex, telegram, facsimile, or electronic mail, or (3) ten days after deposit into the United States mail, if postage is prepaid, a return receipt is requested, and either registered or certified mail is used. (B) Notice to contractor shall be to the address identified as the Notice Address on Page Two. Notice to the District shall be to the Procurement Officer’s address on the Cover Page. Either party may designate a different address for notice by giving notice in accordance with this paragraph

OPEN TRADE: During the contract term, including any renewals or extensions, Contractor will not engage in the boycott of a person or an entity based in or doing business with a jurisdiction with whom South Carolina can enjoy open trade, as defined in SC Code Section 11-35-5300

ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST: (a) The Contractor agrees to immediately advise the Procurement Officer if an actual or potential organizational conflict of interest is discovered after award, and to make a full written disclosure promptly thereafter to the Procurement Officer. This disclosure shall include a description of actions which the Contractor has taken or proposes to take, after consultation with the Procurement Officer, to avoid, mitigate, or neutralize the actual or potential conflict. (b) The District may terminate this contract for convenience, in whole or in part, if it deems such termination necessary to avoid an organizational conflict of interest. Contractor’s failure to include an appropriate termination for convenience clause in any subcontract shall not increase the obligation of the District beyond what it would have been if the subcontract had contained such a clause. (c) The disclosure required by paragraph (a) of this provision is a material obligation of the contract. If the Contractor knew or should have known of an organizational conflict of interest prior to award, or discovers an actual or potential conflict after award, and does not disclose, or misrepresents, relevant information to the Procurement Officer, the District may terminate the contract for default.

PAYMENT & INTEREST: (a) The District shall pay the Contractor, after the submission of proper invoices or vouchers, the prices stipulated in this contract for supplies delivered and accepted or services rendered and accepted, less any deductions provided in this contract. Unless otherwise specified herein, including the purchase order, payment shall not be made on partial deliveries accepted by the District. (b) Unless otherwise provided herein, including the purchase order, payment will be made by check mailed to the payment address on “page Two.” (c) Notwithstanding any other provision, payment shall be made in accordance with S.C. Code Section 11-35-45, or Chapter 6 of Title 29 (real property improvements) when applicable, which provides the Contractor’s exclusive means of recovering any type of interest from the Owner. Contractor waives imposition of an interest penalty unless the invoice submitted specifies that the late penalty is applicable. Except as set forth in this paragraph, the District shall not be liable for the payment of interest on any debt or claim arising out of or related to this contract for any reason. (d) Amounts due to the District shall bear interest at the rate of interest established by the South Carolina Comptroller General pursuant to Section 11-35-45 (“an amount not to exceed fifteen percent each year”), as amended, unless otherwise required by Section 29-6-30. (e) Any other basis for interest, including but not limited to general (pre- and post-judgment) or specific interest statutes, including S.C. Code Ann. Section 34-31-20, are expressly waived by both parties. If a court, despite this agreement and waiver, requires that interest be paid on any debt by either party other than as provided by items (c) and (d) above, the parties further agree that the applicable interest rate for any given calendar year shall be the lowest prime rate as listed in the first edition of the Wall Street Journal published for each year, applied as simple interest without compounding. (f) The District shall have all of its common law, equitable and statutory rights of set-off.

PUBLICITY: Contractor shall not publish any comments or quotes from District employees, or include the District in either news releases or a published list of customers, without the prior written approval of the Procurement Officer.

PURCHASE ORDERS: Contractor shall not perform any work prior to the receipt of a purchase order from the District. The District shall order any supplies or services to be furnished under this contract by issuing a purchase order. Purchase orders may be used to elect any options available under this contract, e.g., quantity, item, delivery date, payment method, but are subject to all terms and conditions of this contract. Purchase orders may be electronic. No particular form is required. An order placed pursuant to the purchasing card provision qualifies as a purchase order. Purchase order number must be clearly stated on each carton or package, shipping ticket, invoice and any/all other information related to the order.

SURVIVAL OF OBLIGATIONS: The Parties' rights and obligations which, by their nature, would continue beyond the termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration of this contract shall survive such termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration, including, but not limited to, the rights and obligations created by the following clauses: Indemnification – Third Party Claims, Intellectual Property Indemnification, and any provisions regarding warranty or audit.

TAXES: Any tax the Contractor may be required to collect or pay upon the sale, use or delivery of the products shall be paid by the District, and such sums shall be due and payable to the Contractor upon acceptance. Any personal property taxes levied after delivery shall be paid by the District. It shall be solely the District's obligation, after payment to Contractor, to challenge the applicability of any tax by negotiation with, or action against, the taxing authority. Contractor agrees to refund any tax collected, which is subsequently determined not to be proper and for which a refund has been paid to Contractor by the taxing authority. In the event that the Contractor fails to pay, or delays in paying, to any taxing authorities, sums paid by the District to Contractor, Contractor shall be liable to the District for any loss (such as the assessment of additional interest) caused by virtue of this failure or delay. Taxes based on Contractor's net income or assets shall be the sole responsibility of the Contractor.

TERMINATION: Subject to the conditions below, the District, providing a (30) thirty-day advance written notice is given to the vendor, may terminate the contract for any reason.

NON-APPROPRIATIONS: Any contract entered into by the District resulting from this bid invitation shall be subject to cancellation without damages or further obligation when funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support continuation of performance in a subsequent fiscal period or appropriated year.

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

FOR CAUSE: Termination by the District for cause, default or negligence on the part of the vendor shall be excluded from the foregoing conditions; termination costs, if any, shall not apply. The thirty (30) days advance notice requirement is waived and the default clause in this bid shall apply.

DEFAULT: In case of default by the vendor, the District reserves the right to purchase any or all items in default in the open market, charging the vendor with any additional costs. The defaulting vendor shall not be considered a responsible bidder until the assessed charge has been satisfied.

