LOUISIANA PREFERENCE

NOTE TO BIDDER: In order for preference to be considered, bidder **MUST** complete this document in its entirety and provide it prior to bid opening. Preference submitted on any other document or after the bid opening will not be considered.

PREFERENCE OF PRODUCTS PRODUCED, MANUFACTURED, OR ASSEMBLED IN LOUISIANA

In accordance with the provisions of Louisiana R.S. 39:1604(H) & (I), each procurement officer, purchasing agent, or similar official who procures or purchases materials, supplies, products, provisions, or equipment under the provision of this Chapter may purchase such materials, supplies, products, provisions, or equipment which are produced, manufactured or assembled in Louisiana, as defined below, and which are equal in quality to other materials, supplies, products, provisions, or equipment, provided that all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The cost of such items does not exceed the cost of other items which are manufactured, processed, produced, or assembled outside the state by more than ten percent.
(2) The vendor of such Louisiana items agrees to sell the items at the same price as the lowest bid offered on such items.
(3) In cases where more than one bidder offers Louisiana items which are within ten percent of the lowest bid, the bidder offering the lowest bid on Louisiana items is entitled to accept the price of the lowest bid made on such items.

Louisiana preference shall apply only to bidders whose Louisiana workforce is comprised of a minimum of fifty percent Louisiana residents.

For the purposes of this preference, in accordance with R.S. 38:2251(A) the following definitions shall apply:

(1) "Assembled" means the process of putting together all component parts of an item of equipment by the manufacturer when the assembly plant is located within the territorial boarders of the state of Louisiana. "Assembled shall not mean the process of reassembling parts packed for shipping purposes.
(2) "Louisiana products" means products which are manufactured, processed, produced or assembled in Louisiana.
(3) "Manufactured" means the process of making a product suitable for use from raw materials by hand or by machinery. "Manufactured" shall not mean the process of assembling component parts.
(4) "Processed" means the alteration of any raw product altered from its original state to enhance its value or render it suitable for further refinement or marketing.
(5) "Produced" means the process of manufacturing, planting cultivating, growing, or harvesting.

Please mark the appropriate space and/or enter the following information as applicable.

Do you claim the ten percent (10%) Louisiana preference? **YES:** ☐ **NO:** ☐

If you answered <u>NO</u> to the above question, no further information is required.
If you answered <u>YES</u> to the above question, the following information must be supplied.

Does your company's workforce consist of a minimum of 50% Louisiana residents?

YES: ☐ **NO:** ☐

Specify the line item(s) you are claiming preference on by either marking the ALL box if it applies to all line items or list the Line Item Number(s) if it only applies to a specific line item(s).

ALL: ☐ **/ ITEM NUMBER(S):** _____

Specify the location(s) within Louisiana where the product(s) is produced, manufactured, or assembled.

LOCATION: _____