



Bidder:

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**BID DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS FOR STATE PROCUREMENT:**

BIDS MAY BE SUBMITTED ONLINE BY ACCESSING THE LINK ON PAGE ONE (1) OF THE INVITATION TO BID.

**NOTE:** Bidders who choose to respond to this bid online via the vendor portal are encouraged to not submit a written bid as well.

Bidders are hereby advised that due to the nature of the internet, the State of Louisiana cannot guarantee that access to the LaGov or LaPAC websites will be uninterrupted or that e-mails or other electronic transmissions will be sent to you or received by us. The Office of State Procurement is not responsible for any delays caused by the bidder's chosen means of online bid delivery. Bidder is solely responsible for the timely delivery of its bid. Failure to meet the bid opening date and time shall result in rejection of the bid.

**OR**

Bids may be mailed or delivered by hand or courier service to our physical location as follows:

Office of State Procurement  
Claiborne Building, Suite 2-160  
1201 North Third Street  
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Bidder should be aware of security requirements for the Claiborne building and allow time to be photographed and presented with a temporary identification badge.

Bidder is solely responsible for ensuring that its courier service provider makes inside deliveries to our physical location. The Office of State Procurement is not responsible for any delays caused by the bidder's chosen means of bid delivery. Bidder is solely responsible for the timely delivery of its bid. Failure to meet the bid opening date & time shall result in rejection of the bid.

**\*\*ATTENTION\*\***

Receipt of a solicitation or award cannot be relied upon as an assurance of receiving future solicitations. In order to receive notifications of future solicitations from this office, you must register and enroll in the proper category in LaGov at the following website:

[https://lagovervendor.doa.louisiana.gov/irj/portal/anonymous?guest\\_user=self\\_reg](https://lagovervendor.doa.louisiana.gov/irj/portal/anonymous?guest_user=self_reg)

Enrollment in LaGov provides LaPAC email notification of bid opportunities based upon commodities that you select.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

This solicitation contains all the terms and conditions with respect to the commodities herein. Any vendor contracts, forms, terms or other materials submitted with bid may cause bid to be rejected.

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**VENDOR'S FORMS:**

The purchase order is the only binding document to be issued against this contract. Signing of vendor's forms is not allowed.

**ACCEPTANCE:**

Unless otherwise specified, bids on this contract will be assumed to be firm for acceptance for a minimum of sixty (60) days. If accepted, prices must be firm for the specified contract period.

**INVOICES:**

Invoices will be submitted by the contractor to the using agency, and the invoice shall refer to the delivery ticket number, delivery date, purchase order number, quantity, unit price, and delivery point. A separate invoice for each order delivered and accepted shall be submitted by the contractor in duplicate directly to the accounting department of the using agency. Invoices shall show the amount of any cash discount, and shall be submitted on the contractor's own invoice form.

**PAYMENT:**

Payment will be made on the basis of unit price as listed in this contract; such price and payment will constitute full compensation for furnishing and delivering the contract commodities. In no case will the state agency refuse to make partial payments to the contractor although all items have not been delivered. This payment in no way relieves the contractor of his responsibility to effect shipment of the balance of the order. Payment will be made to vendor and address as shown on order.

**PREFERENCE:**

In accordance with Louisiana Revised Statutes 39:1604, a preference not to exceed ten percent (10%) may be allowed for products manufactured, produced, grown, or assembled in Louisiana of equal quality.

Do you claim this preference? Yes: \_\_\_\_\_

Specify Line Number(s):

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Specify location within Louisiana where this product is manufactured, produced, grown or assembled:

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(Note: If more space is required, include on a separate sheet)

Do you have a Louisiana business workforce? Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

If so, do you certify that at least fifty percent (50%) of your Louisiana business workforce is comprised of

Louisiana residents? Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

Failure to specify above information may cause elimination from preferences. Preferences shall not apply to service contracts.