TERMINATION DUE TO UNAVAILABILITY OF FUNDS: Payment and performance obligations for succeeding fiscal periods shall be subject to the availability and appropriation of funds therefore. When funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support continuation of performance in a subsequent fiscal period, the contract shall be canceled. In the event of a cancellation pursuant to this paragraph, Contractor will be reimbursed the resulting unamortized, reasonably incurred, nonrecurring costs. The Contractor will not be reimbursed any costs amortized beyond the initial contract term.

THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARY: This Contract is made solely and specifically among and for the benefit of the parties hereto, and their respective successors and assigns, and no other person will have any rights, interest, or

claims hereunder or be entitled to any benefits under or on account of this Contract as a third-party beneficiary or otherwise.

WAIVER: The District does not waive any prior or subsequent breach of the terms of the Contract by making payments on the Contract, by failing to terminate the Contract for lack of performance, or by failing to strictly or promptly insist upon any term of the Contract. Only the Procurement Officer has actual authority to waive any of District's rights under this Contract. Any waiver must be in writing.

VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS – B. SPECIAL

1. The District reserves the right to add or delete equipment when necessary to maintain an up-to-date system. Due to the possibility of any location being upgraded and/or changed, if applicable, the District will negotiate a fair and reasonable new rate with the contract holder.
2. Contractors are required to check in at the main office of each school immediately upon arrival. Contractor and their staff should have a form of identification on at all times during the job.
3. The contractor shall provide a service ticket for each location upon completion of the work. Service tickets must be signed by a school administrator and must provide details of the work performed.
4. The District reserves the right to add schools, offices, and buildings to the contract. The District will negotiate a fair and reasonable price with the contract holder or seek competition on the open market when schools and/or offices are added.
5. The contractor must have the capability to replace outdated equipment upon request. The District reserves the right to negotiate a fair and reasonable price for new equipment with the contract holder or seek competition on the open market.
6. The contractor shall warrant all workmanship for a period of twenty-one (21) days. Repairs required due to defective workmanship shall be made at no additional cost. The contractor shall warranty parts for a period of ninety (90) days after installation. Defective parts shall be replaced at no additional cost including labor.
7. The contractor shall provide all labor, equipment, materials, and supplies necessary to perform the work.
8. SC law requires that Contractors who are awarded contracts in excess of \$5,000 be licensed by the SC Contractors Licensing Board if required for the project. The Contractor's SC General Contractor's license number must be clearly indicated on the face of the envelope of bids exceeding this amount. **Contractors must include a copy of their license(s) with their bid.**
9. The quantities of fire extinguishers identified in the bid schedule are estimates and are provided solely for the purpose of bid evaluation and award determination. The awarded contractor shall, during the initial inspection and service, conduct a comprehensive inventory of all fire extinguishers at each school and office location, including documentation of the type and size of each unit. A complete inventory report shall be submitted to the Facilities Department upon completion of the initial inspection.
10. **Response Time:** Response time is based on normal working days (Monday – Friday).

Emergency Repairs: The Contractor shall respond to needs identified by the District as an emergency Monday through Sunday. The Contractor shall be onsite within 12-hours after being notified by the District of an emergency-related repair. Failure to respond to service calls will be grounds for contract termination. The District will have the sole authority to determine what constitutes the need for an emergency response.

Awarded Contractor(s) shall provide an after-hours/emergency contact phone number with their offer. Failure to respond to a service call will be grounds for contract termination.

Non-Emergency Repairs: Contractor shall be on-site for all non-emergency repairs within 72-hours after being notified by the District.

BANKRUPTCY – GOVERNMENT INFORMATION:

(a) All government information (as defined in the clause herein entitled "Information Security - Definitions") shall belong exclusively to the District and Contractor has no legal or equitable interest in, or claim to, such information.

Contractor acknowledges and agrees that in the event Contractor enters into proceedings relating to bankruptcy, whether voluntary or involuntary, government information in its possession and/or under its control will not be considered property of its bankruptcy estate.

(b) Contractor agrees to notify the District within forty-eight (48) hours of any determination that it makes to file for bankruptcy protection, and Contractor further agrees to turn over to the District, before such filing, all government information that is in Contractor's possession in a format that can be readily utilized by the District.

(c) In order to protect the integrity and availability of government information, the Contractor shall take reasonable measures to evaluate and monitor the financial circumstances of any subcontractor that will process, store, transmit or access government information.

CHANGES:

(1) Contract Modification. By a written order, at any time, and without notice to any surety, the procurement officer may, subject to all appropriate adjustments, make changes within the general scope of this contract in any one or more of the following:

(a) Drawings, designs, or specifications, if the supplies to be furnished are to be specially manufactured for the District in accordance therewith;

(b) Method of shipment or packing;

(c) Place of delivery;

(d) Description of services to be performed;

(e) Time of performance (i.e., hours of the day, days of the week, etc.); or,

(f) Place of performance of the services.

Subparagraphs (a) to (c) apply only if supplies are furnished under this contract. Subparagraphs (d) to (f) apply only if services are performed under this contract.

(2) Adjustments of Price or Time for Performance. If any such change increases or decreases the Contractor's cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed by the order, an adjustment shall be made in the contract price, the delivery schedule, or both, and the contract modified in writing accordingly. Any adjustment in contract price made pursuant to this clause shall be determined in accordance with the Price Adjustment Clause of this contract. Failure of the parties to agree to an adjustment shall not excuse the Contractor from proceeding with the contract as changed, provided that the District promptly and duly make such provisional adjustments in payment or time for performance as may be reasonable. By proceeding with the work, the Contractor shall not be deemed to have prejudiced any claim for additional compensation, or an extension of time for completion.

(3) Time Period for Claim. Within 30 days after receipt of a written contract modification under Paragraph (1) of this clause, unless such period is extended by the Procurement Officer in writing, the Contractor shall file notice of intent to assert a claim for an adjustment. Later notification shall not bar the Contractor's claim unless the District is prejudiced by the delay in notification.

(4) Claim Barred After Final Payment. No claim by the Contractor for an adjustment hereunder shall be allowed if notice is not given prior to final payment under this contract.

CISG: The parties expressly agree that the UN Convention on the International Sale of Goods shall not apply to this agreement.

COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS: During the term of the contract, Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of laws, codes, ordinances, rules, regulations, and tariffs.

CONTRACT LIMITATIONS: No sales may be made pursuant to this contract for any item or service that is not expressly listed. No sales may be made pursuant to this contract after expiration of this contract. Violation of this provision may result in termination of this contract and may subject the contractor to suspension or debarment.

CONTRACTOR'S LIABILITY INSURANCE - GENERAL

(a) Without limiting any of the obligations or liabilities of Contractor, Contractor shall procure from a company or companies lawfully authorized to do business in South Carolina and with a current A.M. Best rating of no less than A: VII, and maintain for the duration of the contract, insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work and the results of that work by the contractor, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

(b) Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

(1) Commercial General Liability (CGL): Insurance Services Office (ISO) Form CG 00 01 12 07 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products-completed operations, personal and advertising injury, with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit. This contract shall be considered to be an "insured contract" as defined in the policy.

(2) Auto Liability: ISO Form Number CA 00 01 covering any auto (Code 1), or if Contractor has no owned autos, hired, (Code 8) and non-owned autos (Code 9), with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.

(3) Worker's Compensation: As required by the State of South Carolina, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.

(c) The District, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers of any of them, must be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or if not available, through the addition of both CG 20 10 and CG 20 37 if a later edition is used.

(d) For any claims related to this contract, the Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the District, and the officers, officials, employees and volunteers of any of them. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the District, or the officers, officials, employees and volunteers of any of them, shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

(e) Prior to commencement of the work, the Contractor shall furnish the District with original certificates and amendatory endorsements or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this section. All certificates are to be received and approved by the District before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The District reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by this section, at any time.

(f) Should any of the above described policies be cancelled before the expiration date thereof, notice will be delivered in accordance with the policy provisions. In addition, the Contractor shall notify the District immediately upon receiving any information that any of the coverages required by this section are or will be changed, cancelled, or replaced.

(g) Contractor hereby grants to the District a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Contractor may acquire against the District by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to effect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the District or Using Governmental Unit has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

(h) Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the District. The District may require the Contractor to purchase coverage with a lower deductible or retention or provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention.

(i) The District reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL: The Contractor shall enforce strict discipline and good order among the Contractor's employees and other persons carrying out the Contract. Contractor personnel shall present a professional appearance at all times while on District property. Personnel shall be neat, clean, well groomed, properly uniformed, and conduct themselves in a respectable and courteous manner and display proper identification. The Contractor shall not permit employment of unfit persons or persons not skilled in tasks assigned to them. No forms of tobacco products, alcohol and drugs, guns, knives, or other weapons are allowed on the District's premises. The District reserves the right to prohibit any individual employee of the Contractor from providing services on District property or at District events if the District determines, in its sole discretion, that such employee poses a threat to the safety or well-being of students, District/school personnel, or others.

CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATION – GENERAL: The Contractor shall provide and pay for all materials, tools, equipment, labor and professional and non-professional services, and shall perform all other acts and supply all other things necessary, to fully and properly perform and complete the work. The Contractor must act as the prime Contractor and assume full responsibility for any subcontractor's performance. The Contractor will be considered

the sole point of contact with regard to all situations, including payment of all charges and the meeting of all other requirements.

CONTRACTOR'S USE OF DISTRICT PROPERTY: Upon termination of the contract for any reason, the District shall have the right, upon demand, to obtain access to, and possession of, all District properties, including, but not limited to, current copies of all District application programs and necessary documentation, all data, files, intermediate materials and supplies held by the Contractor. Contractor shall not use, reproduce, distribute, display, or sell any data, material, or documentation owned exclusively by the District without the District's written consent, except to the extent necessary to carry out the work.

DEFAULT:

(a) (1) The District may, subject to paragraphs (c) and (d) of this clause, by written notice of default to the Contractor, terminate this contract in whole or in part if the Contractor fails to:

- (i) Deliver the supplies or to perform the services within the time specified in this contract or any extension;
- (ii) Make progress, so as to endanger performance of this contract (but see paragraph (a)(2) of this clause); or
- (iii) Perform any of the other material provisions of this contract (but see paragraph (a)(2) of this clause).

(2) The District's right to terminate this contract under subdivisions (a)(1)(ii) and (1)(iii) of this clause, may be exercised if the Contractor does not cure such failure within 10 days (or more if authorized in writing by the Procurement Officer) after receipt of the notice from the Procurement Officer specifying the failure.

(b) If the District terminates this contract in whole or in part, it may acquire, under the terms and in the manner the Procurement Officer considers appropriate, supplies or services similar to those terminated, and the Contractor will be liable to the District for any excess costs for those supplies or services. However, the Contractor shall continue the work not terminated.

I Except for defaults of subcontractors at any tier, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs if the failure to perform the contract arises from causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Examples of such causes include (1) acts of God or of the public enemy, (2) acts of the District in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, (3) fires, (4) floods, (5) epidemics, (6) quarantine restrictions, (7) strikes, (8) freight embargoes, and (9) unusually severe weather. In each instance the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor.

(d) If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor at any tier, and if the cause of the default is beyond the control of both the Contractor and subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs for failure to perform, unless the subcontracted supplies or services were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time for the Contractor to meet the required delivery schedule.

(e) If this contract is terminated for default, the District may require the Contractor to transfer title and deliver to the District, as directed by the Procurement Officer, any (1) completed supplies, and (2) partially completed supplies and materials, parts, tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, plans, drawings, information, and contract rights (collectively referred to as "manufacturing materials" in this clause) that the Contractor has specifically produced or acquired for the terminated portion of this contract. Upon direction of the Procurement Officer, the Contractor shall also protect and preserve property in its possession in which the District has an interest.