**PROCUREMENT OF UNITED STATES PRODUCTS:**

In accordance with the provisions of Louisiana Revised Statutes 39:1604.7, in the event a contract is not entered into for products purchased under the provisions of La. R.S. 39: 1604, each Procurement Officer, Purchasing Agent, or similar

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official who procures or purchases materials, supplies, products, provisions, or equipment under the provisions of this Chapter may purchase such materials, supplies, products, provisions, or equipment which are manufactured in the United States, and which are equal 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 outside the United States by more than five percent (5%).
- (2) The vendor of such 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 items manufactured in the United States which are within five percent (5%) of the lowest bid, the bidder offering the lowest bid on such items is entitled to accept the price of the lowest bid made on such items.
- (4) The vendor certifies that such items are manufactured in the United States.

For the purposes of this preference,

- (1) “Manufactured in the United States” means produced by a process in which the manufacturing, final assembly, processing, packaging, testing, and any other process that adds value, quality, or reliability to assembled articles, materials, or supplies, occur in the United States.
- (2) “United States” means the United States and any place subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

Do you claim this preference? Yes: \_\_\_\_\_

Specify Line Number(s):

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Specify location within the United States where this product is manufactured:

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**ELECTRONIC VENDOR PAYMENT SOLUTION:**

In an effort to increase efficiencies and effectiveness as well as be strategic in utilizing technology and resources for the State and vendors, the State intends to make all payments to vendors electronically. The LaCarte procurement card will be used for purchases of \$5,000 and under, and where feasible, over \$5,000. Vendors will have a choice of receiving electronic payment for all other payments by selecting the Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). If you receive an award and do not currently accept the LaCarte card or have not already enrolled in EFT, you will be asked to comply with this request by choosing one of the following two options. You may indicate your acceptance below.

The **LaCarte** Procurement Card uses a Visa card platform. Contractors receive payment from state agencies using the card in the same manner as other Visa card purchases. Contractors cannot process payment transactions through the credit card clearinghouse until the purchased products have been shipped or received or the services performed.

For all statewide and agency term contracts:

- Under the LaCarte program, purchase orders are not necessary. Orders must be placed against the net discounted products of the contract. All contract terms and conditions apply to purchases made with LaCarte.

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• If a purchase order is not used, the Contractor must keep on file a record of all LaCarte purchases issued against this contract during the contract period. The file must contain the particular item number, quantity, line total and order total. Records of these purchases must be provided to the Office of State Procurement on request.

EFT payments are sent from the State’s bank directly to the payee’s bank each weekday. The only requirement is that you have an active checking or savings account at a financial institution that can accept Automated Clearing House (ACH) credit files and remittance information electronically. Additional information and an enrollment form is available by contacting the Office of Statewide Reporting & Accounting at [DOA-OSRAP-EFT@la.gov](mailto:DOA-OSRAP-EFT@la.gov).

To facilitate this payment process, you will need to complete and return the EFT enrollment form.

If an award is made to your company, please check which option you will accept or indicate if you are already enrolled.

<u>Payment Type</u>	<u>Will Accept</u>	<u>Already Enrolled</u>
LaCarte	_____	_____
EFT	_____	_____

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Individual Authorized

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature for payment type chosen

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email address and phone number of authorized individual

**CONTRACT PERIOD**

This contract shall be effective for the period beginning Date of Award and ending June 30, 2023.

**ESTIMATED QUANTITY:**

The listed quantities are estimated to be the amount needed. In the event a greater or lesser quantity is needed, the right is reserved by the state of Louisiana to increase or decrease the amount, at the unit price and terms stated in the bid.

**RENEWAL OPTION:**

At the option of the state of Louisiana and acceptance by the contractor, this contract may be extended for two (2) additional twelve (12) month periods.

**FREIGHT INCLUDED:**

Unit price should be inclusive of any freight charges. Bid should be FOB agency - title passing upon receipt of goods.

Failure to comply with this requirement may disqualify your bid.

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**ALL OR NONE AWARD:**

Award to be made on an all-or none basis to the overall low bidder meeting the specifications. The State of Louisiana reserves the right to reject individual line items from the award.

**PROPRIETARY:**

In accordance with LA. R.S. 39:1655, this bid has been approved as proprietary and only the brand(s) numbers(s) specified will be considered for award.

**SUFFICIENT INFORMATION:**

Sufficient information should be enclosed with the bid in order to determine quality, suitability, and compliance with the specifications.

**\*\*\* FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS REQUEST MAY ELIMINATE YOUR BID FROM CONSIDERATION.**

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Any questions, please contact buyer at the Office of State Procurement immediately.

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