(f) The District shall pay contract price for completed supplies delivered and accepted. The Contractor and Procurement Officer shall agree on the amount of payment for manufacturing materials delivered and accepted and for the protection and preservation of the property; if the parties fail to agree, the Procurement Officer shall set an amount subject to the Contractor's rights under the Disputes clause. Failure to agree will be a dispute under the Disputes clause. The District may withhold from these amounts any sum the Procurement Officer determines to be necessary to protect the District against loss because of outstanding liens or claims of former lien holders.

(g) If, after termination, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the default was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties shall, if the contract contains a clause providing for termination for convenience of the District, be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the District. If, in the foregoing circumstances, this contract does not contain a clause providing for termination for convenience of the District, the contract shall be adjusted to compensate for such termination and the contract modified accordingly subject to the Contractor's rights under the Disputes clause.

(h) The rights and remedies of the District in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.

ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION: (An overview is available at www.procurement.sc.gov) By signing your offer, you certify that you will comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14 of the South Carolina Code of Laws and agree to provide to the District upon request any documentation required to establish either: (a) that Title 8, Chapter 14 is inapplicable to you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors; or (b) that you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors are in compliance with Title 8, Chapter 14. Pursuant to Section 8-14-60, "A person who knowingly makes or files any false, fictitious, or fraudulent document, statement, or report pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction, must be fined within the discretion of the court or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both." You agree to include in any contracts with your subcontractor's language requiring your subcontractors to (a) comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts with the sub-subcontractor's language requiring the sub-subcontractors to comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14.

INDEMNIFICATION-THIRD PARTY CLAIMS – GENERAL: Notwithstanding any limitation in this agreement, and to the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall defend and hold harmless indemnitees for and against any and all suits or claims of any character (and all related damages, settlement payments, attorneys' fees, costs, expenses, losses or liabilities) by a third party which are attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property arising out of or in connection with the goods or services acquired hereunder or caused in whole or in part by any act or omission of Contractor, its subcontractors, their employees, workmen, servants, agents, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, regardless of whether or not caused in part by an Indemnitee, and whether or not such claims are made by a third party or an Indemnitee; however, if an Indemnitee's negligent act or omission is subsequently determined to be the sole proximate cause of a suit or claim, the Indemnitee shall not be entitled to indemnification hereunder. The Contractor shall be given timely written notice of any suit or claim. Contractor's obligations hereunder are in no way limited by any protection afforded under workers' compensation acts, disability benefits acts, or other employee benefit acts. This clause shall not negate, abridge, or reduce any other rights or obligations of indemnity which would otherwise exist. The obligations of this paragraph shall survive termination, cancelation, or expiration of the parties' agreement. This provision shall be construed fairly and reasonably, neither strongly for nor against either party, and without regard to any clause regarding insurance. As used in this clause, "Indemnitees" means District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties, its instrumentalities, agencies, departments, boards, and all their respective officers, agents and employees.

LICENSES AND PERMITS: During the term of the contract, the Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining, and maintaining in good standing, all licenses (including professional licenses, if any), permits, inspections and related fees for each or any such licenses, permits and /or inspections required by the State, county, city or other government entity or unit to accomplish the work specified in this solicitation and the contract.

MATERIAL AND WORKMANSHIP: Unless otherwise specifically provided in this contract, all equipment, material, and articles incorporated in the work covered by this contract are to be new and of the most suitable grade for the purpose intended.

PRICE ADJUSTMENT – LIMITED – AFTER INITIAL TERM ONLY: Upon approval of the Procurement Officer, prices may be adjusted for any renewal term. Prices shall not be increased during the initial term. Any request for a price increase must be received by the Procurement Officer at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the applicable term and must be accompanied by sufficient documentation to justify the increase. If approved, a price increase becomes effective starting with the term beginning after approval. A price increase must be executed as a change order. Contractor may terminate this contract at the end of the then current term if a price increase request is denied. Notice of termination pursuant to this paragraph must be received by the Procurement Officer no later than fifteen (15) days after the Procurement Officer sends Contractor notice rejecting the requested price increase.

PRICING DATA – AUDIT – INSPECTION: [Clause Included Pursuant to Section 11-35-1830, - 2210, & -2220]
(a) Cost or Pricing Data. Upon Procurement Officer's request, you shall submit cost or pricing data, as defined by 48 C.F.R. Section 2.101 (2004), prior to either (1) any award to contractor pursuant to 11-35-1530 or 11-35-1560, if the total contract price exceeds \$500,000, or (2) execution of a change order or contract modification with contractor which exceeds \$100,000. Your price, including profit or fee, shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by

which the District finds that such price was increased because you furnished cost or pricing data that was inaccurate, incomplete, or not current as of the date agreed upon between parties. (b) Records Retention. You shall maintain your records for three years from the date of final payment, or longer if requested by the chief Procurement Officer. The District may audit your records at reasonable times and places. As used in this subparagraph (b), the term “records” means any books or records that relate to cost or pricing data submitted pursuant to this clause. In addition to the obligation stated in this subparagraph (b), you shall retain all records and allow any audits provided for by 11-352220(2). (c) Inspection. At reasonable times, the District may inspect any part of your place of business which is related to performance of the work. (d) Instructions Certification. When you submit data pursuant to subparagraph (a), you shall (1) do so in accordance with the instructions appearing in Table 15-2 of 48 C.F.R. Section 15.408 (2004) (adapted as necessary for the District context), and (2) submit a Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data, as prescribed by 48 CFR Section 15.406-2(a) (adapted as necessary for the District context). (e) Subcontracts. You shall include the above text of this clause in all of your subcontracts. (f) Nothing in this clause limits any other rights of the District.

RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES: Neither party is an employee, agent, partner, or joint venturer of the other. Neither party has the right or ability to bind the other to any agreement with a third party or to incur any obligation or liability on behalf of the other party.

RESTRICTIONS ON PRESENTING TERMS OF USE OR OFFERING ADDITIONAL SERVICES:

(a) Citizens, as well as public employees (acting in their individual capacity), should not be unnecessarily required to agree to or provide consent to policies or contractual terms in order to access services acquired by the government pursuant to this contract (hereinafter “applicable services”) or, in the case of public employees, to perform their job duties; accordingly, in performing the work, Contractor shall not require or invite any citizen or public employee to agree to or provide consent to any end user contract, privacy policy, or other terms of use (hereinafter “terms of use”) not previously approved in writing by the procurement officer. Contractor agrees that any terms of use regarding applicable services are void and of no effect.

(b) Unless expressly provided in the solicitation, public contracts are not intended to provide Contractors an opportunity to market additional products and services; accordingly, in performing the work, Contractor shall not – for itself or on behalf of any third party – offer citizens or public employees (other than the procurement officer) any additional products or services not required by the contract.

(c) Any reference to Contractor in items (a) or (b) also includes any subcontractor at any tier. Contractor is responsible for compliance with these obligations by any person or entity that Contractor authorizes to take any action related to the work.

(d) Any violation of this clause is a material breach of contract. The parties acknowledge the difficulties inherent in determining the damage from any breach of these restrictions. Contractor shall pay the state liquidated damages of \$1,000 for each contact with a citizen or end user that violates this restriction.

SUBSTITUTIONS PROHIBITED - END PRODUCT PREFERENCES: If you receive the award as a result of the South Carolina end product or United States end product preference, you may not substitute a nonqualifying end product for a qualified end product. If you violate this provision, the District may terminate your contract for cause and you may be debarred. In addition, you shall pay to the District an amount equal to twice the difference between the price paid by the District and your evaluated price for the item for which you delivered a substitute.

TERM OF CONTRACT – EFFECTIVE DATE/INITIAL CONTRACT PERIOD: The effective date of this contract is the first day of the maximum contract period as specified on the final statement of award. The initial term of this agreement is one year from the effective date. Regardless, this contract expires no later than the last date stated on the final statement of award.

TERM OF CONTRACT – OPTION TO RENEW : (a) At the end of the initial term, and at the end of each renewal term, this contract shall automatically renew for a period of one year, unless Contractor receives notice that the district elects not to renew the contract at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of renewal. Regardless, this contract expires no later than the last date stated on the final statement of award.

TERM OF CONTRACT – TERMINATION BY CONTRACTOR: Contractor may terminate this contract at the end of the initial term, or any renewal term, by providing the Procurement Officer notice of its election to terminate under this clause at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the then current term.

TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE: (1) Termination. The Procurement Officer may terminate this contract in whole or in part, for the convenience of the District. The Procurement Officer shall give written notice of the termination to the contractor specifying the part of the contract terminated and when termination becomes effective.

(2) Contractor's Obligations. The contractor shall incur no further obligations in connection with the terminated work and on the date set in the notice of termination the contractor will stop work to the extent specified. The contractor shall also terminate outstanding orders and subcontracts as they relate to the terminated work. The contractor shall settle the liabilities and claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts and orders connected with the terminated work. The Procurement Officer may direct the contractor to assign the contractor's right, title, and interest under terminated orders or subcontracts to the District. The contractor must still complete the work not terminated by the notice of termination and may incur obligations as are necessary to do so.

(3) Right to Supplies. The Procurement Officer may require the contractor to transfer title and deliver to the District in the manner and to the extent directed by the Procurement Officer: (a) any completed supplies; and (b) such partially completed supplies and materials, parts, tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, plans, drawings, information, and contract rights (hereinafter called "manufacturing material") as the contractor has specifically produced or specially acquired for the performance of the terminated part of this contract. The contractor shall, upon direction of the Procurement Officer, protect and preserve property in the possession of the contractor in which the District has an interest. If the Procurement Officer does not exercise this right, the contractor shall use best efforts to sell such supplies and manufacturing materials in accordance with the standards of Uniform Commercial Code Section 2-706. Utilization of this Section in no way implies that the District has breached the contract by exercise of the Termination for Convenience Clause.

(4) Compensation. (a) The contractor shall submit a termination claim specifying the amounts due because of the termination for convenience together with cost or pricing data required by Section 11-35-1830 bearing on such claim. If the contractor fails to file a termination claim within one year from the effective date of termination, the Procurement Officer may pay the contractor, if at all, an amount set in accordance with Subparagraph (c) of this Paragraph.

(b) The Procurement Officer and the contractor may agree to a settlement and that the settlement does not exceed the total contract price plus settlement costs reduced by payments previously made by the District, the proceeds of any sales of supplies and manufacturing materials under Paragraph (3) of this clause, and the contract price of the work not terminated;

(c) Absent complete agreement under Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, the Procurement Officer shall pay the contractor the following amounts, provided payments agreed to under Subparagraph (b) shall not duplicate payments under this Subparagraph:

(i) contract prices for supplies or services accepted under the contract;

(ii) costs reasonably incurred in performing the terminated portion of the work less amounts paid or to be paid for accepted supplies or services;

(iii) reasonable costs of settling and paying claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts or orders pursuant to Paragraph (2) of this clause. These costs must not include costs paid in accordance with Subparagraph (c)(ii) of this paragraph;

(iv) any other reasonable costs that have resulted from the termination. The total sum to be paid the contractor under this Subparagraph shall not exceed the total contract price plus the reasonable settlement costs of the contractor reduced by the amount of payments otherwise made, the proceeds of any sales of supplies and manufacturing materials under Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, and the contract price of work not terminated.

(d) Contractor must demonstrate any costs claimed, agreed to, or established under Subparagraphs (b) and (c) of this Paragraph using its standard record keeping system, provided such system is consistent with any applicable Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

(5) Contractor's failure to include an appropriate termination for convenience clause in any subcontract shall not (i) affect the District's right to require the termination of a subcontract, or (ii) increase the obligation of the District beyond what it would have been if the subcontract had contained an appropriate clause.

WARRANTY – STANDARD: Contractor must provide the manufacturer's standard written warranty upon delivery

of product. Contractor warrants that manufacturer will honor the standard written warranty provided.

VIII. BIDDING SCHEDULE

Vendor Name: _____

Lot A - Inspection and Certification of Kitchen Hoods

Location	Kitchen Hood Inspection & Certification - Price / Unit	Unit	TOTAL COST /Location (Hood + Fire)
Ballentine Elementary School	\$	1 each	\$
Center for Advanced Technical Studies	\$	1 each	\$
Chapin Elementary School	\$	1 each	\$
Chapin High School	\$	1 each	\$
Chapin Intermediate School	\$	1 each	\$
Chapin Middle School	\$	1 each	\$
Crossroads Intermediate School	\$	1 each	\$
Dutch Fork Elementary School	\$	1 each	\$
Dutch Fork High School (1 Kitchen Hood & 1 Kitchen Hood in Special Needs Classroom)	\$	2 each	\$
Dutch Fork Middle School	\$	1 each	\$
H.E. Corley Elementary School	\$	1 each	\$
Harbison West Elementary School	\$	1 each	\$
Irmo Elementary School	\$	6 each	\$
Irmo High School (1 Kitchen Hood & 5 Kitchen Hoods in Home Economic Classrooms)	\$	1 each	\$
Irmo Middle School	\$	1 each	\$
Lake Murray Elementary School	\$	1 each	\$
Leaphart Elementary School	\$	1 each	\$
Nursery Road Elementary School	\$	1 each	\$
Oak Pointe Elementary School	\$	1 each	\$
River Springs Elementary School	\$	1 each	\$
Piney Woods Elementary School	\$	1 each	\$
Seven Oaks Elementary School	\$	1 each	\$
Spring Hill High School (1 Kitchen Hood & 1 Kitchen Hood in Special Needs Classroom)	\$	2 each	\$
District Office Annex (Server Room Only)	N/A	1 each	\$

LOT A (continued)

LOT A: AWARD CRITERIA

Line 1	INSPECTION & CERTIFICATION - TOTAL COST	
	(Hood & Fire at all Locations)	\$ _____
Line 2	LABOR - <u>Regular</u> - Maintenance / Repair	
	Unit Price \$ _____ PER HOUR	Regular Hourly Rate x 50 Hours \$ _____
Line 3	LABOR - <u>Overtime</u> - Maintenance / Repair	
	Unit Price \$ _____ PER HOUR	Overtime Hourly Rate x 25 Hours \$ _____

GRAND TOTAL (BASIS OF AWARD)

(Line 1 + Line 2 + Line 3) \$ _____

Percentage of Mark-Up - Supplies and Material _____ %

Question- LOT A	Response
Are you requesting the SC Resident Contractor Preference? See the SC Procurement Code, Section 11-35-1524(C) (1) (III) and Section IIB of this Solicitation for more Information. For a FAQ on these Preferences, Please See www.procurement.SC.Gov/preferences	<p>_____ Yes _____ No</p> <p><u>If Yes, indicate which Line #(s):</u></p> <p>_____1 _____2 _____3</p>
Are you requesting the SC Resident Subcontractor Preference-2%? See the SC Procurement Code, Section 11-35-1524(D) and IIB & VIIB of this solicitation for more information. For a FAQ on these preferences, please see www.procurement.sc.gov/preferences	<p>_____ Yes _____ No</p> <p><u>If Yes, indicate which Line #(s):</u></p> <p>_____1 _____2 _____3</p>
Are you requesting the SC Resident Subcontractor Preference-4%? See the SC Procurement Code, Section 11-35-1524(D) and IIB & VIIB of this solicitation for more information. For a FAQ on these preferences, please see www.procurement.sc.gov/preferences	<p>_____ Yes _____ No</p> <p><u>If Yes, indicate which Line #(s):</u></p> <p>_____1 _____2 _____3</p>

Signature of Authorized Official: _____

Print name and Title: _____

Lot B - Inspection & Certification and Five-Year Inspection of Sprinkler Fire Suppression and Backflow Preventer Valve Systems

Location	Sprinkler Fire Suppression Systems/Backflow Preventor Assemblies Inspection & Certification <u>Price / Location</u>	Sprinkler Fire Suppression Systems/Backflow Preventor Assemblies Five-Year Inspection <u>Price / Location</u>	TOTAL COST /Location
Ballentine Elementary School	\$	\$	\$
Center for Advanced Technical Studies	\$	\$	\$
Chapin Elementary School	\$	\$	\$
Chapin High School	\$	\$	\$
Chapin Intermediate School	\$	\$	\$
Chapin Middle School	\$	\$	\$
Crossroads Intermediate School	\$	N/A	\$
Dutch Fork Elementary School	\$	N/A	\$
Dutch Fork High School (1 Kitchen Hood & 1 Kitchen Hood in Special Needs Classroom)	\$	\$	\$
Dutch Fork Middle School	\$	N/A	\$
H.E. Corley Elementary School	\$	N/A	\$
Harbison West Elementary School	\$	N/A	\$
Irmo Elementary School	\$	\$	\$
Irmo High School (1 Kitchen Hood & 5 Kitchen Hoods in Home Economic Classrooms)	\$	\$	\$
Irmo Middle School	\$	\$	\$
Lake Murray Elementary School	\$	N/A	\$
Leaphart Elementary School	\$	\$	\$
Nursery Road Elementary School	\$	N/A	\$
Oak Pointe Elementary School	\$	\$	\$
River Springs Elementary School	\$	N/A	\$
Piney Woods Elementary School	\$	\$	\$
Seven Oaks Elementary School	\$	\$	\$
Spring Hill High School (1 Kitchen Hood & 1 Kitchen Hood in Special Needs Classroom)	\$	\$	\$
District Office Annex (Server Room Only)	N/A	\$	\$

LOT B (continued)

LOT B: AWARD CRITERIA

Line 1	INSPECTION & CERTIFICATION and FIVE YEAR INSPECTION TOTAL COST		
	(Hood & Fire at all Locations)	\$	
Line 2	LABOR - <u>Regular</u> - Maintenance / Repair		
	Unit Price \$	PER HOUR	Regular Hourly Rate x 50 Hours \$
Line 3	LABOR - <u>Overtime</u> - Maintenance / Repair		
	Unit Price \$	PER HOUR	Overtime Hourly Rate x 25 Hours \$

GRAND TOTAL (BASIS OF AWARD)

(Line 1 + Line 2 + Line 3) \$

Question- LOT B	Response
<p>Are you requesting the SC Resident Contractor Preference? See the SC Procurement Code, Section 11-35-1524(C) (1) (III) and Section IIB of this Solicitation for more Information. For a FAQ on these Preferences, Please See www.procurement.SC.Gov/preferences</p>	<p> ☐ Yes ☐ No <u>If Yes, indicate which Line #(s):</u> ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 </p>
<p>Are you requesting the SC Resident Subcontractor Preference-2%? See the SC Procurement Code, Section 11-35-1524(D) and IIB & VIIB of this solicitation for more information. For a FAQ on these preferences, please see www.procurement.sc.gov/preferences</p>	<p> ☐ Yes ☐ No <u>If Yes, indicate which Line #(s):</u> ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 </p>
<p>Are you requesting the SC Resident Subcontractor Preference-4%? See the SC Procurement Code, Section 11-35-1524(D) and IIB & VIIB of this solicitation for more information. For a FAQ on these preferences, please see www.procurement.sc.gov/preferences</p>	<p> ☐ Yes ☐ No <u>If Yes, indicate which Line #(s):</u> ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 </p>

Signature of Authorized Official:

Print name and Title:

Lot C - Fire Extinguishers

The quantity of fire extinguishers shown on the bid schedule are an estimate. These quantities will be used as the basis of the award. The successful contractor shall take an inventory of fire extinguishers by school/office location and document the type and size of the fire extinguishers during the first inspection and service. The contractor shall provide a copy of the inventory report to the Facilities Department.

Description	Inspection & Certification Price	Recharge Price	Hydrostat Price	TOTAL for <u>All Services</u>	Estimated Quantity (for bid evaluation purposes)	Total Price (Total for <u>All Services</u> X Quantity)
5 lb. ABC Extinguisher	\$	\$	\$	\$	200	\$
10 lb. ABC Extinguisher	\$	\$	\$	\$	850	\$
15 lb. Co2 Extinguisher	\$	\$	\$	\$	175	\$
20 lb. ABC Extinguisher	\$	\$	\$	\$	10	\$
FM 200 Clean-Agent Fire Suppression System Size: 43.83kg	\$	\$	\$	\$	2	\$
K-class Extinguisher Size: 6-liter	\$	\$	\$	\$	30	\$

Subtotal Cost \$ _____

LOT C: AWARD CRITERIA

Line 1	FIRE EXTINGUISHERS SERVICES	
	(Hood & Fire at all Locations)	\$ _____
Line 2	LABOR - <u>Regular</u> - Maintenance / Repair	
	Unit Price \$ _____ PER HOUR	Regular Hourly Rate x 10 Hours \$ _____
Line 3	LABOR - <u>Overtime</u> - Maintenance / Repair	
	Unit Price \$ _____ PER HOUR	Overtime Hourly Rate x 5 Hours \$ _____

GRAND TOTAL (BASIS OF AWARD)

(Line 1 + Line 2 + Line 3) \$ _____

LOT C (continued)

Question- LOT C	Response
Are you requesting the SC Resident Contractor Preference? See the SC Procurement Code, Section 11-35-1524(C) (1) (III) and Section IIB of this Solicitation for more Information. For a FAQ on these Preferences, Please See www.procurement.SC.Gov/preferences	☐ Yes ☐ No <u>If Yes, indicate which Line #(s):</u> ____1 ____2 ____3
Are you requesting the SC Resident Subcontractor Preference-2%? See the SC Procurement Code, Section 11-35-1524(D) and IIB & VIIB of this solicitation for more information. For a FAQ on these preferences, please see www.procurement.sc.gov/preferences	☐ Yes ☐ No <u>If Yes, indicate which Line #(s):</u> ____1 ____2 ____3
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Signature of Authorized Official: _____**Print name and Title:** _____

ATTACHMENTS TO SOLICITATION

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

The following documents are attached to this solicitation:

- A. References
- B. Offeror's Checklist
- C. School and Office Locations
- D. Wet / Dry Systems - Quantities and Locations

ATTACHMENT A

REFERENCES

Instructions: Provide three references of customers that you have provided similar services as is described in this solicitation. The list of References shall be completed in its entirety and submitted with the bid response.

Company/School Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Type of Service: _____

Company/School Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Type of Service: _____

Company/School Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Type of Service: _____

ATTACHMENT B

Offeror's Checklist

OFFEROR'S CHECKLIST

AVOID COMMON BID/PROPOSAL MISTAKES

Review this checklist prior to submitting your bid/proposal.

If you fail to follow this checklist, you risk having your bid/proposal rejected.

- ✓ COMPLETED & SIGNED ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS.
- ✓ DO NOT INCLUDE ANY OF YOUR STANDARD CONTRACT FORMS!
- ✓ UNLESS EXPRESSLY REQUIRED, DO NOT INCLUDE ANY ADDITIONAL BOILERPLATE CONTRACT CLAUSES!
- ✓ REREAD YOUR ENTIRE BID/PROPOSAL TO MAKE SURE YOUR BID/PROPOSAL DOES NOT TAKE EXCEPTION TO ANY OF THE DISTRICT'S MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS!
- ✓ MAKE SURE YOU HAVE PROPERLY MARKED ALL PROTECTED, CONFIDENTIAL OR TRADE SECRET INFORMATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS: "SUBMITTING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION." DO NOT MARK YOUR ENTIRE RESPONSE AS CONFIDENTIAL, TRADE SECRET OR PROTECTED! DO NOT INCLUDE A LEGEND ON THE COVER STATING THAT YOUR ENTIRE RESPONSE IS NOT TO BE RELEASED!
- ✓ HAVE YOU PROPERLY ACKNOWLEDGED ALL AMENDMENTS? INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING HOW TO ACKNOWLEDGE AN AMENDMENT SHOULD APPEAR IN ALL AMENDMENTS ISSUED.
- ✓ MAKE SURE THAT YOUR BID/PROPOSAL INCLUDES A COPY OF THE SOLICITATION COVER PAGE. MAKE SURE THE COVER PAGE IS SIGNED BY A PERSON THAT IS AUTHORIZED TO CONTRACTUALLY BIND YOUR BUSINESS.
- ✓ MAKE SURE YOUR BID/PROPOSAL INCLUDES THE NUMBER OF COPIES REQUESTED.
- ✓ CHECK TO ENSURE YOUR OFFER INCLUDES EVERYTHING REQUESTED!
- ✓ IF YOU HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THE SOLICITATION, DO NOT RAISE THOSE CONCERNS IN YOUR RESPONSE! **AFTER OPENING, IT IS TOO LATE! IF THIS SOLICITATION INCLUDES A QUESTION & ANSWER PERIOD OR A PRE-SOLICITATION CONFERENCE, RAISE YOUR QUESTIONS AS PART OF THAT PROCESS!** PLEASE SEE INSTRUCTIONS UNDER THE HEADING "SUBMISSION OF QUESTIONS" AND ANY PROVISIONS REGARDING PRE-BID/PROPOSAL CONFERENCES.

This checklist is included only as a reminder to help offerors avoid common mistakes. Responsiveness will be evaluated against the solicitation, not against this checklist. You do not need to return this checklist with your offer.

SUBMIT WITH OFFER:

1. Cover Page
2. Page 2
3. Bid Schedule
4. Reference Sheet (Attachment A)
5. Completed W-9
6. Certificate of Insurance (COI)
7. Copy of License(s)
8. Statement of Confirmation (refer to *V. QUALIFICATIONS-REQUIRED INFORMATION*)

ATTACHMENT C

SCHOOL AND OFFICE LOCATIONS KITCHEN HOOD AND SPRINKLER FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEMS

Location	Kitchen Hood Fire Suppression	Sprinkler Fire Suppression System
Ballentine Elementary School 1040 Bickley Road Irmo, SC 29063	Yes	Yes
Center for Adv. Tech Studies 916 Mount Vernon Church Rd Chapin, SC 29036	Yes	Yes
Chapin Elementary School 940 Old Bush River Road Chapin, SC 29036	Yes	Kindergarten Wing Only
Chapin High School 200 Columbia Ave. Chapin, SC 29036	Yes	Yes
Chapin Intermediate School 1130 Old Lexington Highway Chapin, SC 29036	Yes	Yes
Chapin Middle School 1161 Broad River Road Chapin, SC 29036	Yes	Yes
CrossRoads Intermediate 6949 St. Andrews Road Columbia, SC 29212	Yes	No
Dutch Fork Elementary School 7900 Broad River Road Irmo, SC 29063	Yes	No
Dutch Fork High School 1400 Old Tamah Road Irmo, SC 29063	Yes (2 Total) 1 Kitchen Hood & 1 Kitchen Hood in Special Needs Classroom	Science Building Only
Dutch Fork Middle School 1528 Old Tamah Road Irmo, SC 29063	Yes	No
H.E. Corley Elementary School 1500 Chadford Road Irmo, SC 29063	Yes	No
Harbison West Elementary School 257 Crossbow Drive Columbia, SC 29212	Yes	No

Irmo Elementary School 7401 Gibbes Street Irmo, SC 29063	Yes	Yes
Irmo High School 6671 St. Andrews Road Columbia, SC 29212	Yes (6 total) 1 Kitchen Hood and 5 Kitchen Hoods in Home Economic Classrooms	Athletics and Fine Arts Buildings Only
Irmo Middle School 6051 Westcott Road Columbia, SC 29063	Yes	Yes, Exterior area Breezeway under main building
Lake Murray Elementary School 1531 Three Dog Road Chapin, SC 29036	Yes	No
Leaphart Elementary School 120 Piney Grove Road Columbia, SC 29210	Yes	Yes
Nursery Road Elementary School 6706 Nursery Road Columbia, SC 29212	Yes	No
Oak Pointe Elementary School 1 River Bottom Road Irmo, SC 29063	Yes	Yes
River Springs Elementary School 115 Connie Wright Road Irmo, SC 29063	Yes	No
Piney Wood Elementary School 814 Amicks Ferry Rd. Chapin, SC 29036	Yes	Yes
Seven Oaks Elementary School 2800 Ashland Road Columbia, SC 29210	Yes	Yes
Spring Hill High School 11629 Broad River Road Chapin, SC 29036	Yes (2 Total) 1 Kitchen Hood & 1 Kitchen Hood in Special Needs Classroom	Yes
District Administration Office & Annex Office 1020 Dutch Fork Road Irmo, SC 29063	No	Annex Office Only

ATTACHMENT D

WET SYSTEMS	DRY SYSTEMS
BES – 1	CATE – 1
CATE – 3	IES – 1
CHS – 13	IMS – 2
DFHS – 5	SOES – 3
IES – 3	SHHS – 1
IHS – 5	
IMS – 8	
LES – 8	
OPES – 3	
SOES – 2	
SHHS – 4	
PWES – 3	
LCSD5 ADMIN - 1	